

## Natural energy takes pride of place

## O SANDRA ARGESE

Taking a green approach, Griffin Group's Parkview Como development incorporates natural-looking materials and textures into its savvy design. Urbanize Architects designed the low-energy consumption boutique development to feature 14 exclusive apartments across four levels.

The energy efficiency features of the development were provided by

Geniux, a real estate technology company specialising in providing green solutions.

Geniux CEO David Briffa told *New Homes* Parkview not only supplied electricity, but also hot water via renewable sources.

"This will provide further savings to owners by capturing and storing more energy beyond when the sun is shining whilst further reducing carbon emissions," he said.

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Griffin Group Managing Director Greg Devine said the feature entry would be styled with greenery and potted plants to deliver a "natural feel". There are two one-bedroom,

There are two one-bedroom, one-bathroom apartments, each offering 82sqm of internal space on the ground level, and eight two-bedroom, two-bathroom apartments with 90sqm of living space on levels one, two and three.

Crowning the development will be four exclusive three-bedroom, two-bathroom apartments with 104sqm of internal living space each on level four. Each will have direct access to an exclusive and private 63sqm rooftop terrace. All the apartments have generous courtyards.

"The soffit over the roof terrace will have a natural look, integrating it with the landscaping of the terrace whilst capitalising on the beautiful views of the park," Mr Devine said.

Large windows will allow natural light to flood the interiors.

Additional features will include a video entry intercom, energyefficient LED lighting, solar power and geo-thermal assisted heating.

Mr Devine said the development had been designed with local downsizers in mind.

"Prior to marketing, we have already 45 per cent of the development sold," he said. "The building has great street appeal. The apartments are well-designed and spacious and the inclusion of clean technology infrastructure will provide financial benefits to future occupiers," Griffin Group Projects Project Manager Brett Garrett said.

Nestled on a corner lot at 19 Clydesdale Street, Parkview Como is forecast to be completed at the end of 2020. Construction will start at the end of September 2019.

Both one-bedroom, one-bathroom apartments have been sold. Prices start at \$649,000 for a two-bedroom, two-bathroom apartment and from \$829,000 for a three-bedroom, two-bathroom option.

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