

District 2020 Fact Sheet

Project Specifications

- Overview:** District 2020 is being built to superior specifications to host the Dubai Expo 2020 event for six months. Following the closing of the event in March 2022, 80% of the world-class built assets will be repurposed for future use.
- Location:** Situated on the corner of Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Road and Expo Road, 45 minutes from two major airports, and 15 minutes from one of the world's largest container ports and Al Maktoum International Airport.
- Total Project Area:** The development will retain more than 260,000 sqm of GFA of LEED Gold and Platinum structures from Expo 2020 Dubai. These will be transitioned in phases into residential, commercial, and cultural neighbourhoods in District 2020.
- Key Dates:** Following a short re-purposing and transition period, District 2020 begins hand over to future occupants in Q4 2022 and continuing in a phased manner.
- Built Assets:** The main development construction has been completed in order to host Expo 2020 Dubai between 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022.
- More than 115,000 square meters of commercial NLA built and available to move in starting from October 2022
- Over 800 residential units to be handed over starting from January 2023
- Built assets will include LEED-certified commercial and modern residential units.
- In addition to the residential and commercial neighbourhoods, the built assets transitioned from Expo 2020 will include the Rove Expo 2020 hotel and iconic cultural attractions such as Al Wasl Plaza, the Sustainability Pavilion which will become Terra (Children and Science Centre), the Mobility Pavilion (Alif), the UAE Pavilion and others.
- Land:** 108 serviced land plots of residential, hospitality, commercial, and mixed use will become available for sale at a later date. The total GFA planned for build out is 2.6 million.
- Hospitality:** Two hotels planned, including Rove Expo 2020 Hotel which is operational during Expo 2020.

- Conference Centre:** The Dubai Exhibition Centre located at District 2020 will host global conferences and exhibitions throughout the year. The first phase of 45,000 sqm space has been built for use during the six months of the Expo.
- F&B:** Food and Beverage locations will feature throughout District 2020 with offerings in keeping with the overall health and wellness focus of the community.
- Amenities:** District 2020 will include health and wellness and community facilities such as:
- 10 km dedicated bike track
 - 5 km dedicated jogging track
 - 45,000 sqm of parks, and gardens incorporating water elements
 - Fully connected pedestrian walkways throughout the project
- Population:** District 2020 will continue to grow over phases and will have a population of 145,000 at full capacity.
- Metro:** District 2020 has a dedicated Dubai Metro stop “Route 2020” which operates on the Dubai Metro Red Line. Future extension planned to extend the line one stop to Al Maktoum International Airport.
- Accessibility:** District 2020 is directly accessible through three major arterial roads with purpose-built flyovers built prior to District 2020 occupation.
- Smart Mobility:** District 2020 will integrate a smart mobility facility to ensure ease of connections across the project through technology such as smart parking, public transit apps, and smart shuttle services.
- Transit Route:** A dedicated autonomous vehicle public transit route will link all major landmarks and hubs of the project by way of a 4km loop.
- Technology:** District 2020 will retain a highly connected and resilient digital infrastructure including a high speed redundant site network, extensive 5G and WiFi coverage, environmental sensors and IoT capability, site-based analytics systems, and an extensive range of systems to support events, facility management, visitors, tenants and security.
- The District 2020 site is served by two newly built Points of Presence providing the basis for network redundancy and resilience across the site.

Electricity: Three 132 KV substations have been constructed on site and will continue to service District 2020, supported by solar panels throughout the project.

Certifications: LEED certification for all built assets – The most widely used green building rating system in the world. LEED provides independent verification of buildings and neighborhoods green features, ensuring the design, construction, operations and maintenance of resource-efficient, high-performing, healthy, cost-effective buildings.

Eight projects across the site received CEEQUAL certification, with each one achieving the top ‘Excellent’ rating, spanning the Public Realm, Al Wasl Plaza, parks, shading and other infrastructure across the site. All certificates far exceeded the highest threshold, highlighting how the site has incorporated sustainable design principles across its buildings, infrastructure and landscaping.

Registered under the WELL Community Standard pilot by the International WELL Building Institute (IWBI) - A district-scale rating system centered exclusively on health and wellness that aims to set a new global benchmark for healthy communities.

Project Consultants

Architects: Foster + Partners: Alif -Mobility Pavilion
Grimshaw Architects: Terra – Children and Science Centre
Santiago Calatrava: UAE Pavilion
Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill: Al Wasl Plaza
Hopkins Architects: Residential & Commercial Districts

Masterplan: Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill
AECOM

Infrastructure: Parsons International

Public Realm: Asif Khan