

Housing, Big Build and Manufacturing Committee

Estimates Pre-Hearing Question on Notice

No. 1

Asked on Tuesday, 9 July 2024

THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE
ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to page 2 of the SDS, will the Minister update the Committee on why the Miles Government adopted the National Construction Code 2022?

ANSWER:

The National Construction Code (NCC) is Australia's primary set of technical design and construction provisions for new buildings. Substantial changes are made every three years.

Changes introduced through NCC 2022 see overall improvements to safety and health, amenity and accessibility, and sustainability in the design, construction, performance and liveability of new buildings. Changes also continued work to make the NCC easier to understand, improve its structure, the user experience and make it more web accessible. Referenced Standards were also updated.

Examples of technical changes are: provisions relating to fire safety of early childhood centres and transitioning to lead free plumbing products from a safety and health perspective; clarifying waterproofing provisions for areas adjacent to baths and spas, and requirements for sanitary compartments for people with ambulant disability to support improved amenity and accessibility; and requirements to facilitate the future installation of on-site renewables and electric vehicle charging to support sustainability outcomes.

The NCC 2022 also introduced changes to the design of new homes, referred to as the Modern Homes standards.

This reflects community expectations for contemporary housing, covering two major aspects; liveable housing design to improve accessibility and residential energy efficiency to improve occupant comfort and minimise energy bills.

About one million Queenslanders live with a disability, including mobility limitations, and cannot easily find a home that meets their needs. While most people assume a house or unit should accommodate their daily activities, such as showering and going to the toilet, people with mobility limitations cannot make the same assumptions. In addition, with an ageing population, it is critical that homes being built today are suitable for Queenslanders into the future and promote a more inclusive society.

Changes to improve liveability include one step free entry to a home, slightly wider corridors and doorways, additional circulating space around a toilet, and provision behind tiles in bathrooms and toilets to allow for grab rails to be installed, if needed.

Energy efficiency changes raised the minimum level of thermal performance of new homes to the equivalent of 7 stars under the Nationwide House Energy Rating Scheme (NatHERS). Homes being built in Queensland right now are already averaging 6.6 stars energy efficiency. Queensland's existing outdoor living area optional credit has been extended state-wide for both new houses and units to take advantage of our favourable climate and lifestyle. That means that simply adding a ventilated outdoor area to an average home could take it to 7.6 stars - well above the national standard.

In determining implementation and transition timeframes, Building Ministers nationally gave serious consideration to the benefits that energy efficiency and livable housing provisions bring to Australian households, and to supporting industry to deliver these changes.

In August 2022, Ministers decided NCC 2022 would be available from 1 October 2022. Nationally, it was to commence on 1 May 2023, with a transition period to 1 October 2023 for the Modern Homes provisions for energy efficiency, condensation mitigation and livable (accessible) housing.

To support industry through the transition, the Miles Government implemented a further phased approach, with livable housing design standards commencing 1 October 2023 and Residential energy efficiency commencing 1 May 2024. This, combined with exemption arrangements for finalised designs and work in progress, allow industry to gradually adjust to the standards. In addition, the Miles Labor Government has committed to industry to conduct six and 12 month reviews to understand Queensland's experience and whether any changes need to be made.

Queensland's additional transitional arrangements include time limited exemptions for the livable housing design standards exempting houses on narrow lots (<12.5m frontage) and prefabricated homes (<55m² floor area) to ensure the liveability changes do not affect the delivery of homes on these sites to the market. Despite offering this transitional exemption for prefabricated homes to industry, this has not been relied upon for the Miles Labor Government's roll out of modular homes, which are entirely compliant with NCC 2022.

Overall, this approach ensures the key goal of improving accessibility can be achieved while at the same time addressing practical transitional issues raised.

Upfront investment in liveability features will save homeowners about \$18,800 for houses and \$20,260 for units by avoiding retrofit costs. For Queensland, the energy standards will provide an average energy bill saving of \$185 per year for new homes. At the community level, this will result in a net benefit of \$506 million to Queensland and reduce emissions by 4.63 million tonnes.

