

Welcome to the Lifestyle office

A marriage of the latest in designed sustainability and information technology with a stack of lifestyle benefits to create a healthier working environment is expected to make the new Lifestyle Working strata commercial complex attractive.

The complex, a joint venture between Stable Properties and FKP Property Group, will be built at Brookvale, cashing in on a move beyond the CBD to work nearer to the coastline and beaches.

Lifestyle Working is opposite the \$55 million Focus project, an integrated development on 2 hectares at Old Pittwater Road opposite Warringah Mall.

Architects Nettletontribe have designed dual, three-level rectangular buildings for Lifestyle Working, with a central, semi-enclosed atrium style boardwalk running through the centre.

Lifestyle Working, at 117 Pittwater Road, will incorporate a 25-metre lap pool, gym, an outdoor/indoor café, breakout collaborative meeting areas, and landscapes by TV star Jamie Durie.

The managing director of Stable Properties, Ed Horton, said marketing of the project began only a month ago. "Investor and owner-occupier interest has been strong with 20 per cent of the space already spoken for."

The projected completion date is 2007.

Marketing agents for Lifestyle Working are Knight Frank and Bridge Real Estate.

FKP's NSW manager, Evian Delfabbro, said a lot of work had gone into making the development smarter than the typical commodity office product.

The aim was to provide the end user with flexibility and a better business environment in which to operate.

"We think this will be reflected in tenant and occupant retention over time," Mr Delfabbro said.

He said the project was an ecologically sustainable development which had gained NSW government recognition with a five-star Australian Building Greenhouse Rating commitment agreement.

The agreement was the first for a building of this type and only the second ever awarded.

Mr Horton said the project included a water conservation system, including a 280 kl rainwater tank.

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