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JDAP Approval for SwanCare's Leisure Precinct Development

Today's Metropolitan Central Joint Development Assessment Panel (JDAP) approval for the proposed Leisure Precinct at SwanCare Bentley Park propels SwanCare into the next stages of development and marks a new era for the retirement living and aged care provider.

The proposed new development, with an estimated value of up to \$18 million, focuses on a two-story leisure centre incorporating a library, gymnasium, indoor heated pool, fitness centre, club room and resident lounge, and multi-functional rooms.

Complementing the leisure centre will be a separate community pavilion, sound and light gardens and improved walkways.

The redeveloped landscaped areas will provide for improved pedestrian linkages and facilitate comfortable, safe universal access to resident amenities.

A three-level car park, a refurbishment of parts of the Mavis Cleaver Court building and reconfigured resident car parking areas will also add to the leisure precinct.

SwanCare CEO Graham Francis said the unique attributes of the Bentley Park site afforded the distinctive redevelopment which will be key to SwanCare's market position in the competitive retirement living market.

"With this development, SwanCare Bentley Park offers a real point of difference, putting us at the forefront of options for potential residents seeking a modern retirement lifestyle."

"Our aim with this development is to cohesively draw activities together, improving access and connectivity, and furthering the strong and distinctive community heart of Bentley Park," he continued.

The combination of key Bentley Park site elements – WA's largest single site of its kind and proximity to both the city and a range of services – makes SwanCare Bentley Park unique and suitable for this large scale integrated leisure precinct.

Driven by the ideas of community, activity and sustainability, the development acknowledges the importance of the balance between the individual in the community and the provision of spaces to share with fellow residents, family and friends.

The JDAP approval is significant, allowing SwanCare to move forward with the tender process before proceeding to construction, which is likely to

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begin in June 2019 and anticipated to be staged over a period of up to two years.

“SwanCare has existed on this site for more than 55 years. Our resident’s needs are varied and have changed significantly over this time period and we are conscious of continuing to evolve and to provide for the modern retiree,” said Mr Francis.

The Leisure Centre Precinct development is a portion of the “Bentley Park 2035” Master Plan and will occur concurrently with another key SwanCare Bentley Park expansion - the construction of a new 124-suite residential care facility.

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About SwanCare

SwanCare has been caring for seniors in Western Australia for over 56 years since the not-for-profit organisation was established in the early 1960’s as Swan Cottage Homes.

SwanCare operates WA’s largest retirement and aged care site, Bentley Park, with over 1,000 residents, three aged care facilities and the SwanCare At Home service.

SwanCare also operates the boutique Australind Rise retirement village in the South West.

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