

## Media Release

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### Delfin Lend Lease unveils naming of first St Marys precinct

Delfin Lend Lease today announced that the first precinct of its St Marys development will be called Ropes Crossing.

Ropes Crossing will encompass the entire Eastern Precinct of the St Marys site, an area which covers 132ha and is expected to contain about 1,800 homes.

With construction due to commence this month, the first residential blocks of Ropes Crossing are expected to go on sale early next year.

Project Director Arthur Ilias said the name Ropes Crossing had a special relationship to the site.

"The project name was derived from Ropes Creek, which is the watercourse that runs through the Eastern Precinct and that people cross over to enter the site," he said.

"Ropes Creek was named after Anthony Rope, a convict who arrived with the First Fleet in 1788 and later became one of the first settlers in the St Marys district."

"Crossing is a reference to a meeting place, a place for interaction that aligns with the project vision."

Mr Ilias said it was exciting that the project was now at the stage where construction was about to commence.

"We've moved into a new and dynamic phase of the project," he said.

"St Marys stands to deliver significant employment, housing, environmental, community and educational outcomes to the local community."

Homebuyers can register their interest in Ropes Crossing by calling 1800 182 211.

The 1,545-hectare St Marys development will eventually include up to 5,000 homes located within three distinct villages bordered by an 850-hectare Regional Park and generate approximately 5,000 ongoing jobs for local residents.

The project is expected to be home to 12,000 residents by 2016 and will include education, retail, dining, community and recreation facilities.

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