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# Hall & Prior opens world class aged care home - Karingal Green

A new concept in aged care Karingal Green Health and Aged Care Community has opened its doors this week in High Wycombe.

Karingal Green will significantly boost aged care services in Kalamunda providing 160 beds for the region and 200 plus local jobs.

The home is a thoughtfully designed connected community that offers generously appointed, modern accommodation designed to suit the specific needs of its residents.

It also offers beautiful living and garden spaces; a wellness centre, heated hydrotherapy pool, gymnasium, café and cinema; an on-site allied and primary health clinic; and a dedicated research, training and education centre.

Kalamunda and surrounding areas have an expected population growth of approximately 70,000 people by 2029. More than 10,000, or 14%, of these will be aged over 70. It's therefore critical to ensure that there are adequate services in the area to meet the current and future needs of aged care in the local community.

The \$90 million home has been more than a decade in the making, was designed by leading international architects Hassell and built by Broad Construction. Karingal Greeen provided 150 full time jobs during its construction and will deliver more than 200 jobs to the local area once it's fully operational.

Officially opened on Monday 4 May 2020, by Hall & Prior Directors Graeme Prior and Michael Hall, Mr Prior said opening the home was a major milestone for the group.

"Karingal Green is a part of our \$500 million investment portfolio and I'm incredibly proud to see it open its doors," Mr Prior said.

"Unfortunately due to COVID-19 restrictions we could not open the home to the community as we originally planned, but we have welcomed our first resident Maxine Taylor to Karingal Green this week.

"This is a new concept for aged care in Perth and means that Western Australians now have access to world class aged care services in their community."

Karingal Green is named after the Aboriginal Koori word meaning 'happy home' or 'happy camp'. Set in the leafy Perth foothills it has been purpose designed to be a place of nurturing and healing.

Every element of the home has been carefully considered, from features that enhance views and natural daylight to elements that ensure ease of movement and add character to achieve a feeling of 'home' for residents.

Excellence in clinical care is at the core of every decision made.

"I am grateful for the unwavering support that this project has received from so many individuals, organisations and Government at all levels. Karingal Green was designed by award-winning international architects Hassell Studio and built by Broad Construction. The building and living environment is truly phenomenal and is a credit to the team for their design, innovation and expertise – Karingal Green is now a place to call 'home'." Mr Prior said.

"My heartfelt thanks to the team at Hall & Prior, my fellow director Michael Hall and the team at Broad Construction. Karingal Green is a major milestone for the group.

"In addition, the support of our community partners, the City of Kalamunda, Activ Foundation Inc and the Western Australian State Government have been integral to the success of this project.

"The home offers rooms that cater to all care needs; we also have companion rooms so couples can stay living together which we believe is vitally important in aged care."

Karingal Green offers care on permanent, respite or day respite basis as well as Parkinson's and Dementia Care and a purpose built area for individuals under 65 that have high level 24/7 care needs.

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Graeme Prior, CEO and Michael Hall, Director



Karingal Green - Front facade



Karingal Green – Village Green

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## **ABOUT KARINGAL GREEN**

Karingal Green is a new state-of-the-art aged care community by award-winning aged care provider Hall & Prior. Located in High Wycombe, Karingal Green will provide a much needed, superior option of aged care in Western Australia.

The community will include 160 beds catering to all levels of care needs and provide specialist services (including secure dementia care) as well as home and community care services. It will be a centre for healing with access to world-class facilities including a wellness centre, allied health services, heated therapy pool, gymnasium, café, cinema, primary health clinic and private dining.

This unique, integrated space will increase access to leading, quality and relevant aged care, and deliver better health outcomes for local residents and the wider community in a safe, peaceful, connected location.

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#### **ABOUT HALL & PRIOR**

Hall & Prior has provided award winning aged care services in the Western Australian and New South Wales communities for more than 30 years. The private, family-owned business today operates 27 aged care centres caring for more than 1,500 people and employing 2,100 professional and specialist staff.

A known leader in the provision of specialist care services including dementia care, Hall & Prior is committed to research and development to ensure leading and accessible care that makes a real difference to the lives of its residents and their families. Its newest aged care development in Western Australia, Karingal Green, is evidence of this – offering both contemporary, high quality design and leading care & healing services within an integrated community space.

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