

# The AVID commitment to you and our environment

We understand that moving to an AVID Property Group (AVID) address means more than having beautiful surroundings. It's also about peace-of mind, knowing that your new home and community have been created with the wellbeing of future generations and the environment in mind. That's why we work together with designers, planners, builders and, of course, our residents to be as environmentally sustainable as possible and create places we can all be proud of.

EnviroDevelopment certification is Australia's leading independent environmental accreditation program for new property developments around Australia.

Established by the Urban Development Institute of Australia, their assessment recognises outstanding performance in key sustainability categories.

Multiple AVID communities have achieved
EnviroDevelopment accreditation, ensuring we have met the standards across Ecosystems, Waste, Water, Materials, Energy and Community categories.

When you choose an AVID community you can expect to live in an address that has been designed and delivered sensitive to the natural environment.

For more information visit envirodevelopmentliving.com.au

# ECOSYSTEMS



WASTE



WATER



AVID strives to protect existing ecosystems, encourage biodiversity, and rehabilitate degraded sites. Waterwise plants are used throughout our landscaping to minimise water-use and create a natural habitat for native wildlife.

We work hard across every aspect of our building and delivery to ensure good management of waste, from recycling of construction material to minimising on-site pollution and promoting initiatives to reduce waste to landfill. We implement measures throughout our communities to reduce reliance on potable water, including using waterwise plants in landscaping, and recycling wastewater for irrigation of parks, streetscapes and gardens.

#### **Creating for you:**

- Cooler streets, parks and community areas through healthy trees and plants
- More opportunities to see, hear and enjoy natural fauna and flora
- Enhanced visual appeal of streets and spaces with lush plantings and greener outlooks
- A more tranquil natural environment for greater wellbeing

#### **Creating for you:**

- Construction processes that have a focus on reducing waste
- Cleaner sites during construction and finishing stages
- Greater value by reducing waste management and landfill fees
- Efficient options for recycling, composting and reducing waste
- The satisfaction of helping to reduce waste sent to landfill

#### **Creating for you:**

- Home Design Guidelines\* with the potential to deliver savings on household water bills
- Greener surroundings all year round, with lower reliance on valuable potable water
- Civil works that promote healthy, efficient gardening and irrigation
- Drought tolerant plants included in landscaping of shared areas

# Join with us:

- Choose native, climate-appropriate plants for your home
- Plant local shade tree species in your yard – especially ones that provide food and nectar
- Install nesting boxes to encourage native birds
- Keep an eye out for invasive weeds and be mindful of garden plants that may be toxic or 'escape' and become wild

#### Join with us:

- Recycle and up-cycle at home
- Try composting options including worms, bokashi and compost bins
- Minimise the use of plastics and non-recyclables or swap them for environmentally friendlier alternatives
- Choose durable, hard-wearing items that will last
- Donate quality clothing and household goods you no longer need to charity

#### Join with us:

- Choose water-efficient fittings in your home and garden
- Collect clean household water and rainwater for use around the garden
- Fix leaking or dripping taps quickly to prevent water wastage
- Attach rain or moisture sensors to automatic irrigation systems to avoid them coming on when it's already wet







ENERGY



COMMUNITY



We carefully consider and encourage the use of local, recycled and re-used building materials, and low-emission products whenever we can, to minimise our environmental impact and foster healthier living.

Across everything we do, we seek out ways to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emission and meet EnviroDevelopment benchmarks. Not only does this help the environment, but also lower utility costs.

Through thoughtful masterplan design and engaging community initiatives and programs, we create neighbourhoods that bring people together and we turn these neighbourhoods into thriving connected communities.

### Creating for you:

- Peace-of-mind that materials used are environmentally sustainable, and have a low carbon footprint and/or eco-impact
- Healthier and safer living environments by encouraging the use of low-emission, low-toxicity, and/or low-allergen building products, adhesives and finishes
- Stronger local economies by supporting regional businesses

#### Creating for you:

- Home Design Guidelines\* that ensure less energy is used and therefore provide greater savings on utility bills
- Block orientations that help optimise sunlight and airflow
- Opportunities for naturally warmer homes in winter and cooler homes in summer, meaning less reliance on artificial climate control and greater comfort and wellbeing for you

#### **Creating for you:**

- Neighbourhoods that are safe, enjoyable, attractive and welcoming
- Parks and facilities that encourage healthy, active living and relaxed social interaction
- · Connections between neighbours
- Easy access to local facilities, shops, transport and services
- Opportunities to meet with a diverse range of people

# Join with us:

- Chat with your builder about using recycled materials, low-toxic and low-allergen products, and choosing products with minimal or recyclable packaging
- Ensure waste packaging is recycled or returned to the supplier where possible
- Look for recycled furniture
- · Support local businesses

#### Join with us:

- Install ceiling fans and window shutters for natural cooling
- Consider the effect of shade and light on windows and walls when choosing home and garden designs
- Choose cold wash or 'eco' option on your washing machine
- Switch appliances off at the wall
- Look at solar energy to power your home and hot water service

# Join with us:

- Set up or join community interest, recreation or social groups
- Take part in local events and support local sports teams
- Get involved with local arts or cultural organisations
- Shop locally and support businesses from around the region
- · Get to know your neighbours

\*Design Guidelines not applicable at Amara's completed home designs.

Note: Our complete home solutions built by Villaworld Homes meet all other EnviroDevelopment criteria.



# Our accredited communities

#### Queensland

Amara, QLD



Our first community offering complete home solutions built by Villaworld Homes to achieve full accreditation.

Brentwood Forest, QLD

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Covella, QLD Harmony, QLD

**New South Wales** 

Harvest, NSW

The Rathbone, NSW

Waterford, NSW

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Bloomdale, VIC

Carolina, VIC

Hillstowe, VIC

Savana, VIC



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It is incredibly important for us to create places where people love to belong, and as part of this vision, to ensure we are delivering best-practice planning and design to maximise sustainability in our communities. We are very proud to have achieved accreditation in eleven communities across Australia.

Cameron Holt CEO, AVID Property Group

For more information visit avid.com.au or envirodevelopment.com.au

