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We want to make the process of purchasing a block of land in The North Quarter as easy as possible for you and should you do so ensure your investment is protected by some common sense design guidelines that enhance the estate. The information that follows applies to all stages and is provided to help you with your purchasing decision.

## **CROSS OYERS**

A modified roll over curb is being used for most streets at The North Quarter to form the gutter. This means you can locate your driveway in the position that most suits your house design provided it does not interfere with the essential services placed in the road reserve that provide the services to your home.

## TIME TO BUILD

At The North Quarter, there is no limitation placed on how soon you must build.

## **COVENANTS**

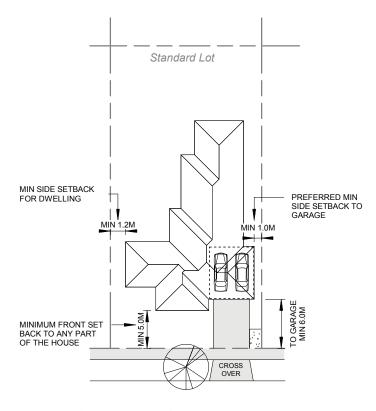
The Covenants at The North Quarter have been developed to provide purchasers with the flexibility to build to their desired taste while providing sufficient controls to protect everyone's investment.

While the full legal requirements are contained in the Covenants that form part of the contract of sale, below is a plain English explanation of the key points. Before you purchase you should confirm what is contained in the Covenants with your conveyancer.

#### STANDARD LOT SET BACKS FOR DWELLINGS

The minimum front setback to **any** part of the house is 5.0 meters from the front boundary. The minimum setback for a Garage is 6.0m.

To enhance the liveability for all purchasers at The North Quarter, unless specifically detailed in the Covenants the minimum side set back to any part of a dwelling is 1.2 meters.



1. Set Backs for Standard Lot

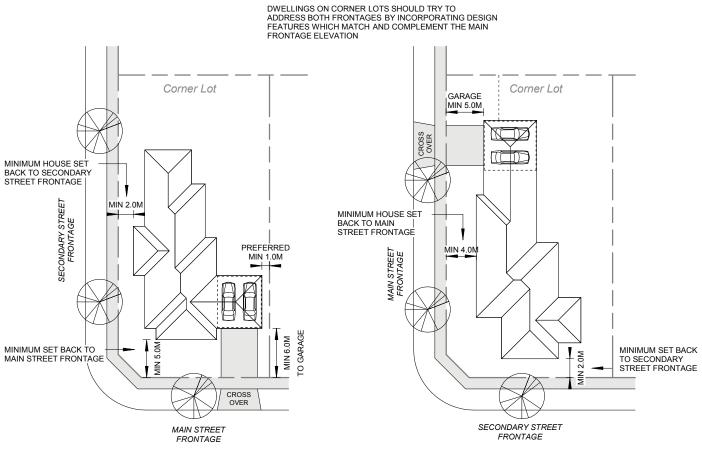


#### CORNER LOT SET BACK

Corner lots have a prominent role in the streetscape. Corner lots have a main street frontage and a secondary street frontage. The main frontage can be either the short or long side of the lot. Corner elevations should aim to address the secondary street by incorporating design features which match and complement the main frontage elevation. Where the main frontage is to the short side, the minimum setback to **any** part of the dwelling is 5.0 meters from the front boundary (See Figure 2). Where the main frontage is to the long side the minimum setback to any part of the dwelling is 4.0 meters (See Figure 3).

The minimum setback for a Garage on the **short** side of a corner lot is 6.0m.

The minimum setback for a Garage on the **long** side of a corner lot is 5.0m.



