

Next Steps...

In late 2009 key stakeholders achieved agreement to proceed towards the construction phase. Next stage Project Milestones are:

- Key Agreement finalized
- Steering Committee meet
- Architects appointed
- Soil testing at site
- Permits obtained
- House chosen for removal & relocation
- Key stakeholder input into design
- Construction starts ~July 2010

The proposed Iramoo Eco-Living Centre, to be located next to Jones Creek's spring-fed lakes and wetlands at Victoria University St.Albans Campus, will serve as a demonstration 'Sustainability House' showcasing the highest level sustainable products for energy efficiency, water conservation and waste management — all achieved using a relocated retrofitted house designed to fulfil it's new life as a community centre, meeting place and education centre for sustainable living.

A Community Consultation process has been in operation since mid-2009, gathering input at various opportunities, using surveys, meetings, interviews, etc. A very successful Community Day was held on Sunday 8 November 2009 for the Design Concept Phase. 'Event management scenarios' were used to obtain feedback from a range of groups and individuals. Various event scenarios were used in conjunction with table-top modelling: a Waterwise Landscape Design Workshop; a Sustainability Expo and a 'Go Green Get Fit' Activity Program. Participants brain-stormed to identify the requirements for the Eco-Living Centre for similar eventualities. Information gathered from this process was used to 'inform' the Design Concept which is currently being developed and you can provide your input via our survey site.

Key Design Features identified:

- Be a place people can go to find out 'how to do' sustainable living—an 'environmental neighbourhood house'
- Utilise views over lakes and reserve
- Verandahs all round
- Look like a typical house/garden
- Commercial kitchen/cafe
- Courtyards, shaded seating and outdoor dining areas
- Distinctive Feature Landmark
- Be a model 'Sustainability House' showcasing sustainability products
- Open air amphitheatre near lake
- Community Garden
- Linked buildings—well-connected spaces
- Landscape Masterplan—focus on key landscape garden elements; i.e. Waterwise, vertical, windbreaks, kitchen, rain garden, children's playground, sensory, meditation area, programmable areas for activities i.e. Tai Chi.

HAVE YOUR SAY:

Please let us know what you'd like to see and do at Iramoo's new Eco-Living Centre.

Go to our survey site at :

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/L6RDD2Y)

[L6RDD2Y](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/L6RDD2Y)

(cut & paste this address into your browser).



Concept Only