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Showcasing the west of fashion

WESTSIDE fashion gurus will play a major role in the upcoming Mercedes Benz Fashion Festival at South Bank.

Nine local designers and retailers will be in the spotlight, including Jacqueline Buck Couture (Chapel Hill); Meow Meow, La La Latrobe, Sacha Drake and Maiocchi (Paddington); Rebecca Manning Swimwear (Toowong); Tengdahl (Indooroopilly); and Neon Heartache (Ashgrove).

Alexis Dawn designer Cherie Walker, of Indooroopilly, is making her debut at the festival, showing in the Queensland Government Design Innovation Group with seven other emerging designers.

Chapel Hill designer Jacqueline Buck, 28, will also make her debut.

"I'll be taking business to the next level," Buck said.

The festival is from August 7 to 13.

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WESTS BEST: Moira Duffy of La La Latrobe, Julie Tengdahl of Tengdahl, Jackie Buck of Jacqueline Buck and Jacqui Giltrow of Meow Meow.
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Houses of pain

By ANNA HILTON

17 units but just six car parks

THE State Government is building 17 public housing units at Sherwood despite a much smaller proposal being refused last year.

Sherwood residents said they were shocked at the \$3.6 million

plan for 17 one-bedroom units and just six car parks, on a 1500sq m block on Oxley Rd.

Housing Minister Karen Struthers said: "This is a great

location for social housing. It's within walking distance to trains and buses, shops and services, parks and schools."

Only six car bays were planned

because it was believed many of the tenants would not own cars.

Only 18 months ago a much smaller, private development on the site at 575 Oxley Rd was

knocked back by Brisbane City Council for safety and over-development concerns.

But the State Government is not bound by Brisbane City Council planning regulations, and residents have no avenues of appeal.

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