The modular homes delivered through the Miles Labor Government's Modern Methods of Construction Program comply with NCC 2022, evidencing that is it not only possible to build a compliant new home quickly and at a reasonable cost, but that doing so increases housing supply and can improve the economic and social participation in society of all Queenslanders by providing inclusive, comfortable homes for everyone.

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PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to page 1 of the SDS, will the Minister advise how the Miles Government has supported faith-based and charity organisations in developing social and community housing on their surplus land?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Government has a well-established history of partnering with faith-based organisations and the community housing sector to develop housing on land identified as suitable for development projects.

Since 2015 (as at 30 June 2024), 543 social and affordable homes have been contracted in partnership with faith-based organisations, including faith-based registered community housing providers (RCHP), supported by \$225.2M (GST inclusive) in State funding. Of these:

- 376 of these homes are being delivered on land that was offered by faith-based organisations; and
- 218 of these social and affordable homes have been delivered.

Four faith-based organisations have submitted proposals into QuickStarts Qld Round 2, including on land owned by these entities.

Evaluation and assessment of proposals received through QuickStarts Qld Round 2 are underway, with approvals and contracting to progressively commence from July 2024.

In October 2022, the Queensland Government amended the Planning Regulation 2017 to allow the Ministerial infrastructure designation pathway to be used for social or affordable housing, if the housing is proposed by a community housing provider or under a State-funded program.

Under this arrangement, on faith-based organisations' land, the Queensland Government has:

- approved 23 social and affordable dwellings for the Salvation Army
- commenced assessment for four projects comprising a total of 353 dwellings for Vinnies Housing (St Vincent de Paul) and Mission Australia
- endorsed a further three projects totalling 263 dwellings to proceed through the infrastructure designation process.

Homes for Queenslanders, released in February 2024, acknowledged that more needed to be done to unlock partnerships with private landholders and industry to facilitate more affordable homes on the ground.

To address this, the Queensland Government established the new State Facilitated Development (SFD) team to streamline the planning and development process and solve development and infrastructure issues that delay the delivery of new homes on underutilised land.

The new SFD team has also been tasked with testing different models of inclusionary planning under an Inclusionary Planning Pilot Program. These pilot projects will focus on new development with around 20 per cent affordable housing, and provide an opportunity for ‘affordable in perpetuity’ outcomes to be delivered in partnership with parties such as faith-based organisations.

The Queensland Government is engaging with the Yes in Faith’s Back Yard (YIFBY) advocacy group to understand how to better unlock development on faith-based land and based on feedback has revised the SFD criteria to include community facilities zoned land that might be unlocked for more affordable housing.

As a result, over 150 Expressions of Interest for SFD have been received, of which eight (8) proposals are from faith-based organisations proposing a total of 863 homes.

The Queensland Government is also encouraging local governments to bring forward proposed planning scheme changes through the new Fast Track Amendment process that is aimed at unlocking new and unforeseen housing supply on this type of land.

This will ensure councils can bring forward local supply solutions while preserving the chance for local communities to understand and have their say on changes being proposed on land that is currently zoned for community infrastructure such as schools, hospitals and parks.

The Miles Government will continue to work with faith-based organisations, including those operating as RCHPs, to bring forward much needed housing supply.

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QUESTION:

With reference to pages 1 and 2 of the SDS, will the Minister outline what measures the Miles Government has implemented to mitigate the rise in construction costs and support the housing industry?

ANSWER:

Through strong partnership with industry, the Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works (the department) is actively working to mitigate the rise in construction costs and support the housing industry.

Effort has focused on all elements of activity – from the planning framework, government project planning and delivery, supporting innovation and reducing administration costs, including through a more efficient and customer-focussed regulator.

A new State Facilitated Development Unit with a fast-tracked approval process (minimum 75 day turn around) was introduced with no development application fees and limited appeal rights for new homes. This new pathway provides certainty to deliver housing projects on the ground quickly.

