

Building consent sought for Addington complex

Business park project one step away from completion

By Joanna Cuttance

THE final part to a state-of-the-art business park being built in Addington has been given the go-ahead and is awaiting building consent before construction starts.

Known as Workstation 55, the whole project covers around 3.4ha at 55 Princess St and has been broken into five lots.



Ken Wimsett

Latitude Group, a privately owned New Zealand company specialising in commercial and retail property investments, are the developers.

Director Ken Wimsett said lot five, which is the final lot at this stage, is about 16,000 sq m of land with its own private road and is expected to accommodate about 6500 sq m of office space, 2500 sq m of warehouse area and 220 car parks.

They have now received all the resource consents needed for lot five and are awaiting building consent, he said.

When building consent is approved construction will begin immediately and is expected to take a year to complete.

The first stage of the business



A computer generated sketch of Workstation 55 from the corner of Princess St and Barry Hogan Place

park began in October 2005, virtually the day after the land was bought, he said.

Lots one, two and three were original buildings, which underwent interior and exterior refurbishment.

The Ministry of Education, New Zealand Statistics and an American electrical component manufacturer Eaton Power Quality are currently

in the first three buildings.

Building four is a completely new building, which was purpose built for Eaton Power Quality.

Eaton marketing and communications manager Fraser Taylor said Eaton DC headquarters for the telecommunications division has been located in Addington since 1994.

In spite of a choice of locations

to site a purpose built building this year, it was felt Addington was a good location as it was a progressive area with a lot of development occurring there in recent times.

Along with offices, plans include a restaurant/café and childcare centre when the project is completed.

Mr Wimsett said the Addington area is fast growing into a commercial business district.

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