2. Set Back for Corner Lots Short Boundary as Main Street Frontage 3. Set Back for Corner Lots Long Boundary as Main Street Frontage



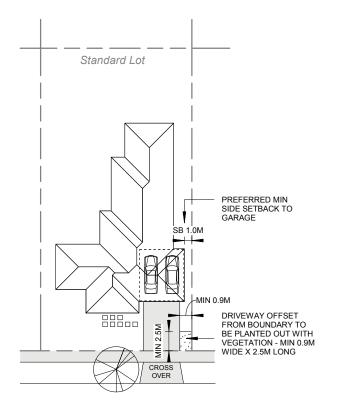
#### SIDE SET BACKS FOR GARAGES

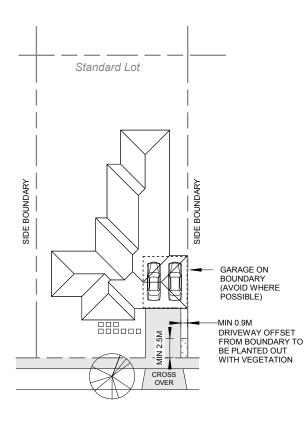
Zero side setbacks for garages are **not encouraged**, and where possible garages should be offset from the side boundary by a minimum of 1.0 meter. Where unavoidable, a garage may be located within 200mm of the lot side boundary.

# SETBACKS BETWEEN DRIVEWAYS & SIDE BOUNDARIES

To encourage an open, parkland like feel to the estate, a planting bed of a **minimum** 0.9m wide and 2.5m long must be provided between the side boundary and any driveway. This will add shared landscape to the street network and enhance the value of the neighbourhood for all residents.

Prior to construction, a minimum 50mm PVC pipe conduit should be placed under the driveway to facilitate pipework for irrigation.





2. Driveway Offset for Garage on Boundary



#### HOUSE SIZE

Unless otherwise specified in the Stage Covenants, the minimum house size on all lots in all stages is 170 m<sup>2</sup> of living space as measured to the outside of walls that bound the living space. Garages, Alfresco's, Verandas, Porches and the like do not count toward the 170m<sup>2</sup> minimum. **Please check with our Estate Agents for stage specific guidance.** 

#### GARAGES

Garages must be incorporated into the main roofline of the dwelling to reduce the visual impact the garage has on the façade (See Figure 5 for examples).





5. Accepted Garage Design

#### HOUSE MATERIALS

Diversity in the front façade and external walls of dwellings adds to the visual interest and character of the neighbourhood. This can be achieved through the articulation of external walls, colour, materials, and texture.

Colours, materials, and texture should be natural in theme, sympathetic to and draw inspiration from the local environment.

External wall materials should be selected from the below list and arranged in a complementary combination:

- Face brickwork
- Rendered, bagged or painted brickwork
- Painted weatherboard or metal cladding
- Natural timber
- Natural stone
- Rammed earth
- Glazing/windows

Face brickwork, rendered, bagged, or painted brickwork, natural stone, natural timber, rammed earth, and glazing should form no less than 50% of the façade materials.

Parts of a building or materials that have been previously erected in another location or second-hand building materials are unable to be used in the construction of any dwelling, except for recycled brick, which **is** acceptable.



#### FENCING GUIDELINES

Fencing has a significant influence on the feel of a residential precinct. At the North Quarter we aim to enhance the streetscape by incorporating some modest fencing requirements that will add value for all who live in the estate.

#### FENCE COLOUR

All new rear and side fencing is to be Colorbond Grey Ridge (Woodland Grey) in the Neetascreen profile.

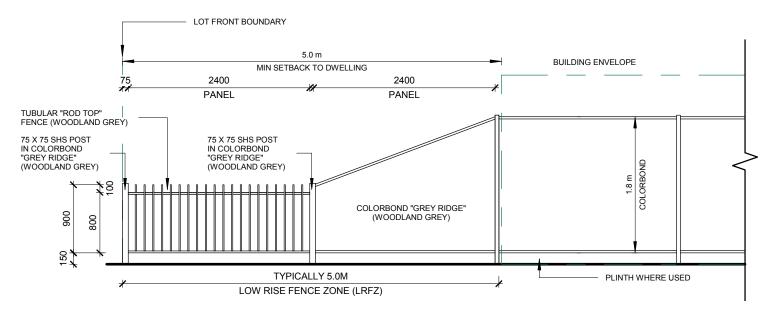
#### FENCING HEIGHT

The height of the Colorbond portion of the fence is to be 1.8m. The fence may incorporate a 150mm base plinth to make an overall height of 1.95m.

