



**Somerfield Estate
Keysborough**

Once home to market gardens, Somerfield Estate is a 1700 lot residential development by Intrapac & Brencorp, located in Keysborough, 25 kilometres from Melbourne's CBD

Tract Landscape & Urban Design were involved in the development of Somerfield Estate from early Urban Design and Vision planning, through to the overall Estate Landscape Masterplan, which realised a goal of 20% open space.

Tract continues its involvement with the estate, translating the Masterplan vision into sensitively landscaped open spaces, wetlands, tree reserves and streetscapes, and incorporating remnant vegetation throughout the site.

The estate fosters pedestrian and cycling networks which connect all linear reserves and open spaces throughout the development.

The three main linear reserves contain drainage lines which rehabilitate natural waterways, and wetlands for storm water run-off. Their open spaces contain areas for passive recreation, and pockets of existing vegetation dispersed with revegetation zones, assisting in habitat protection for wildlife.

Outdoor fitness stations will promote active recreation and provide residents with an alternative to the gym.

The estate aims to set a benchmark for sustainable land development through adding quality touches such as a *Third Pipe Water System*, providing recycled water to residents, and to irrigate the significant landscaped reserves and open spaces.

In November 2011, Somerfield Estate received official certification as an EnviroDevelopment in three elements: ecosystems, water and community.

It is the first development to receive EnviroDevelopment certification under the new UDIA national standards.