

Riverwood Renewal

Community Update



MARCH 2021

Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) is renewing Riverwood estate to create a safe, active and healthy community with a mix of modern private and social homes and connected open spaces.

Over the last two years, LAHC has been working to refine our renewal plans in response to community feedback.

The revised plans reduce the height of buildings and the total number of dwellings but retains the open and community spaces in the original plans.

This newsletter provides an overview of what's changed, what's stayed the same, who you can contact for more information, and when you can expect to see and comment on the plans.

Important information for tenants

The Riverwood Renewal will be staged over the next 15 to 20 years so that impacts on residents are reduced.

LAHC is targeting no loss of social housing. All social housing residents will have the option to return to the redeveloped Riverwood if a suitable property is available. It is anticipated that some residents will be able to move directly from their old home to a newly built home at Riverwood.

A small number of social housing residents will need to temporarily relocate into nearby areas. Once the master plan is approved, we will know more about the timing of the project and when residents will need to temporarily relocate. Residents will be provided at least 6 months' notice and be assisted by the Department of Communities and Justice.

The Riverwood Renewal aims to provide:



Welcoming community spaces that support people to connect with others



A variety of open and outdoor spaces



A safe neighbourhood where it is enjoyable to walk, play and relax



Improved paths to the school, reserve and nearby neighbourhoods



A range of modern, quality homes that suit different lifestyles

What we heard

During our consultation in 2017, members of the community told us they would like to see:



Lower buildings



A range of homes to encourage families to the area



Parks, green spaces and community gardens in the design



Connected bike and walking paths and improved streets



Playgrounds for a range of ages

What's changed

Reflecting this feedback, the plans have been revised to:

- Reduce the number of homes by almost half to approximately **3,900**
- Reduce heights to a maximum of **12 storeys**

What's stayed the same?

The plans still include:

- A mix of social and private housing
- A range of apartments and terrace homes for singles, couples and families
- Over 5 hectares of open space
- Improved bike and walking paths
- Wider streets and roads to allow cars, buses, pedestrians and cyclists to move about safely

Next steps



Drop in and ask your questions



Saturday 20 March
11.00am - 1.00pm
The park located next to the Riverwood Community Centre



Tuesday 23 March
2.30pm - 4.30pm
Riverwood Public School

Find out more at

www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/riverwoodrenewal or contact RiverwoodRenewal@facs.nsw.gov.au.

Tenant enquiries: 1800 422 322