

winner worth \$1.95m

forward by two weeks.

During the campaign, he saw through 150 groups at inspections and issued seven contracts.

Mr So said the market had been sluggish in the first two months of the year but had now picked up.

"Buyer inquiries have more than doubled in Strathfield and the surrounding areas," he said.

INVESTOR BEATS RESERVE

AN INVESTOR snapped up a three-bedroom house at 7 Albert St, Petersham, for \$1.585 million, smashing the reserve by \$135,000.

Four of seven registered bidder competed at the auction, which opened at \$1.2 million, and rose in \$25,000 and \$10,000 lots.

The successful buyer was a family who lived on the street and registered without seeing the home.

During the campaign, 111 groups inspected the house and 17 contracts were issued by Michael Harris and Duncan Gordon from Raine & Horne Newtown.

They also sold a three-bedroom terrace at 22 Egan St, Newtown, for \$1.6 million after it passed in at auction for \$1.54 million.

FIRST TIME IN 60 YEARS

A NORTH Strathfield home sold for the first time in nearly 70 years to an investor.



7 Albert St, Petersham.



Siblings Jill Gardner and Brian Robertson at their late parents' home at 16 Argonne St, North Strathfield.

Picture: CRAIG WILSON

The three-bedroom house at 16 Argonne St fetched \$1.76 million after six bidders competed for it.

Selling agents Roger Agha and Michael Poynting from Devine Real Estate Concord saw through 88 groups at inspections and issued 18 contracts.

Buyer feedback had ranged between \$1.5 million and \$1.6 million.

Devine Drummoyne agent Fayez Yammine also sold a three-bedroom home at 11a Tyler Crescent, Abbotsford for \$1.22 million.

YOUNG COUPLE UPSIZE

IN DRUMMOYNE, a town house at 3/15A Wrights Rd sold at auction for \$990,000.

Two of the three registered bidders competed for the property.

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with bidding opening at \$950,000.

The successful buyers were a young couple from Drummoyne looking to upsize from a unit.

Adrian Sereni from Warwick Williams Real Estate saw 63 groups go through the home and eight contracts were issued.

BUYERS RUSH AT TEMPO

BUYERS' demand for new apartments remains high, with a boutique development in Drummoyne selling \$100 million worth of off-the-plan units.

The first stage of Tempo by funds manager EG was released at the end of October and has now sold out. Prices for the units ranged between \$675,000 and \$1.6 million.

Selling agent Dennis Vertzaiyas from McGrath Projects said 75 per cent of buyers were locals.

"We have seen first-home buyers, second-home buyers, young families and even high-end downsizers choosing Tempo as their new home," he said.

Tempo comprises 164 apartments and is designed by multi-award-winning architects Fender Katsalidis Mirams.

Stage two of the development is released this week.

The sales suite at 48 Formosa St, Drummoyne, is open Thursday to Sunday, 11am to 4pm.

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7B/83 Homer St, Earlwood

Apartment offers knockout views

A NEWLY renovated apartment in the Links House building, designed by Harry Seidler, enjoys never to be built out views spanning across the Cooks River and the city skyline.

It has an open-plan living and dining area, a modern kitchen with stainless steel appliances, two bedrooms - each with built-in wardrobes - internal laundry and a large balcony.

The apartment is close to schools and shops.

It goes to auction on Saturday, April 16, at 10.30am with a price guide of \$650,000.

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