



The Place To Be

Media release

From the Minister for the Commonwealth Games

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OWN A PIECE OF THE GAMES ATHLETES VILLAGE

The Minister for Commonwealth Games Justin Madden today offered Victorians the chance to own their very own piece of the Commonwealth Games Athletes Village.

Mr Madden said temporary houses specifically built for the Games were now for sale through a public tender process.

115 temporary houses have been installed for the Games. After the Games, 20 will be retained for social housing across Victoria, with the remaining 95 available for public sale.

“This is a fantastic opportunity for Victorians to own their own piece of Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games history,” Mr Madden said.

Through the tender process, there is the opportunity to buy:

34 x one bedroom cabins

55 x two bedroom cabins

6 x 3/4 bedroom cabins with 3 bathrooms and disabled access.

“Some of the world’s greatest athletes will stay in these houses in the village making them truly unique,” Mr Madden said.

“There has already been considerable interest in the cabins, with dozens of enquiries as to whether they are for sale.”

“They would be great for beach or bush properties.”

Cabins will be available for inspection by appointment in January and are available for removal from the Village in May 2006.

All of the cabins are timber and steel frame with coloured corrugated orb sheeting on the walls and roof. The smaller cabins also have a verandah on the front.

More information is available at www.majorprojects.vic.gov.au/villagecabins

The XVIII Commonwealth Games will be held from 15 – 26 March 2006 and will bring together 4,500 athletes from 71 nations.

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