The first 5 meters of the side boundary fence is to include a low-rise fence zone (LRFZ) comprising a ~2.5m section of **900MM high tubular rod top style section** and a subsequent 2.5m section of Colorbond sheet that tapers up to full side fence height.

75 x 75mm SHS posts, powder coated Colorbond Woodland Grey are to be used at each end of the tubular section.

Over time it is anticipated that plants will grow to hide the LRFZ, creating a broad, well vegetated streetscape, that will add value to the neighborhood for all residents



6. Side Fencing Treatment at Front Boundary

#### FRONT FENCING

Fencing to the **main street frontage** is not permitted.

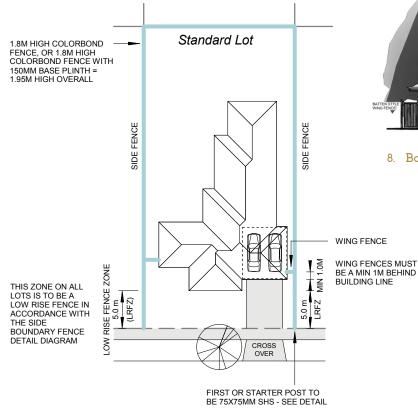
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#### WING FENCES

Wing fences are to commence a minimum 1 meter behind the building façade facing the street. Wing fence materials are encouraged to be batten style or in keeping with the materials used on the house facade.

Any wing fence made of colorbond steel, must be Woodland Grey in colour.







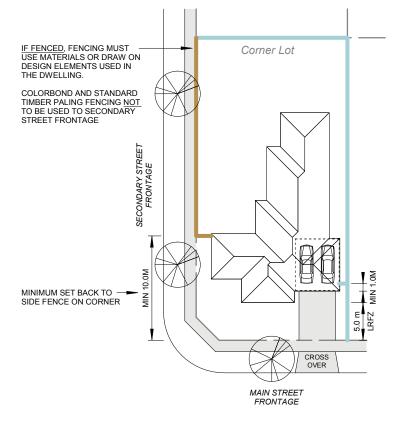
8. Batten Style Wing Fences



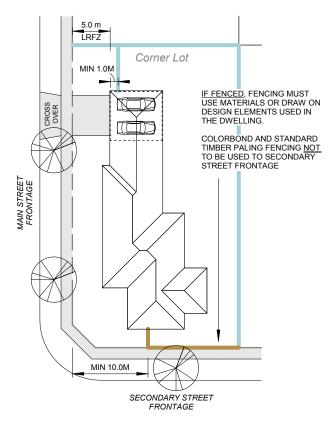
#### FENCING CORNER LOTS

Only fencing to a **secondary street frontage** of a Corner Lot is permitted. If fencing is required to the secondary street frontage on a corner lot, the fence must use materials, or draw on design elements, used in the dwelling. Fencing to the secondary street frontage must be set back a minimum of 10.0m from the front boundary of the main street frontage to the allotment (See Figure 10).

Colorbond Neetascreen fencing or standard timber paling fencing cannot be used for fencing a secondary street frontage.



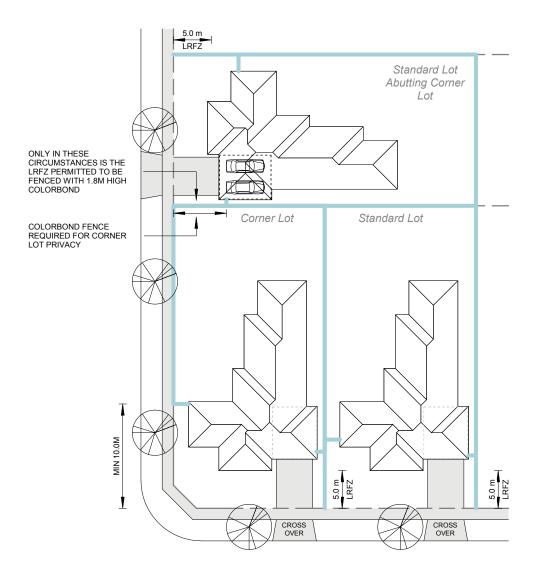
9. Corner Lot Fencing Short Boundary as Main Street Frontage



 Corner Lot Fencing Long Boundary as Main Street Frontage

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11. Fencing Guidelines for Lots Abutting Corner Lots



#### SHED SIZES

Unless otherwise specified in the stage covenants, the maximum shed size for lots up to 999m2 is 80m2. For lots of 1000m2 or more the maximum shed size is 100m2. **Please check with our Estate Agents to confirm**. The maximum height is 4.2m. The external cladding material is to be either Colorbond Bushland or Woodland Grey steel sheeting.