The Miles Government is also investing in new homes via the \$350 million Incentivising Infill Development Fund. This fund supports market-ready projects which increase housing density in well located urban areas that are under-utilised or vacant.

By covering known infrastructure costs, this fund ensures local Councils receive sufficient funding for essential infrastructure and gives homebuyers more affordable and diverse housing options, in the places they live and work..

Through the \$300 million 2024-27 Works for Queensland Program (W4Q) the Miles Government will support the 65 councils outside of Southeast Queensland to deliver local infrastructure projects. This is the largest round of W4Q delivered to date and takes brings the total W4Q commitment from the State since 2016 to \$1.1 billion.

Further, there is ongoing broader work, coordinated through the Department of State Development and Infrastructure to enhance coordination of project pipelines to ensure project deliverability, as well as investment into the trades pipeline coordinated through the Department of Employment and Small Business and the Department of

Training and Skills Development. This includes initiatives like Free Construction Apprenticeships for all ages and Free Tools for First Years.

The Miles Government has partnered with industry through its Modern Methods of Construction (MMC) program, to deliver modern homes that are energy efficient, accessible and adaptive to the Government's housing needs. The MMC program allows for increased production speed and supports delivery certainty.

Through innovative construction methodologies, the Miles Government is realising efficiencies such as: higher volume roll-out, quicker project delivery, increased appetite for MMC and refinement of designs. It is expected further efficiencies will be achieved as industry continues to develop, which will result in quicker delivery and a further uplift in the MMC program.

To support the MMC program, the Miles Government has established QBuild Rapid Accommodation and Apprenticeship Centres which will provide training opportunities to QBuild's trade workforce. These centres will uplift the capability of QBuild through implementing efficient construction methodologies and innovative designs and facilitate MMC training opportunities for QBuild's trades and apprentices.

Support is also provided to the Independent Queensland Building and Construction Commission to regulate and empower the industry to get the job done. This includes administering the Queensland Home Warranty Scheme, which is a crucial safety net for Queenslanders building or renovating a home, as well as a Mediation and Conciliation Services pilot, which is aimed at delivering fundamental change and a low-cost alternative as part of the dispute resolution process.

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QUESTION:

With reference to pages 1 and 2 of the SDS, will the Minister inform the Committee about any funds or financial measures that the Miles Government has introduced to accelerate infrastructure delivery for new housing?

ANSWER:

Under the *Homes for Queenslanders* plan, the Miles Government introduced the \$350 million Incentivising Infill Development Fund (IIDF) to support diverse, affordable and well-located housing. The IIDF:

- Supports increased density in existing urban areas through infrastructure charge relief and development assessment fee waivers.
- Ensures councils are not financially burdened by infrastructure costs, preventing them from being passed on to homebuyers.
- Enables housing projects to be delivered that might otherwise have been delayed due to infrastructure funding gaps.

During the application period from June 10 to June 27, 2024, the IIDF received 226 applications totaling over \$350 million. This funding could potentially deliver more than 12,000 new homes and create over 4,000 new lots.

The Miles Government has approved 60 IIDF applications providing over \$52 million in infrastructure charges relief. This will deliver 1,488 dwellings and 72 additional residential infill lots in well located areas.

Additionally, the Miles Government recently launched:

- 2024-27 Works for Queensland
- 2024-27 South-East Queensland Community Stimulus Program
- 2024-28 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program

These initiatives will provide an additional \$515 million to support Queensland councils in delivering necessary infrastructure, including projects that facilitate increased housing supply.

The \$210 million SEQ City Deal Growth Area Compact, focused on Waraba City (formerly Caboolture West) supports affordable housing delivery. This initiative involves \$100 million direct funding from the Queensland Government, complementing Moreton Bay City Council's \$10 million contribution.

