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New supported independent living apartments in the Riverland

Thirteen serviced independent living apartments in the Riverland will provide a new residential option for senior members of the community.

Officially opening the Kaesler Serviced Apartments in Loxton today, Regional Development Minister Geoff Brock said that the apartments offered independence with an added level of support, as part of the Riverview Lutheran Rest Home retirement village.

“These new apartments will provide secure living for residents seeking to live independently for longer, but having support close at hand,” Mr Brock said.

“They offer a niche service in between Riverview’s independent living units and the rest home.

“Construction of the apartments was supported by an \$800,000 Riverland Sustainable Futures Fund grant in 2014 with works undertaken by many local tradespeople.

“The project will create two local jobs,” Mr Brock said.

Chief Executive Officer and Director of Nursing at Riverview Lutheran Rest Home, Kathleen Goldsack said the new apartments would assist in the retention and attraction of residents to the Riverland area.

“We have received a great deal of interest in our new one and two bedroom apartments, which are located adjacent to our existing facilities,” Ms Goldsack said.

“This grant meant we were able to complete this project in an earlier timeframe, which means new residents can move into the apartments sooner.

“Kaesler Serviced Apartments are addressing the regional demand for safe, accessible and affordable retirement living, with easy access to service and health professionals if required.”

Riverview is a not-for-profit organisation specialising in retirement living and residential aged care.

The Riverland Sustainable Futures Fund invested \$20 million into 31 projects from 2010 to 2014, encouraging investment in existing businesses in the Riverland and assisting the region diversify its economic base following a prolonged drought, unprecedented low water allocations and low commodity prices.