

Meeting the challenge of dementia in Australia

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The challenge for
health services
in Australia.

A huge country with
a small population.



The direction of Australian Government support for Aged and Dementia Care

2019-2020 Budget

Significant investment
in new ways of
delivering care.



Dementia in Australia

Dementia is 2nd leading cause of death in Australia

- 5.4% males
- 10.6% females



2016 – Dementia was the leading cause of death for females
Females accounted for 64.4% of all dementia related deaths

In 2018 there are 425,416 Australians living with dementia

- 191,367 males (45%)
- 234,049 females (55%)

Without a medical breakthrough the number of people with dementia is expected to increase to 536,164 by 2025 and 1.1 million by 2056

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**Black Mountain
Care Farm**





Palliative care suites overlooking lake



Chapel and central facilities



Vege gardens and reflective spaces



'Modern farm style' Dementia houses



AREA SCHEDULE

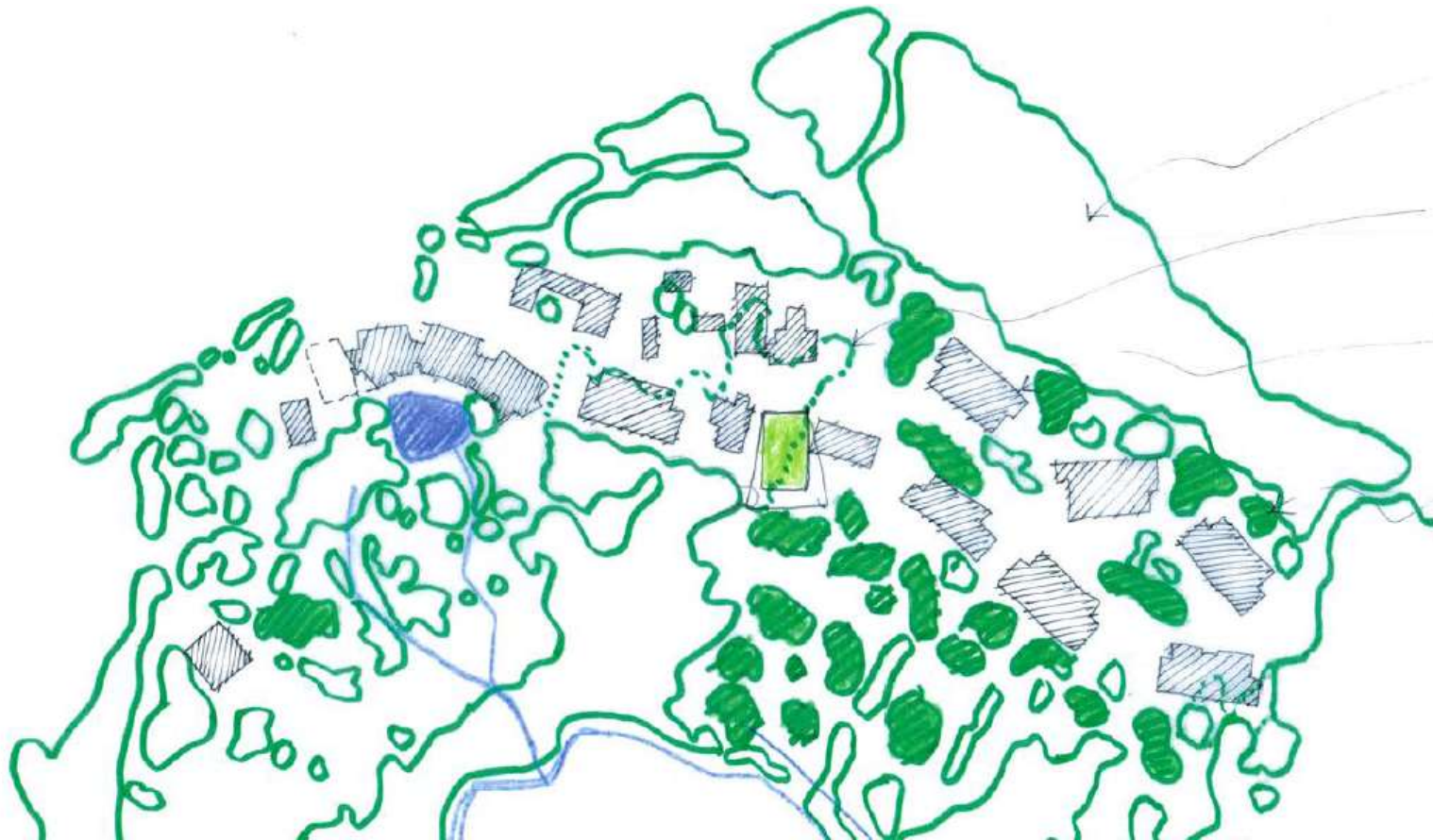
BUILDING		
Dementia Care	688.8m²	
Respite Care	688.8m²	
Day Respite	492.01m²	
Palliative Care	1367.4m²	
Central Services	328.99m²	
Chapel	275.84m²	
Community Hall	272.14m²	
Existing Residence	193.84m²	
Total GFA	4996.62m²	
Carpark Bays	53	