The minimum setback for any Shed on a corner lot is **6 meters**.

Sheds should be located so their facades are not easily viewed from the street.

## **TESLA BATTERY SCHEME**

The North Quarter is committed to a renewable energy future. To help achieve this we've partnered with local renewable energy business, Future NRG to help you harness the power of the sun via one of Tesla's Powerwall 13.5kw Rechargeable Batteries.

Tesla's Powerwall is a high capacity, 13.5-kilowatt battery that stores energy from your solar installation that you can use when the sun goes down, which reduces your carbon footprint and your reliance on the grid during power outages.

A Tesla Powerwall usually retails for around \$16,500, but as of Dec 2024, with rebates, interest free loans, and developer contributions, each North Quarter lot purchaser will pay only **\$3,950 upfront**.

TOTAL VALUE:	\$16,500
VIC SOLAR INTEREST FREE LOAN:	- \$8,800
DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTION:	- \$3,000
TESLA REBATE:	- \$750
UPFRONT COST TO PURCHASERS:	= \$3,950

This is a wonderful opportunity to embrace renewable energy and enjoy substantial savings through the developer rebate scheme, the generous loan terms offered by the government and of course the lifetime of savings that come from using renewables as the energy source for your home.

The scheme agreement is between the initial lot purchaser and The North Quarter and is available when installed at the time of new home construction. If the vacant land is on sold the scheme is not available to the new purchaser without the consent of The North Quarter.

## **ON-SELLING OF LAND**

The North Quarter has a vision for the estate as a highquality home environment for the people of Shepparton. With the property market running strong, there are some instances of speculators seeking opportunities to profit from the resale of vacant lots. To discourage this and avoid the unsightly preponderance of resale signs, "FOR SALE" signage and like marketing material can not be positioned on the property for a period of 2 years following the issuance of title.

For the same reasons, lots are not permitted to be sold during the contract period and prior to the transfer of title from The North Quarter to purchasers except for genuine circumstances whereby consent of The North Quarter may be provided.

## **BUILD YOUR FUTURE**

As you can see, we want to make building at The North Quarter as stress free as possible, and ensure the neighbourhood you live in is one all residents can be proud of and that your investment is protected.

We hope the information in this guide provides you with the confidence to choose The North Quarter for you and your family.

All these details and more are available on our website at: www.thenorthquarter.com.au

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your future.

## PURCHASING A BLOCK

You've decided The North Quarter is the place for you, so now what do you do?

The team at **Gagliardi Scott Real Estate** (our partner selling agent) is there to help make your purchase as simple and stress free as possible.

To get your purchase underway they will need to discuss and establish some basic details. You can give them a call or drop them an email.

#### TYPICAL INFORMATION REQUIRED

- The name, address and contact detail of the person or persons you want to purchase the property in.
- The name and contact details of your conveyancer or solicitor.
- Whether you need finance to purchase the block, whether that finance is in place, and the name of the finance provider.

- Confirm any other particulars of the sale.
- Confirm the deposit amount (10%) and the timing for it to be paid.
- Confirm with you the timing for when settlement of the purchase is to take place.

#### SELLING AGENT DETAILS:

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### DEPOSIT ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Gagliardi Scott Real Estate Trust Account BSB: 083 894 A/C: 85865 9279

#### CONTRACTS

As soon as these details have been established, contracts will be prepared and sent to your conveyancer. Your conveyancer should then make a time with you to discuss the contract, clear up any information, have it signed and return it to our solicitor.

To ensure you secure your purchase it's important the deposit is paid and your conveyancer return the signed contracts within 10 business days of receiving them. We will then sign the contracts and our solicitor will return your copy to your conveyancer.