Since 2021, Queensland has allocated \$369.4 million through various co-investment funds to unlock land and bring forward up to 75,000 new residential lots:

- Catalyst Infrastructure Fund 2022 - \$171.2 million
- Building Acceleration Fund - \$122.7 million
- Growth Acceleration Fund - \$35 million
- Specific Greater Flagstone Catalyst Infrastructure Funding - \$31 million
- Original Ripley Valley Catalyst Infrastructure Funding approved since 2021 - \$9.477 million.

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THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE
ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to page 1 and 3 of the SDS, specifically the Social Housing register, will the Minister advise what is the average wait time for households for social housing, what is the process for allocating housing to those on the register, and what the Government is doing to support people on the housing register while they wait for an allocation?

ANSWER:

The average wait time for allocation of a household on the housing register as at 30 June 2024 is 21.2 months.

Similar to the current private rental market, the government-owned and managed social housing vacancy rate is low, at 0.34% for tenantable department owned and managed social housing (including headleases) as at 30 June 2024. This is in comparison to the private market vacancy rate for Queensland (published by REIQ as at 31 March 2024) at **0.9%**.

Social housing tenants are staying in properties longer, with an average government-owned and managed tenancy of 11 years. In comparison, the average private rental tenancy is 22 months for a house and 17.4 months for a unit.

Social housing applications are prioritised based on the level of need, for example, people experiencing homelessness, or domestic, family or sexual violence are prioritised over people who are already in a home.

We work with all customers to understand their specific needs, including those currently on the housing register, and connect them with services, products and supports to meet their immediate and longer-term housing needs.

This includes a range of products and services including emergency/temporary housing, bond loans, bond loan plus, rental grants, rent connect services and rental subsidies. In 2023-24 as at 31 March 2024, the department provided over 177,000 forms of support to Queenslanders to find, get and keep a home.

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**THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE
ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—**

QUESTION:

With reference to page 2, 7 and 11 of the SDS, will the Minister outline what the Miles Government is doing to increase housing supply across the state as part of the commitment to 1 million new homes by 2046?

ANSWER:

Homes for Queenslanders

In February 2024, the Miles Government launched *Homes for Queenslanders*, a 20 year whole-of-system housing plan backed by a significant \$3.1 billion investment to fast-track one million new homes by 2046, including 53,500 new social homes.

Homes for Queenslanders builds upon previous commitments outlined in the Queensland Housing Summit Outcomes (Outcomes Report) and the Queensland Housing and Homelessness Action Plan 2021-25 (HHAP).

It also builds on the Queensland Government's significant efforts to accelerate housing supply through planning reform, catalyst infrastructure investment, fostering innovative construction methods and supporting a strong Queensland construction industry.

Funding and Incentives

- Increased first home concession threshold on transfer duty to \$700,000 and vacant land concession to \$350,000, aiming to assist 10,000 first homebuyers annually.
- Doubled first home owner grant to \$30,000 for new homes until 30 June 2025, the most generous scheme nationally, aimed at boosting market supply for long-term housing affordability.
- Introduced tax concessions for build-to-rent developments that offer at least 10% of homes at discounted rents, alongside a \$70 million Build to Rent Pilot Program supporting three projects yielding approximately 1,200 homes, including up to 490 at reduced rents.
- In a 2-year trial, Queensland will raise the income eligibility threshold for the Housing Finance Loan to \$201,000 annually, aiming to support regional residents facing challenges in securing home loans due to location.

- Launched the \$350 million Incentivising Infill Development Fund (IIDF) to support over 12,000 new homes and 4,000 lots.
- Made \$366 million of infrastructure funding available since 2021 via the Catalyst Infrastructure Fund, Building Acceleration Fund, and Growth Acceleration Fund to unlock residential lots, facilitating the creation of 75,000 new lots.
- Opened the State Facilitated Development pathway and Inclusionary Planning pilot program to potentially unlock more than 30,000 dwellings.
- Creating the Distinctly Queensland Design Series to expedite delivery of gentle density homes and secondary dwellings.
- Introduced a \$12.5 million Scheme Supply Fund to assist councils in updating local plans for housing needs.
- Supporting social housing tenants to own their own home through our Sales to Tenants program.
- Provided \$200,000 to Western Queensland Alliance of Councils for 22 Local Housing Action Plans in 2022, followed by \$600,000 to the Local Government Association of Queensland in 2023 to expand the program to 38 more councils.

