



Quest Apartments to add \$2.5 million a year to Singleton economy

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Quest Serviced Apartments has opened its doors in Singleton, generating hundreds of jobs and injecting an estimated \$2.5 million a year into the local economy.

The new property, which opened on May 11, will help invigorate business in Singleton and provide high-end accommodation to the Hunter Valley's rapidly expanding commercial hub.

Quest Chairman, Paul Constantinou, said that during construction, the project had generated 200 jobs and brought an estimated \$10 million to the region, supporting local suppliers and providers in the process.

The new complex will service the accommodation needs of the \$4 billion local mining industry, defence personnel and regional tourism.

"We understand just how important it is to contribute to the town, both in economic terms and providing the level of accommodation required to meet the growing needs of industry in the area," Mr Constantinou said.

The upgrade of Singleton's army base, construction of the Hunter Expressway, \$130 million being spent on the new railway line and the expansion of nearby coal mines, means that accommodation in Singleton will be critical.

Singleton Council economic development manager, Don Gray, said the new Quest opening showed a confidence in the future of the region.

"Quest accommodation is a much-needed adjunct to the mix of rental accommodation already available," Mr Gray said.

"It will set the benchmark."

Quest Singleton is a modern 4.5 star property, featuring 35 two and three-bedroom serviced apartments spread over three levels. The property includes on-site car parking, gym, conference facilities and an al fresco BBQ area.



Located close to the centre of town at 5-7 Civic Avenue, Quest Apartments boasts fully equipped kitchen and laundry facilities, plus broadband internet access. It will also offer chargeback at a selection of local restaurants.

“Quest will have everything the business traveller needs. It will suit people staying for shorter periods and will feel like a home-away-from-home for those who want to stay longer,” Mr Constantinou said.

At a glance

Construction started: 1 August 2008

Cost of development: \$10 million

Date opened: 11 May 09

Number of staff currently employed: 12

Accommodation type: 4.5 star serviced apartments

Address: 5-7 Civic Ave, Singleton

Business structure: franchise

About Quest Serviced Apartments

Quest has become Australasia's largest provider of serviced apartments, with more than 120 properties across Australia, New Zealand and Fiji. Established in 1988, Quest offers stylish, well appointed and spacious apartments designed with the business traveller in mind.

With separate bedrooms and living areas, fully equipped kitchens, additional amenities and high service standards, Quest provides flexible accommodation that allows its guests to work or relax in complete comfort.

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