

Redevelopment plans not proceeding at Box Factory site

Redevelopment plans at the Box Factory site will not proceed after being unable to meet the State Government's aspirations for the project.

Earlier this year, Renewal SA embarked on an Expression of Interest (EOI) process for the design and delivery of a new mix of housing types in the CBD, so more people could enjoy the benefits of city living in close proximity to transport and services.

A number of innovative proposals were received from developers, business and community housing groups that will shape future approaches to inner-city development.

Housing SA Executive Director Phil Fagan-Schmidt said throughout the EOI process the Government has been committed to ensuring that adequate social housing was at the heart of any redevelopment plans for the Box Factory site (Pope Court).

"The process received strong interest from developers and not-for-profit housing providers who share a vision for strong and connected communities, where residents are supported to maintain their independence and social connections," Mr Fagan-Schmidt said.

"Social Housing Minister Tony Piccolo has informed the residents of the decision and has invited them to a meeting next Thursday, 19 December with Housing SA to answer any questions they may have."

Renewal SA chief executive Fred Hansen said the State Government was strongly committed to continuing to work with industry and the community housing sector to deliver new models for mixed-use developments, including social housing.

"Redevelopment plans will not proceed after being unable to meet the State Government's aspirations for the project," Mr Hansen said.

"However, the quality, consideration and vision presented by the proponent's submissions has unearthed new approaches that will be valuable for other redevelopment opportunities in this State.

"We are committed to the vibrant city agenda and to delivering high-quality developments that meet the needs of the communities they serve."

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