## Innovative subdivision for Pine Rivers Shire Council

## North Lakes Centre

he Pine Rivers Shire Council is situated just north of Brisbane city and is the fastest-growing local authority of a similar size in Queensland, running second only to Casey in Victoria on the national growth scale.

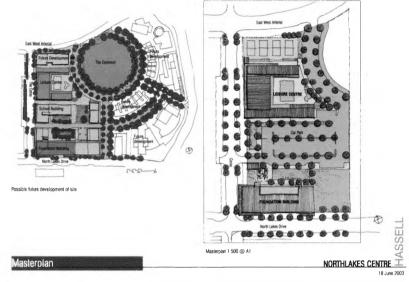
The Council has approved the North Lakes subdivision in the Shire and while 3000 people already call North Lakes home it is expected that there will be close to 25 000 people living in the master-planned subdivision by 2016.

The Pine Rivers Shire Council has recently appointed Bovis Lend Lease to undertake construction of the North Lakes Centre — a major component of the overall project.

The new facility will be built adjacent to the newly-constructed Westfield retail outlet at North Lakes and will be available for use by all Shire residents by early 2004. It will offer residents new opportunities for leisure, learning and lifestyle.



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The Council has partnered Education Queensland, Sport and Recreation Queensland, major developer Lensworth and the Hornery Institute to plan, design and operate the overall project.

The Hornery Institute is a not-for-profit organisation specialising in community development and capacity building.

The key features of the Town Centre include a foundation building, joint-use library, a vocational and education training centre/skills suite, recreation facilities, and a proposed state senior secondary college.

The foundation building will be the focus of the centre's learning and skills development component, housing activities, programs and resources for the entire Shire.

The joint-use library will be based on successful overseas models. In these models, libraries are drivers of change in communities by attracting residents to meet in comfortable surrounds and to make use of modern, multi-media resources.

The library facility will be designed to be used by the entire community, but will have facilities tailored for the use of senior classes from North Lakes State College.

A major focus of the centre is the Vocational and Education Training (VET) centre/skills suite. VET and tertiary providers will provide formal and informal learning opportunities for the community through the skills centre.

The North Lakes complex — which was designed by leading national company Hassell Architects — will also feature a large sports hall, an indoor learn-to-swim pool, outdoor lap pool and children's leisure pool, for use by all Shire residents.

A 'village-green'-style oval and community garden at the Foundation Building also would provide additional outdoor space for the community.

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Futher details are available from Ian McCallum, Aurora Foundation secretary, phone 02 6257 9177.