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Strong Development Outcomes Highlight a Year of Growth Across the Region

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Council is celebrating another strong year of growth and investment, with new figures from the 2025–26 financial year demonstrating continued confidence in the region as a place to live, invest and do business.

During the financial year, Council approved **286 new dwellings**, including **230 homes** within the **Roseworthy Township Expansion (RTE)** area, helping to meet growing housing demand and support the region's future growth.

The value of development approved across the council area reached **\$243.47 million**, representing a significant investment in the community, of this, **\$127.32 million** was attributed to **new housing projects**, highlighting the continued focus on **residential development and the delivery of new homes**.

Council also **maintained an exceptional level of customer service and regulatory performance**, with **98.51 per cent of development applications** processed within statutory timeframes.

A total of **785 development applications were lodged** during the 2025–26 financial year, reflecting ongoing development activity across residential, commercial and community sectors.

In comparison, **876 applications were submitted in 2024–25**, when the total value of development reached **\$204.52 million**.

Mayor Bill said the figures demonstrate strong confidence in the region's future. "These results show that our region continues to attract significant investment and new residents, with more than **\$243 million in development** value approved over the past year.

Light Regional Council is proud to play its part in addressing the housing crisis by supporting growth that creates opportunities for families. With a strong sense of community, a great lifestyle and a growing economy, our district continues to attract families looking for the best of both worlds."

Importantly, our planning team has continued to deliver excellent customer service, processing almost **99 per cent of applications on time** despite managing hundreds of development applications throughout the year."

Mayor Bill

"Congratulations to Council's Planning Team for achieving an outstanding 99% on-time assessment rate across 785 development applications. This exceptional result reflects the team's professionalism, efficiency and commitment to supporting growth in our region."

Council's Planning and Development team also managed **29 public notification processes** during the financial year, ensuring community members had opportunities to provide input on developments requiring broader consultation.

Mayor Bill said public notification is undertaken in strict accordance with planning legislation, with notification requirements determined by the Planning and Design Code.

Planning staff can only publicly notify applications when required by the Planning and Design Code. Council must assess applications in accordance with the legislation and cannot choose to notify applications where notification is not required under the Code.

Key 2025–26 Planning and Development Highlights

- 286 new dwellings approved
- 230 new dwellings approved within the Roseworthy Township Expansion area
- \$243.47 million in total development value approved
- \$127.32 million in new housing development value approved
- 98.51% of development applications processed on time
- 785 development applications lodged
- 29 applications underwent public notification

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