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Dear Sir/Madam

# WESTFIELD GROUP (ASX:WDC) WESTFIELD GROUP TO SELL INTEREST TO MEYER BERGMAN AND DEVELOP BRADFORD CENTRE

Please find attached a media release in relation to Bradford.

Yours faithfully WESTFIELD GROUP

Simon Tuxen Company Secretary

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The Westfield Group (ASX:WDC) today announced agreements to develop the Bradford centre (United Kingdom) and sell its interest to Meyer Bergman, a privately held specialist real estate investment management firm headquartered in London. The purchase of Bradford is being undertaken by Meyer Bergman together with two major Canadian pension funds.

On completion of the transaction, Meyer Bergman will become the owner of the Bradford site. Meyer Bergman will appoint Westfield to the development, design, construction and leasing roles for the new project. Westfield will also be appointed as property manager for the centre following completion of the development.

The £260m Bradford development, which is located in northern England, will comprise a 550,000 square foot retail centre. The Centre will be anchored by Debenhams, Marks & Spencer and Next and will include over 70 shops and places to dine.

Westfield will sell its interest in the site for a price which is in line with book value.

The transaction is subject to the commencement of the Bradford development, which is expected to occur in the second half of 2013.

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The Westfield Group (ASX Code: WDC) is an internally managed, vertically integrated, shopping centre group undertaking ownership, development, design, construction, funds/asset management, property management, leasing and marketing activities and employing over 4,000 staff worldwide. The Westfield Group has interests in and operates one of the world's largest shopping centre portfolios with investment interests in 105 shopping centres across Australia, the United States, the United Kingdom, New Zealand and Brazil, encompassing around 22,800 retail outlets and total assets under management of A\$62.9bn.

This release contains forward-looking statements, including statements regarding future earnings and distributions. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees or predictions of future performance, and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, many of which are beyond our control, and which may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the statements contained in this release. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on information available to us as of the date of this presentation. Except as required by law or regulation (including the ASX Listing Rules) we undertake no obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

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