- KEY
- Existing Vegetation Footprint
 - Vegetation Regeneration Zone



KEY

1. Central courtyard with chapel area
2. Palliative Care
3. Day Respite
4. Respite Care
5. Central Services
6. Dementia House
7. Chapel
8. Community Hall
9. Nature Study Centre
10. Substation
11. Grounds Service Store
12. Fire Tanks/Pump Room
13. Caretaker's Residence / Existing
14. Aviary
15. Kitchen Gardens
16. Flower Garden
17. Animal Yard
18. Stable
19. Chicken Pen
20. Fire Pit



SURVEY +
REMOVE WEEDS
+ INTRODUCED
SPECIES

CLEARING OF
EXISTING
WHERE REQUIRED
FOR NEW
BUILDINGS

ADJUST LOCATION
OF BUILDINGS +
PLATFORMS TO
RETAIN EXIST.
TREES WHERE POSS

NEW NATIVE
PLANTINGS

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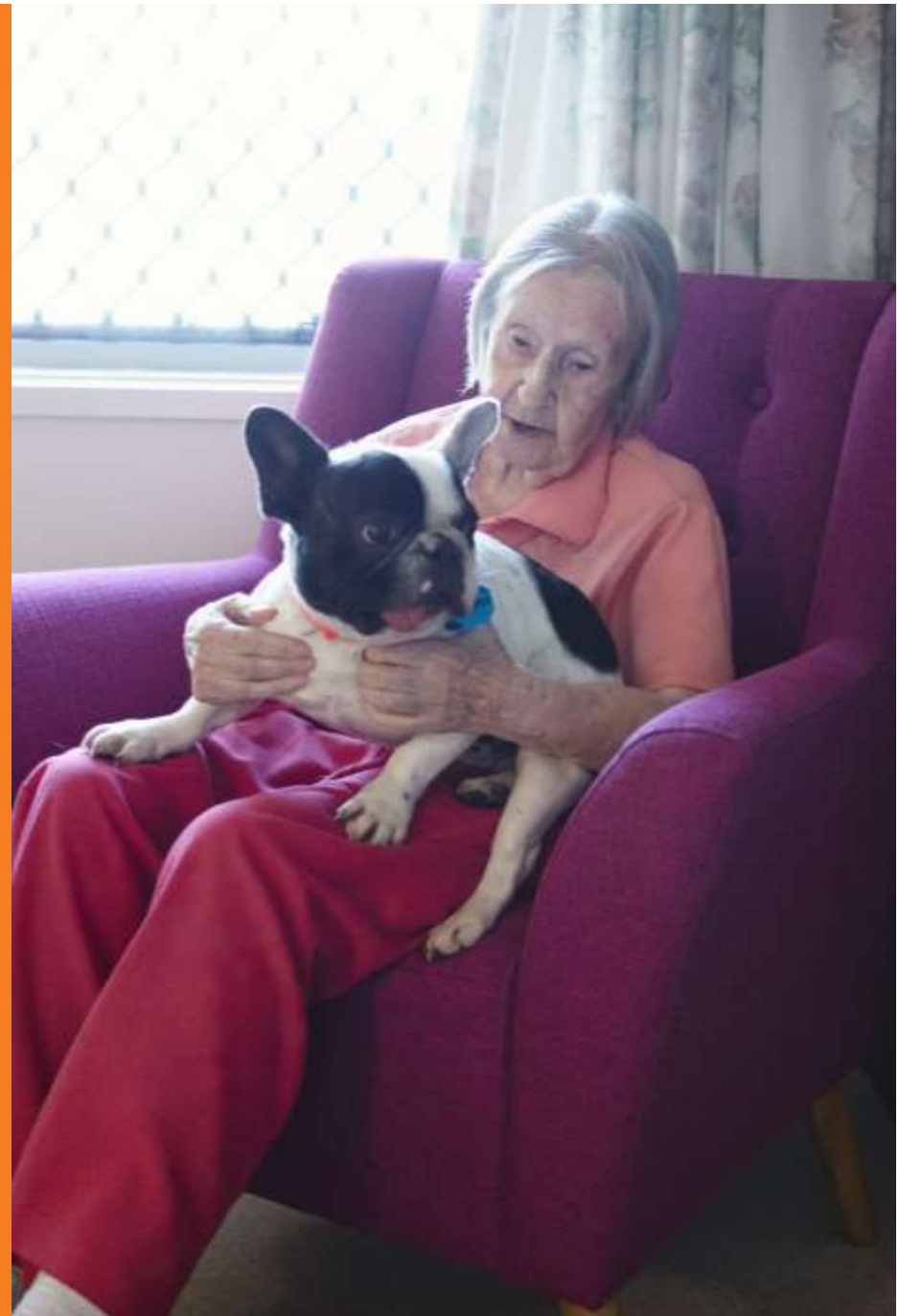
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Rural, suburban, and
urban models of care.



What is driving
innovation in
Australian
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Research supported
by Government
grants, charitable
trusts, and a robust
university sector.



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A flexible and highly
trained care
workforce.



Creating dementia friendly communities – improving care in existing communities



Creating dementia friendly communities

Where has this worked?



Conclusions

- Australia is facing the same issues in dementia care many other nations are, ie growing numbers of people living with dementia for longer.
- Growth in dementia figures has driven innovation both in existing services, and the development of entirely new models of service delivery.
- The aged care sector as a whole has worked hard to improve its ability to deliver increasingly complex and personalised care for people living with dementia.
- This proficiency with innovation in care is driven by market forces, and also by Australia's strong and comprehensive investment in dementia care, and supported by a robust and well equipped health workforce.