



## Multi-million dollar beach shack resort

A RESORT development at Preston Beach will herald the return of the simple beach shack, according to developers.

The \$40 million beach shack resort will be built on a four hectare site close to the beach by property developer Rapley Wilkinson.

Architect James Christou said while the resort will reflect the tra-

ditional, casual holiday style of the area, the shacks will be stylish and bold. "Our designs reflect the ideal of simple beachside holiday fun in an idyllic setting but without the five-star cost," he said.

"The resort's landscaping design is simple and retains the mature trees on the site." The resort is 500m from the water and

sheltered by vegetated dunes.

Rapley Wilkinson development manager Darren Staunton said when fully developed, the resort would comprise 102 beach shacks and 28 bigger two-storey townhouses in a similar

style. Amenities would include a restaurant, heated swimming pools, tennis court, children's

playground and parking areas for boats and bikes.

Mr Staunton said that the fully equipped shacks

and townhouses would be strata titled and sold to investors and people wanting an inexpensive holiday home.

The resort is expected to be open and operating in 2007.



An artist's impression of the \$40 million beach shack resort