

Media Release

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COMMUNITY TO HAVE SAY ON HOUSING PLAN IN MELBOURNE'S WEST

The Allan Labor Government has commenced planning work to transform a former industrial area in Melbourne's west into a bustling community with more housing, jobs and services.

The Albion Quarter is a key area in the Sunshine Precinct, which has been identified in the Labor Government's *Housing Statement* as a priority precinct for development into affordable housing and jobs close to public transport.

The area includes the upgraded Albion Station extending to the four quarters either side of the railway station and north of Ballarat Road, and within the suburbs of Albion, Sunshine North and Sunshine.

The Government has commenced work on a Structure Plan that will identify local infrastructure needed to improve the amenity and accessibility of the area and make it an attractive place for investment and liveability.

With Albion Station to be connected to the Metro Tunnel, the current and future Albion community will benefit from improved access, connectivity, and frequency of services when it opens in 2025.

People can find out more about the future of the Albion Quarter and have their say at community engagement pop-ups:

- Victoria University, Sunshine Campus, Wednesday 12 June 2024, 11am-1pm
- Albion Station, Tuesday 23 July 2024, 7am-9am

For more information about the project, to sign up for updates, or to complete an online survey (open until Sunday 28 July 2024) visit engage.vic.gov.au/sunshine.

Quote attributable to Minister for Precincts Colin Brooks

"Planning is underway to transform the Albion Quarter into an area where people can live close to where they work, and we are calling on the local community and industry to have their say."

Quote attributable to Member for St Albans Natalie Suleyman

"With great connections to Sunshine Hospital, Joan Kirner Women's and Children's Hospital, transport and education, our area holds significant opportunities for more housing and jobs. Now you can have your say on our future."

Quote attributable to Member for Laverton Sarah Connolly

"We're transforming a former industrial area into a bustling community with more housing, jobs and services – the Albion Quarter will be a magnet for investment."

Quote attributable to Member for Western Metropolitan Region Ingrid Stitt

"Thanks to our record investments in infrastructure the west is booming, with even better transport connections on the way for Albion when the new Metro Tunnel opens, making it a perfect location for more jobs and housing."

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