Regulatory and Legislative Reform

- Advanced legislation enabling the national Help to Buy scheme to assist approximately 8,000 residents in purchasing homes.
- Passed the Housing Availability and Affordability (Planning and Other Legislation Amendment) Bill 2023.
- Amended the planning framework to eliminate restrictions on secondary dwellings (granny flats), with 1,036 rental bonds held by the Residential Tenancies Authority as of 30 June 2024.
- Amended the Ministerial Infrastructure Designation process to facilitate social and affordable housing across the state by registered housing providers and funded programs resulting in approvals for 139 homes, 451 homes under assessment, and 690 homes in pre-lodgement phase across Queensland.
- Changed the planning framework to deregulate small-scale rooming accommodation and dwelling houses in lower density residential zones.
- Changed body corporate legislation to allow for the termination of economically unviable community title schemes, facilitating renewal and redevelopment efforts.

Planning

- Released the South East Queensland Regional Plan (ShapingSEQ 2023), including statutory dwelling supply and diversity targets, and established the ShapingSEQ Delivery Office to implement priority actions.
- As of 30 June 2024, 39 LHAPs have been completed and adopted by councils with 18 in final draft awaiting adoption, and 3 undergoing further development.

- Conducted a comprehensive audit of state government land for social and private housing development.

Workforce Development

- Rebuilding QBuild to grow trades-based workforce to 1,000 by 2026.
- Partnered with industry through the Modern Methods of Construction (MMC) program to deliver energy-efficient, accessible, and adaptable homes with increased production speed and delivery certainty.
- Established QBuild Rapid Accommodation and Apprenticeship Centres to enhance workforce training in efficient construction methodologies and MMC.
- Established the Queensland Construction Workforce Fund to support initiatives like the Free Tools for First Years program, aimed at boosting apprenticeship numbers, skilled workers, and overcoming workforce participation barriers.

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THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to page 6 of the SDS, will the Minister provide an update on the performance of the OIA to assess complaints within agreed service delivery timeframes?

ANSWER:

Last year our government passed the Local Government (Councillor Conduct) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2023. Our reforms to the councillor complaint system have made it stronger and provided clarity and efficiency to councils, and have been welcomed by councils and the LGAQ.

Councillors are seeing the effect of these reforms already. The number of matters awaiting hearing by the Tribunal has decreased from 66 applications as at 30 June 2023 to 6 applications as at 30 June 2024.

For 2023-24, the OIA timeframes were as follows:

- Assessment - 98% of complaints were assessed and the outcome communicated within 21 working days;
- Investigations - average time taken to investigate a complaint was 3.3 months (this includes time spent waiting for information from other parties, e.g. a councillor);
- Natural justice - average time taken to undertake a natural justice process was 4.88 months, reflecting the prioritisation of matters that opened prior to our reforms (this does not include three matters involving one Councillor which were intentionally held pending a decision by the CCT on a related application).

A comprehensive review process was undertaken by the former State Development and Regional Industries Committee whose report made 40 recommendations to improve the councillor complaints system.

In following with recommendation 1, for 2024-25 the OIA will be working to new target timeframes.

For simple complaints:

- complaints will be assessed within 7 working days.
- complaints will be investigated within 60 working days.

For complex complaints (involving a natural justice phase):

- complaints will be assessed within 7 working days.
- complaints will be investigated within 160 working days.

These timeframes reflect an "other party pause" function meaning the 'clock' stops counting when the OIA is awaiting certain information/action from another party such as a councillor or a councillor's solicitor. This will give a more accurate view of how long the Office of the Independent Assessor is taking to assess and investigate matters. These timeframes will continue to be monitored to ensure the councillor conduct framework is operating as efficiently as possible.

