$18 MILLION EXPANSION OF RETIREMENT HOME

An $18 million expansion to the retirement and aged care complex at Tiwi Gardens in Darwin is planned following a community land grant by the NT Government.

Chief Minister Clare Martin said the expansion will help to meet the need for more accommodation for older Territorians.

“More and more seniors are deciding to live here – we have to make sure we can look after them,” Ms Martin said.

“The land grant is about working with private operators to meet the needs of our community,” Ms Martin said.

The development will include:

- 45 new aged care beds
- 35 new retirement homes, and
- 12 low cost housing units

When the expansion to the Masonic Homes retirement and aged care complex at Tiwi Gardens is finished in 5 years it will be the largest in the Territory.

It will include 100 aged care beds, 50 retirement homes and 12 low cost housing units.

The land grant is 2.4 hectares of vacant Crown land adjacent Tiwi Gardens and fronting Creswell Street.

Construction is expected to start by April next year.

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