

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

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Foreword

As the second half of the year progresses, Australia's property market, construction sector and infrastructure investment environment continue to present new opportunities. Throughout August, DDDI Group continued to monitor project development, industry policy changes and market trends, while continuing to advance its work through project delivery, professional engagement and industry research.

During the month, multiple development projects progressed through key stages including Planning Approval, Development Approval and construction activities, while project management systems and development processes continued to be refined. At the same time, DDDI Group worked with industry partners to host the 'First Home Buyer Roadmap' seminar, providing participants with a more complete overview of the home buying process, from loan planning and property selection strategies to detached home construction.

Meanwhile, continued government investment in infrastructure and industry transition is creating potential project opportunities across the sector. The Closing the Gap – Major Capital Works Program and Safeguard Transformation Stream are creating new project opportunities across areas including health infrastructure, regional development, industrial upgrades and the low-carbon transition.

Beyond project and industry updates, DDDI Group continues to focus on the connection between data, development, design and market insights. Through professional research and industry engagement, the Group supports businesses in better understanding policy directions and identifying future market opportunities.

Highlights of This Issue:

- ◆ **Project Updates:** Multiple projects progressing through approval, technical preparation and construction stages
- ◆ **First Home Buyer Seminar:** A comprehensive overview of the home buying journey, from finance planning and property selection to home construction
- ◆ **Policy Opportunity Insights:** Potential opportunities for the construction sector arising from government infrastructure investment
- ◆ **Industry Transition Trends:** Industrial decarbonisation investment driving demand for engineering, construction and low-carbon development

Project Progress Update

Overall project progress remained steady this month, with multiple projects continuing to advance through key stages including Planning Approval, Development Approval, technical preparation and construction activities. The team continued to coordinate design, approval and construction-related activities to maintain smooth coordination across projects at different stages of development.

♦ **Two projects achieved key approval milestones and entered subsequent development stages**

During the month, two projects achieved important approval milestones and officially progressed into the next stages. The Dernancourt project successfully obtained Development Approval, providing a basis for the next stage of construction preparation and project delivery. The Christies Beach project successfully obtained Planning Approval, marking the completion of the Planning Approval stage. The project will now proceed with further technical refinement and development arrangements in accordance with approval requirements.

♦ **Three projects progressed through Planning Approval processes and continued development preparation**

Multiple projects progressed through the Planning Approval stage during the month. The Christies Beach project completed preparation of its Planning Approval application documentation and formally submitted the application to Council, entering the planning assessment process. The Payneham and Noarlunga Downs projects successfully obtained Planning Approval, supporting subsequent project progression and construction preparation. The continued advancement of these projects further strengthened the Group's development pipeline.

♦ **Two projects commenced detailed design and technical preparation for construction**

The Paralowie and Christies Beach projects officially commenced structural design and preparation of Energy Rating reports. These technical documents will support subsequent Building Rules Consent applications and construction stages, ensuring the projects continue to progress in accordance with the established development plans.

♦ **Two projects completed Development Approval and entered the construction preparation stage**

In addition to the Dernancourt project, the Para Hills project also successfully obtained Development Approval this month, completing a key approval process. Both projects will now move into the construction preparation stage, including construction planning coordination, technical coordination and preparations for site commencement.

♦ **Six construction projects continued progressing, with construction activities advancing steadily**

All current construction projects are progressing according to the established schedule. The Ingle Farm and Pooraka projects have entered the final stages of construction, with remaining works progressing toward completion and gradually moving into pre-handover preparations. The Mitchell Park project has completed foundation pouring, with preparations for subsequent framing works completed. The Clearview, Gepps Cross and Vista projects have progressively completed framing works and are preparing to enter the internal and external finishing stages, with overall construction progress in line with expectations.

♦ **Monthly summary and next priorities**

Overall, multiple projects achieved positive progress across approvals, technical preparation and construction during the month, demonstrating a clear progression from Planning Approval submissions and approvals through to Development Approval and on-site construction.