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THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to page 1 and 2 of the SDS, will the Minister advise what support the Miles Government has given to renters in Queensland?

ANSWER:

The Miles Government is committed to strengthening renters' rights to support households who rent in the private market.

That is why *Homes for Queenslanders* includes a \$160 million Renters Relief Package to help Queensland renters to find, get and keep a rental home.

The Renters Relief Package is already responding to changing need by providing more funding, expanded eligibility and new ways to help renters with immediate support, and enhanced private housing market products and services.

The Renters Relief Package has delivered:

- Increased income eligibility limits from 65% to 70% of the Queensland Adult Ordinary Time Earnings.
- Increased liquid asset eligibility limits from \$2,500 to \$5,500 for Bond Loans, Bond Loan Plus, Rental Grant, and Rental Security Subsidy to expand eligibility for these products.
- Increased financial expenditure and duration of assistance provided through the Rental Security Subsidy, extending the period of assistance to 24 months. For young people aged 25 years and under the assistance is increased to enable up to 48 months duration and a maximum value of assistance of \$20,000.
- A new repayable Bridging Bond Loan product which will assist households to meet the cost of a bond to establish a new tenancy while waiting for a refund on an existing lodged bond.
- Increased the Regional Discretionary Fund which provides a person-centred and tailored solution in the form of a grant to overcome specific barriers preventing a customer from accessing and sustaining an affordable and appropriate private rental tenancy.
- An additional 42 new frontline RentConnect Officer positions providing specialist customer service responses at Housing Service Centres around the State to support increased demand.

The *Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2024* which received Assent on 6 June 2024 also delivers initiatives

under the *Homes for Queenslanders* Support Queensland renters pillar and *A Better Deal for Renters* reforms agreed by National Cabinet, including reforms to:

- establish a portable bond scheme to allow renters to transfer their bond when relocating from one rental property to another;
- set clear expectations through a rental sector Code of Conduct to foster appropriate and professional practices in Queensland's rental market;
- help to stabilise rents by banning all forms of rent bidding and applying the annual limit for rent increases to the rental property not the tenancy;
- make it easier for renters to install modifications they need to live safely and securely in their rental home, extend entry notice periods and give renters confidence their privacy is protected;
- ensure renters have a fee-free option to pay rent, choice about how they apply for a rental property, receive utility charges promptly, and introducing a cap on reletting fees.

In addition to the Renters Relief package 35,443 households were assisted with private market products and services to allow them to access or maintain housing in the private rental market to the value of \$51.089 million in the 2023-24 financial year.

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THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE
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QUESTION:

With reference to pages 30 to 32 of the SDS, will the Minister provide an update on the average wait time for QBCC inspections?

ANSWER:

As at 9 July 2024, the statewide average wait time for a QBCC building inspection was nine weeks.

This represents a 55% reduction in wait times from the beginning of the 2023-24 financial year.

Despite continued high volumes of work, average wait times have been steadily reducing since the QBCC implemented a Building Inspection Wait Time Reduction Program in July 2023.

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THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to page 1 and 2, 23 to 26 of the SDS, will the Minister inform the Committee how the Miles Government is using Modern Methods of Construction to deliver homes across Queensland?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Government has partnered with industry through its Modern Methods of Construction (MMC) program to deliver modern homes that are energy efficient, accessible, and adaptive to the Government's housing needs. The MMC program allows for increased production speed and supports delivery certainty.

Homes constructed through the MMC program are future proofed – compliant with the 2022 National Construction Code changes for accessibility and energy efficiency.

Homes are built to an agreed standard and condition, designed to withstand the varied and robust environmental conditions experienced in Queensland.

With industry, Government has completed over 160 and delivered over 130 modular homes to sites across Queensland. Collaborating with industry through MMC is delivering a sustainable pipeline of well-designed and affordable housing that maximises the combined capability and capacity of the MMC industry in partnership with QBuild.

