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\$16m Social Housing Project for Oakleigh

Affordable rental housing will be a reality for more elderly Monash residents following the start of works on a new \$16.3 million social housing project in Oakleigh, Federal Member for Chisholm Anna Burke MP said.

Ms Burke visited the Oxford Street site today to announce the start of construction on the project, which will see 48 new dwellings built at the site. She was joined by Victorian Parliamentary Secretary for Human Services Telmo Languiller and State Member for Oakleigh Ann Barker.

The project will include the development of 22 one bedroom units, 14 two bedroom units and 12 studio apartments, Ms Burke said.

“On completion, this well-designed and well-located development will translate into a home for elderly residents in Monash, which will improve their quality of life,” she said.

“We know that Monash has one of the highest levels of demand for affordable rental housing in Victoria, so this project will be of immense benefit to the community.

“It is expected to sustain about 70 jobs during the construction phase and serves as an apt example of the Government’s commitment to delivering more affordable housing.

“To have a roof over your head is one of life’s essentials, so it’s extremely pleasing to see the Government provide housing for many more vulnerable people.”

The project is being funded by the Rudd Government’s Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan, which is delivering \$40 million across Monash to construct a total of 130 new homes.

“This program is broadening the housing options available to those on low incomes, which is good news for the local community,” Ms Burke said.

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