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Sales wrap

A new Chinese entrant to the Sydney residential market, AUX Real Estate Development, has snapped up a 1682-square-metre triangular block of land at Willoughby Road, Willoughby, in Sydney's lower north shore for \$6.2 million.

The site, between Artarmon and Walter streets, has the potential for 20 apartments. It is also next to the Channel Nine site, bought by Hong Kong property group Euro Properties for \$147.5 million last year. AUX is a major diversified Chinese company whose main business is air conditioning manufacturing.

Celestial **Group**'s Zac Xiao handled the deal.

A local private developer has picked up a development site at 31-39 Norcal Road in Melbourne's Nunawading for \$7.4 million. The buyer plans to create an office-warehouse project on the 2.1-hectare industrial-zoned site. It is currently leased to Telstra, which has a telecommunications tower on the site, and Transfield for a total annual income of \$268,000.

Gray Johnson's Matt Hoath closed the sale.

A 2756 sq m development site at 65-69 Graham Street, Nowra in NSW south has sold for \$1.25 million through Ray White's Scott Baxter.

The private buyer, who acquired the site from a private investor, has commenced plans to build a 32-apartment complex at the site, which currently has three leased commercial buildings.

Permitted purchase

A local developer has paid \$3.35 million for a 6328 sq m site at 74-84 Hutchinson Drive, Lynbrook. south-east of Melbourne. The site, opposite the Lynbrook Village Shopping Centre, has been subdivided, with permits for 29 dwellings.

Knight Frank's Michael Hede and Ken Smirk sold the property under receivership with Cor Cordis.

Rocky Heritage sold

A local businessman has scooped up the Heritage Hotel in Rockhampton for \$1.4 million at auction. The property was under receivership.

The three-storey property features three bars, a restaurant with commercial kitchen, a gaming room, function rooms, a manager's residence and 20 hotel rooms.

Ray White Hotels' Leon Alaban and Brent McCarthy sold it vacant for FTI Consulting as receivers.

Investors traded a corner **site** leased to Magic Hand Car Wash at 1021 Burwood Highway, Ferntree Gully for \$2.3 million at auction. The 1617 sq m **property** is returning a net annual rent of \$132,000, a 5.7 per cent yield. Four bidders chased the **property**, which has redevelopment opportunities.

Gross Waddell's Raoul Salter and Jamie Stuart sold the property.

Key industrial buy

A local owner-occupier has **purchased** a modern warehouse on a 3100 sq m **site** at 10 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough for \$1.95 million.

The 1676 sq m building has a large front yard and car park.

Knight Frank's Stuart Gill brokered the off-market sale.

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West Australian business Whymark Nominees has sold an industrial office and warehouse facility at 3/8-9 Lagana Place, Wetherill Park, western Sydney for \$2.45 million to a private investor.

The <u>site</u> is leased to a national camping and fishing wholesaler, which has occupied the <u>site</u> for seven years, with two years left on its lease. The passing net annual rent is \$161,994 on a 6.6 per cent yield. LJ Hooker's Marcel Elias brokered the <u>sale</u>.

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A local investor has forked out \$4.76 million for a commercial retail investment anchored by Westpac on a long-term lease at Noosa Heads on the Sunshine Coast. The property has 10 other tenancies, including food outlets, fashion stores and travel businesses.

The 992 sq m property at 1 Arcadia Street has a net annual rent of \$318,000, a 6.6 per cent yield.

Ray White's Paul Butler and Paul Forrest marketed the property.

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A private investor has snapped up a Sleeping Giant-tenanted retail **property** at the Chirnside **Park** Homemaker Centre in Melbourne for \$3.2 million

CBRE's Rorey James, Josh Twelftree and Ryan Arrowsmith negotiated the sale of the 4/286 Maroondah Highway outlet for another private party.

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A private developer has acquired an industrial **property** at the Paramount **Estate** at 110 Castro Way Derrimut in Melbourne for \$1.25 million from Norway Pty Ltd. The one-hectare **site** will suit a new office complex. Colliers International's Stephen Ryan and Nick Saunders negotiated the **transaction**.

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... scooped up two whole-floor strata offices at 568 Collins Street, Melbourne, for \$1.18 million through Colliers International's Chris Ling, Oliver Hay and Daniel Wolman. Vendor Stamoulis **Property Group sold** the vacant A-grade 44 sq m office on level six and the 103 sq m office on level three.

Half-century sale

Local investors exchanged a **property** leased to a Thai restaurant at 450 Bridge Road, Richmond, Melbourne, for \$1.6 million on a 3.8 per cent yield. The **property**, not **sold** for 50 years, has development potential. Morley **Commercial**'s James Lie brokered.

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