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**ROAD WORKS TO OPEN UP LAND IN WODEN EAST**

The Stanhope Government's \$200,000 of funding for forward design of subdivision roadworks at Woden East is now proceeding, enabling the development of the Woden East site to commence in 2006-07, according to Planning Minister Simon Corbell.

"The Stanhope Government is investing \$200,000 for a range of engineering and geotechnical works associated with the construction of a new street – Wilbow Street – to link Callam Street to Easty Street so that more than 500 dwellings can be built on about six hectares of land on the eastern side of Callam Street," Mr Corbell said.

"Wilbow Street will include a bridge over Yarralumla Creek and a roundabout from which to enter the subdivision."

Mr Corbell said Wilbow Street would help to transform Woden town centre into a more vibrant and sustainable neighbourhood.

"Wilbow Street will be an integral component of the proposed new bus system in Woden, an essential first stage to replacing the existing Woden bus interchange, and will ensure that the residents of Woden east will have excellent access to the existing retail, cultural, recreational and employment opportunities in the town centre.

"Development of this site will reduce residents' reliance on cars and is likely to increase the level of day and night street life within the town centre. It will promote new forms of housing within the area and will help to redress the shortage of smaller households in Woden and Weston Creek. The release of this land will introduce more residential development within and around the Woden town centre, as envisaged in the 2004 Woden Town Centre Master Plan."

The first stage of the estate is scheduled to be developed in 2006-07. The incremental redevelopment of the Woden bus interchange is expected to begin in 2007-08.

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