



The green dream

"green" when it comes to property have more options than ever before. For land buyers keen to create a sustainable haven, the Mandurah Sustainable Home in Meadow Springs showcases environmentally friendly features and fixtures considered affordable for first-home buyers.

Managed by the City of Mandurah, the home has a solar passive design to reduce the need for heating and cooling, energy and water-efficient fixtures, and a garden that needs less water and fertiliser.

Another option to live the green dream is the prefabricated house.

Alternative Living general manager Andy Arundel said pre-

AT A GLANCE

Coodanup Drive, Coodanup

Price: \$360,000-\$600,000

LOCATION: Frasers Landing; corner of Wanjeey St and

Features: A diverse selection of house and land packages,

duplexes, townhouses and apartments on 58ha next to the

Serpentine River. Homes are constructed using a rendered

Contact: Visit the sales pavilion at Frasers Landing or telephone

Features: Three-bedroom, two-bathroom pre-fabricated houses

with a five-star energy rating, and living space of 123sq m. Optional extras include a courtyard, carport and "solar pergola".

LOCATION: The Pinnacle; 72 Verdant Circle, Seville Grove,

RMAX Thermawall cladding over a timber frame.

Contact: Alternative Living on 6270 4050

most effective ways for buyers to reduce their carbon footprint.

home that is going to embrace those

Alternative Homes has a range of The Pinnacle is on display in Seville Grove and has three bedrooms, two pergola".

"They don't have excessive

"What's sustainable about building a great big rectangular

"This is an efficient use of space

— there are no activity rooms, no games rooms and no theatre rooms.

"It's the inefficiency in the products we embrace that is contributing to the total amount of resources we are using.'

Fraser's Landing in Mandurah is spread over 58ha next to the Serpentine River.

About 1250 homes are planned across 12 hamlets, including a selection of house and land packages, duplexes, townhouses and apartments.

The house and land packages are priced from \$360,000 to \$600,000.

Frasers Property chief executive officer Stanley Quek described the property as a rare vision for Mandurah, with hamlets nestled in retained and protected bushland.

"The homes designed exclusively for Frasers Landing are a perfect fit with this environment," Dr Quek said.

Many of the blocks allow buyers to retain a natural canopy and existing vegetation.

Frasers has opened a concept village called The Frasers Collection. The display homes are designed exclusively for Frasers Landing, with six homes constructed using a rendered thermal cladding over a timber

Dr Quek said the construction method had a reduced carbon footprint when compared with brick and tile homes. The timber frame comes from regrowth forests, the material is 100 per cent recyclable, there is little waste postconstruction and the cladding and frame are impregnated with nontoxic termite treatment.

- For further information about Frasers Landing telephone 1300
- Visit Alternative Living's The Pinnacle at 72 Verdant Circle, Seville Grove, or telephone 6270
- The Mandurah Sustainable Home is at 18 Grandmere Pde, Meadow Springs, and is open every Wednesday from 2pm to 4pm, and Saturday and Sunday from 1pm to 5pm. For information contact Mark Booth from Ultimate Homes on 0417 969415.

— TAMMY WAYNE ELLIOT

Generation sustainable

THE legacy of Generation Y will be the green movement, according Bernard Salt, a partner at business advisory firm KPMG.

Mr Salt has authored a global study of Generation Y and believes that the environment and concerns about sustainable living are something that solidified the generation.

"It became their cause. It was something that galvanised the generation," Mr Salt

Generation Y is made up of people born between 1982 and 2000.

Older members are now among those buying their first home.

Mr Salt said people from Generation Y were among the first to have adopted green values from primary school.

"Throughout the 1990s and into this decade, Generation Y has known nothing other than green consciousness and this is showing through many of the choices they make," Mr Salt said.

"They have learnt about it from childhood. Now they are adults and are buying homes, they don't know any other way than to seek to fulfil their green principles.'

Predictions from Mr Salt for the future of residential housing include "green" ratings for homes similar to those in place for commercial properties and hotels.

"I would not be surprised to see within five years every property in Australia having some sort of energy rating and for it to become mandatory when you sell a property to have a green rating," Mr Salt said.

He said this sort of rating system would align with Generation Y's values, which would shift the emphasis and create value around green credentials.

"In addition to that, Gen Y would look for solar heating, water harvesting and maybe even solar panels to make a contribution to the (electricity) grid," he said.

"All these sorts of things, I think, Gen Y would look for increasingly in real estate."

— TAMMY WAYNE ELLIOT



Frasers Landing

EOPLE wanting to go fabricated homes were one of the

"For new subdivisions, we offer a green ideals," Mr Arundel said.

pre-fabricated homes with a minimum five-star energy rating. bathrooms and an optional "solar

amounts of space," Mr Arundel said. "The more space you have, the more you have to cool it, clean it and furnish it.



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