To support the MMC program, Government has established QBuild Rapid Accommodation and Apprenticeship Centres which will provide training opportunities to QBuild's trade workforce. These centres will uplift the capability of QBuild through implementing efficient construction methodologies and innovative designs and facilitate MMC training opportunities for QBuild's trades and apprentices. From 1 July 2024, these centres will complete over 50 homes per year.

Through the MMC program, the Government has delivered substantial outcomes for the benefit of communities across regional and remote Queensland.

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THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE
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QUESTION:

With reference to the Transport and Resources Committee Estimates pre-hearing Question on Notice NO. NG06 (2021), will the Minister outline the number staff (FTE) employed per the Queensland Building and Construction Commission (QBCC), broken down by division within the Commission and reported by the 2023/24 financial year?

ANSWER:

The QBCC implemented structural changes on 3 July 2023. The below table reports active Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) staff as at 30 June 2024 and according to the QBCC's current structure.

Division	2023-24 (Active FTE)
Office of the Commissioner (Corporate Support Services)	5
Customer and Strategy Division (Strategy & Business Intelligence, Customer Insights & Experience and Communication & Executive Services)	52.54
Financial Services Division (Finance, Procurement, Insurances Services, Facilities)	39.36
Digital and Information Division (Includes Architecture & Planning, Information Management, Digital Delivery, Enterprise Platforms and Service Management)	52.3
Human Resources Division (HR Services, People, Culture & Workforce Strategy and WHS)	24.33
Legal and Legislation Division (Legal Services, Policy & Legislation, Right to Information)	44.12
Integrity and Risk Division (Adjudication registry, Governance & Risk, Assurance)	48.8
Regulatory Standards and Support Division (Licensing)	112.14
Regulatory Operations Division (Resolution Services, Building & Technical Inspectorate, Building Safety & Standards)	189.66
Chief Building Regulator (Regional Services)	60.3

Regulatory Practices & Engagement Division (Regulatory Reform & Insights and QBCC Regulatory Academy)	30.88
Total	659.43

2023-24 data is as at 30 June 2024

Note: Board members are not included in data set.

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THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to QBCC inspections following a complaint for defective building work— Will the Minister advise the current average waiting time for the following, reported separately by QBCC region –

- a. defective building work inspections
- b. home warranty claim processing?

ANSWER:

Average wait time for defective building work inspections reported separately by QBCC region as at 9 July 2024:

Brisbane – 8 weeks
Gold Coast – 8 weeks
Sunshine Coast – 15 weeks
Toowoomba – 6 weeks
Maryborough – 9 weeks
Rockhampton – 7 weeks
Cairns – 10 weeks
Townsville – 7 weeks
Mackay – 9 weeks
Statewide average – 9 weeks.

Claims made under the Queensland Home Warranty Scheme are processed according to a statewide distribution of work model. As claims processing is assigned for assessment according to the QBCC's statewide distribution of work model, claims can be assessed by an Assessment Officer in any region across Queensland.

The claims acceptance time for defects claims opened after 1 July 2023 and accepted between 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 (FY2023-24) averaged 19 business days across the State.

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QUESTION:

Regarding applications to date for the Incentivising Infill Fund outlined on page 2 of the SDS, can the Minister provide a breakdown of the number of applications by local government area and the amount of funding sought broken down by local government area?

ANSWER:

The Incentivising Infill Development Fund (IIDF) was open for applications from 10 June 2024 until 27 June 2024. The below provides a breakdown of the applications received per local government area (LGA):

