

## **Council Looking For Energy Smart Housing**

Newcastle council plans to invest \$3 million in an energy smart, demonstration housing project in the city.

It wants to partner with a property developer to showcase energy efficient design and is seeking expressions of interest in its Building Better Cities Housing Program.

Newcastle Lord Mayor John Tate says he is hoping for some innovative housing ideas from the private sector.

“I don’t think it has to be a landmark in its look, but it certainly needs to be landmark in terms of the way we would employ the efficiency programs, energy, power, insulation, water reticulation, ventilation,” he said.

“We’ve got to continue to look at new and better ways to do things, to conserve energy and this is part of council’s contribution to that.”

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