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Parisian style for new aged care facility

Commercial construction company Badge has been awarded a \$15 million contract to build an upmarket residential aged care facility in Subiaco for the Berrington Care Group.

The new facility occupies a 5,000 sqm site on the corner of Salvado Road and Bishop Street and will consist of 112 studio apartments spread over three levels plus an undercroft car park.

Designed by Loughton Patterson Architects in an urban "Parisian" style the building features a mansard roof with dormer windows, stone quoining and wrought iron balustrading reminiscent of apartment buildings in Paris.

Earthworks have commenced and the facility is expected to be completed in early 2013.

Badge State Manager, Robert Woodforde, said the company had built a strong reputation in the aged care sector and was currently completing a 73 room facility at St Louis Estate in Claremont and a 138 bed facility in Yokine.

"The Berrington Subiaco project is a unique building due to its architectural style, the way it is laid out and the standard of finish specified," Mr Woodforde said. "It could easily be a three or four star boutique hotel with its studio apartments, restaurants, themed lounges and hotel-standard kitchen and laundry."

Architect Ken Loughton said everything about the facility was designed to set new benchmarks in the delivery of first class aged care accommodation and services.

"We set out to create a unique residence for older people who currently live in the western suburbs. We wanted a place where families felt very comfortable to visit, where privacy was assured and where the level of customer service and facilities would rival that of the very best hotels.

"That's why the rooms and ensuites are like studio apartments complete with kitchen facilities, outdoor living spaces, superb gardens and why we've chosen an architectural style that is distinctively elegant," Mr Loughton added.

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