New Seniors Village opens in Alice Springs

Minister for Central Australia Karl Hampton today officially opened the $5.7 million Larapinta Seniors Village in Alice Springs.

The village, which comprises 12 x 2 bedroom units and 6 x 1 bedroom units, has been purpose built for Senior Territorians, to meet the specialised requirements of this growing sector.

"Providing suitable housing for our senior public housing tenants is a key way to keep our seniors in the Territory," Mr Hampton said.

Minister Hampton said each unit has been designed with independent living in mind.

“The units are low maintenance and easily modified to suit the needs of tenants.

“Each unit has its own storage shed, car parking area, garden bed and courtyard, with appropriate facilities such as ramps, lever handles and tapware and low step thresholds.

“The complex has a village feel, with a landscaped common area, shaded meeting areas and an electric BBQ for residents, to promote a sense of community.

Minister Hampton said the new Larapinta Seniors Village follows the recently opened Seniors Village at Bellamack in Palmerston.

“For senior public housing tenants who find big yards and big houses too big to manage, we are providing appropriate, safe and secure housing while freeing up those larger dwellings for Territory families.

Territory seniors currently receive the most generous concessions in the country, with discounts on travel, public transport, electricity, rates, water bills and more.

Larapinta Seniors Village was designed and project managed by the Department of Construction and Infrastructure (DCI) in Alice Springs and built by local builder, Asbuild.

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