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BIG WIN FOR FAMILIES LOOKING TO BUY A HOME

The NSW Government today announced land would be released for an additional 11,000 homes, in a big win for families looking to break into the Sydney housing market.

Minister for Planning and Infrastructure Brad Hazzard said today's release of land at Leppington and East Leppington is more good news for families who have been struggling to get into the housing market.

"This is big win for families and first homebuyers. Owning a home is a dream for families. This release of land will help that dream become a reality," Mr Hazzard said.

"In just over six months the O'Farrell Government has laid the foundation for almost 56,000 homes, including two new precincts at Leppington and East Leppington," he said.

"These two precincts will provide allow an additional 8000 and 3000 homes respectively with a mix of affordable housing.

"In total there will be 27,000 new homes and some 90,000 new residents to the catchment of the South West Rail Line and all will have access to the new Leppington Town Centre.

"Approvals for essential infrastructure such as water and electricity will be fast-tracked during the precinct planning phase.

"Today's announcement is further evidence the Government is serious about delivering the housing and infrastructure that NSW residents desperately need," Minister Hazzard said.

The developer of the East Leppington site, Stockland Chairman Graham Bradley said, "This is the largest master-planned community Stockland has ever undertaken in NSW.

"The NSW Government is sending a clear message to business that it welcomes investment."

Local Camden MP, Chris Patterson said, "South-West Sydney is in desperate need of more housing after 16 years of neglect from the former Government.

"Not only is this great news for homebuyers, but it's also proof of the Government's commitment to delivering essential infrastructure to service growing suburbs."