

PAKENHAM EAST

Kala

All electric community – facts & benefits

As of the 1st of January 2024, new regulations came into effect resulting in the discontinuation of gas connections to new developments and the houses within them. In accordance with this Kala will be an all-electric community which has numerous benefits:

Sustainability

- Choose green energy generated from renewable sources and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Reduced cost

- The use of electric-only appliances in homes with solar panels can reduce energy bills by approx. \$1,250 a year when compared to houses with mixed appliances (Sustainability Victoria, 2024).
- Gas prices are expected to continue to rise due to supply constraints.

Efficient Appliances

- Although many enjoy cooking with gas, induction stovetops provide a great alternative offering increased efficiency, safer use and precise temperature control while not being detrimental to in-house air quality.
- Electric water heating systems are both cheaper and more efficient than gas hot water systems.

Safer Households

- No emission of harmful nitrogen dioxide & carbon monoxide that some gas appliances produce.
- A 2018 study reported that the use of gas stoves for cooking can be linked to approx. 12% of childhood asthma cases in Australia (Knibbs, L. et al, 2018).

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