Port Wakefield Defence Housing Upgrades



Project Profile



Client	Defence Housing Australia
Location	Port Wakefield, South Australia
Value	\$1.2 million
Duration	May 2017 to June 2017
Contract Type	Lump Sum Construct Only

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Defence Housing Australia provides quality housing and related services for Department of Defence members and their families. They are active in Australian residential housing markets, acquiring and developing land, as well as constructing and purchasing houses.

Defence Housing of Australia contracted Intract Australia to provide general building works to seven Defence houses in Port Wakefield, South Australia. The purpose of the upgrades was to extend the life of the property for another 15 years, modernising to market standard and modifying to meet current Defence requirements.







Scope of Work

Complete refurbishment of the seven Defence Houses including the installation of new joinery, kitchens, tiling, floor coverings, security screens, blinds and appliances.

Works included bathroom renovations, new split ducted reverse cycle air conditioning, solar hot water service, water efficient tapware, auto roller doors, repaint, outdoor covered patios, roof cleaning, re-bedding and repointing roof tiles, stormwater, landscaping with new irrigation, new gardens and garden bed edging.

Renovation works included design changes of existing bathrooms, arrangements to en-suite arrangements where possible and improvements to the upgrading of existing electrical to current electrical standards/ compliance. Issues with electrical services compliance were addressed by installing new residual current devices, pressure reducing valves and directional control valves to incoming services.

Local and Indigenous Participation

The project achieved a 25% Indigenous workforce participation. Majority of works were self-performed and the subcontracted works included air conditioning, blinds, plumbing and gas works. This was all sourced from local companies and the entire workforce was from South Australia.

