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Dear community member

**MOUNT LOFTY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
PROJECT UPDATE - MASTERPLANNING PROCESS**

Thank you for registering your interest in regular updates about masterplanning for the Defence Housing Australia (DHA) Mount Lofty residential community. This is the second of our regular updates. You will be kept informed throughout the masterplanning process and we welcome your feedback.

Attached is our **Fact Check**, which addresses queries from the local community, and corrects some assumptions that have been incorrectly reported in the media. You are welcome to contact us at any time if you wish to clarify any points, provide your feedback, or ask questions.

There will be several visitors to the DHA Mount Lofty site in the coming weeks. These include surveyors, unexploded ordinance experts and a landscape architect. Survey work has progressed well, with completion of field surveys. This data is being calibrated and validated. The survey pegs on the site identify various things that are historical to the site, not the future. For example, the total landholding is currently spread across 7 Lots (titles), and the boundaries of these need to be surveyed for planning purposes.

DHA is in the process of engaging an unexploded ordinance (UXO) expert consultant. This consultant will comprehensively review the site and review historical Defence information. Ultimately, this consultant will guide the masterplan.

The landscape architect is a vegetation specialist, who will report on the health and integrity of the Moreton Bay Fig, Chinese Elm and other trees on the site. Our focus will initially be on these trees, as one of the Chinese elms collapsed in mid-January 2017. The landscape architect will make recommendations about tree protection zones and structural root zones. These recommendations, along with planning controls and legislation, will guide the masterplan layout, so that trees have sufficient space to continue to thrive.

DHA has arrangements in place with local contractors for the regular maintenance of the Mount Lofty site. Mowing and grounds maintenance programs are in place. If you see anything on the site that requires attention, please let us know.

If you, or any of your neighbours, would to discuss the DHA Mount Lofty masterplan, please contact our community engagement specialists, CPR Group, at the following contact points.

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Please take the time to read through the enclosed **Fact Check**, which provides information about DHA and the Mount Lofty masterplanning process. Thank you for your interest.

Yours sincerely



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