In the next stage, the team will continue to focus on:

- o Technical refinement and construction preparation for projects that have obtained approvals;
- o Site coordination and progress management for projects currently under construction;
- o Approval progression and resource coordination for future development projects.

Through continuous optimisation of project management processes and strengthened coordination among stakeholders, the team will continue to support the steady progress of each project in accordance with established plans and support long-term value creation for investors.

GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR | CLOSING THE GAP A\$180 MILLION MAJOR CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM

As Australia continues to invest in community infrastructure, public investment is creating new market opportunities across healthcare, regional development and construction delivery. For construction companies, engineering consultancies and project management teams, understanding government investment priorities and positioning early within future project supply chains is becoming an increasingly important competitive consideration. The Australian Government is continuing to progress the Closing the Gap – Major Capital Works Program Round 3, with up to A\$180 million in funding planned across the 2026–27 and 2027–28 financial years. The programme supports healthcare infrastructure for Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs), including new healthcare facilities, upgrades and refurbishments to existing facilities, and related supporting infrastructure.

While the programme is not a direct funding opportunity for general construction businesses, the infrastructure investment it represents may generate future demand across healthcare construction, regional development, engineering design and project delivery.

Public Investment Supporting Healthcare Infrastructure Development

The latest Closing the Gap Major Capital Works Program focuses not only on strengthening community healthcare capacity, but also on improving regional public service conditions through investment in physical infrastructure.

The funding supports new healthcare facilities, expansions, upgrades and refurbishment works, as well as certain related supporting infrastructure. For the construction sector, long-term public investment of this nature can support activity across planning and design, engineering consultancy, construction and project delivery.

As regional healthcare facilities continue to be upgraded, future projects may involve complex planning approvals, technical coordination and construction management requirements. These projects may require collaboration among industry participants with experience across planning, design, construction and project delivery.

Opportunities Across the Broader Construction Supply Chain

For construction and engineering businesses, the key consideration is not simply the scale of government funding, but the project lifecycle opportunities created as that investment moves into delivery.

As projects progress through design, approvals, procurement and construction stages, builders, engineering consultants, project management teams and specialist suppliers may all have opportunities to participate. The impact of government investment is therefore not limited to direct funding recipients, but can extend across the broader construction supply chain.

For businesses seeking to participate in future public infrastructure projects, gaining an early understanding of government investment priorities, clearly defining their areas of expertise and establishing relevant industry networks can help them better prepare for future market opportunities.

DDDI Group Continues to Monitor Policy and Industry Trends

DDDI Group recognises that government infrastructure investment not only reflects current public infrastructure needs, but also signals the future direction of industry development.

By continuously monitoring government policies, capital investment trends and market changes, businesses can identify potential project opportunities earlier and plan and prepare earlier in line with their own capabilities.

Looking ahead, as healthcare facilities, regional infrastructure and community development projects continue to progress, businesses with technical expertise, project management experience and integrated delivery capabilities may have opportunities to participate in more construction projects supported by public investment.

UP TO A\$50 MILLION PER PROJECT | INDUSTRIAL DECARBONISATION INVESTMENT OPENS NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION



As Australia continues to pursue industrial decarbonisation and sustainability objectives, the Government is providing new investment support through the Safeguard Transformation Stream Round 2. The programme has approximately A\$321 million in available funding, with up to A\$50 million available per project. This investment is expected to further support the adoption of emissions-reduction technologies and infrastructure upgrades across industrial sectors.

The programme focuses on supporting eligible industrial facilities through measures including equipment upgrades, electrification, energy efficiency improvements and the deployment of low-emissions technologies to reduce Scope 1 emissions and improve long-term operational efficiency. As related capital investment progresses, industrial facility upgrades are expected to create additional demand across engineering design, equipment installation and construction activities.

For engineering and construction businesses, these industrial transition projects may generate demand across areas including equipment installation, infrastructure upgrades, power system improvements, industrial building modifications and project management. As large-scale industrial facilities enter upgrade cycles, the market for related engineering services may continue to expand.

DDDI Group Will Continue to Monitor Industrial Policy Developments

DDDI Group will continue to monitor industrial decarbonisation policies, capital investment trends and their impact on the construction and engineering sectors, helping businesses identify potential project opportunities earlier and better understand market demand arising from future industrial facility upgrades. As electrification, energy efficiency improvements and low-emissions production technologies continue to be implemented, capabilities in engineering design, equipment installation, industrial building upgrades and project delivery will become increasingly important. By understanding policy directions and industry investment trends in advance, businesses can better plan how they participate in future market opportunities and position themselves to capture long-term opportunities arising from industrial transformation.

The impact of government funding extends beyond the industrial businesses receiving direct support. As projects progress from technical planning through to design, procurement and implementation, engineering consultants, construction companies, equipment suppliers and project management teams may all participate in project delivery through the broader supply chain.

EVENT PREVIEW | FIRST HOME BUYER ROADMAP

UNDERSTANDING THE FIRST HOME BUYING JOURNEY: FINANCE, PROPERTY SELECTION AND CONSTRUCTION

WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2026 | 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

For many first home buyers, the journey involves multiple stages, from loan preparation and property selection to land purchase, home construction and final handover. With complex market information and various processes to coordinate, planning budgets effectively and selecting the right approach have become key considerations for those entering the property market for the first time.

To help buyers gain a more comprehensive understanding of the Australian first home buying process, DDDI Group will host the 'First Home Buyer Roadmap' free seminar in partnership with Complete Property Strategies and Prime Path Mortgage on 23 September 2026.

The seminar will cover loan planning, property selection strategies, house and land packages, and the full construction process. It aims to provide participants with a clearer understanding of the complete pathway from initial purchase preparation through to home handover, helping them better manage timelines, budgets and decision-making risks.

Event Details

Topic:
First Home Buyer Roadmap —
Understanding Finance, Property
Selection and Home Construction in One
Session

Time:
Wednesday, 23 September 2026
5:30 pm – 8:00 pm (Registration from 5:00
pm)

Location:
60 Halifax Street
Adelaide SA 5000

The seminar will feature three speakers sharing insights from different professional perspectives.

Lin Yuan from DDDI Group will discuss key considerations when selecting house and land packages and understanding contract structures. The session will provide an overview of the complete process, including land selection, home design, approval processes, staged inspections, completion and final handover, helping buyers better plan construction timelines and better manage budget and construction risks.

Alfredo Cabada from Complete Property Strategies will analyse the current property market cycle and market timing from a buyer's perspective. The session will cover how to assess location, floor plans, community amenities and future capital growth potential, helping buyers make more informed property decisions and avoid common purchasing mistakes. Bruce Chen from Prime Path Mortgage will provide an overview of the complete property purchasing process from loan pre-approval through to settlement. The session will cover first home buyer government grants and stamp duty concessions, as well as different lending products and interest rate options, helping buyers develop more suitable finance strategies.

Through the combination of professional perspectives from different areas, the seminar aims to help participants better understand the key stages of the first home buying journey, gain clarity on the steps involved and plan ahead.

FREE FIRST HOME BUYER SEMINAR

The First Home Buyer Roadmap

**What You Need to Know About
Finance, Property and Building Options**

Practical guidance from three experts
to help you start your journey with confidence.



Lin Yuan
Cyberbridge Group

**House & Land Packages
and the Building Journey**

- Land selection
- Contracts & costs
- Building stages & risks



Alfredo Cabada
Complete Property
Strategies
**Choosing the Right
Property as a Buyer**

- Market research
- Property assessment
- Negotiation strategies



Bruce Chen
Prime Path Mortgage

**Getting Finance-Ready
for Your First Home**

- Home purchase journey
- How to get the money ready
- Government grants available for you

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