LGA	No. of applications	Funding sought
Brisbane City	87	\$ 170,322,070
Bundaberg Regional	1	\$796,898
Cairns Regional	9	\$16,840,478
Cook Shire	2	\$6,300
Fraser Coast Regional	5	\$6,619,000
Gladstone Regional	2	\$1,608,447
Gold Coast City	17	\$41,620,136
Ipswich City	15	\$24,548,727
Livingstone Shire	1	\$2,525,000
Logan City	11	\$9,241,652
Mackay Regional	1	\$893,199
Moreton Bay City	20	\$29,435,507
Noosa Shire	2	\$3,426,100
Redland City	11	\$9,289,659
Scenic Rim Regional	1	\$2,444,481
South Burnett Regional	1	\$167,370
Southern Downs Regional	1	\$240,000
Sunshine Coast Regional	23	\$19,365,637
Tablelands Regional	2	\$769,750
Toowoomba Regional	7	\$7,686,792
Townsville City	6	\$2,690,392
Whitsunday Regional	1	Value of funding sought was not included in application
Total	226	\$350,537,595

Housing, Big Build and Manufacturing Committee

Estimates Pre-Hearing Question on Notice

No. 14

Asked on Tuesday, 9 July 2024

THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Capital Programs for Local Government, can the Department report separately by program-

- a. the description of each project/initiative, the name of the recipient, level of funding provided in financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24 and proposed funding allocation in 2024-25; and
- b. identify the amount of carry over funding in each respective program and provide advice as to why funding was carried over?

ANSWER:

The major capital grants programs for Local Government administrated by the Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works in 2022-23 and 2023-24 included:

- 2021-24 Works for Queensland (W4Q 2021-24)
- 2021-24 South East Queensland Community Stimulus Program (SEQCSP 2021-24),
- 2022-24 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program (LGGSP 2022-24).

The approved projects for these programs are listed in the table below, which is based on information in the Department's grants management system as at 15 July 2024. Councils can submit variations to amend scope, vary project budget or remove projects.

Program	Council	Project Description	Approved Funding
LGGSP 2022-24	Balonne Shire Council	Drainage Plans- Mungindi and St George	\$249,999.98
	Balonne Shire Council	Capital – St George River Main Replacement Project	\$440,200.00
	Barcoo Shire Council	Barcoo Staff Housing	\$1,542,179.00
	Boulia Shire Council	Boulia Shire Staff Housing Project	\$1,562,640.00
	Bundaberg Regional Council	Moore Park Beach Master Plan Stage 2	\$2,943,271.65
	Burdekin Shire Council	Ayr Macroalgae Wastewater Treatment Project	\$3,512,318.40

Burke Shire Council	Burketown Health & Wellbeing Precinct	\$338,250.00
Cairns Regional Council	Cairns Resource Recovery 2040 Roadmap	\$250,000.00
Cairns Regional Council	Panguna Reservoir Refurbishment	\$422,714.71
Cassowary Coast Regional Council	Mission Beach Town Centre Revitalisation Project (Stage 2)	\$3,522,552.00
Cassowary Coast Regional Council	Cardwell Tropical Mountain Bike Trails Business Case	\$60,000.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Installation of Smart Water Meters at Capella	\$213,600.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Water Main and Reservoir Design	\$250,000.00
Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council	Cherbourg Community Centre and Council Offices Planning Project	\$474,329.00
Cook Shire Council	Lakeland Infrastructure Planning Study	\$150,000.00
Croydon Shire Council	Kitchen, Bathroom and flooring	\$90,000.00
Croydon Shire Council	Asset condition assessment of the Administration Building	\$27,000.00
Diamantina Shire Council	Asset Condition Assessment - CCTV Sewer and Storm water networks (Bedourie & Birdsville)	\$144,000.00
Douglas Shire Council	Fixed Asset Management System implementation	\$243,472.98
Flinders Shire Council	Flinders Discovery Centre Museum Expansion and Upgrade	\$528,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Open Space and Environment Accessibility Audit	\$36,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Hervey Bay Aquatic Centre Master Plan Implementation Stage 1	\$3,556,872.00
Gladstone Regional Council	Wastewater Treatment Plant Asset Growth Plans and Masterplan for Gladstone, South Trees, Calliope, Boyne Island, Tannum Sands.	\$250,000.00
Gold Coast City Council	Palm Beach Aquatics and Community Centre New 25m pool	\$1,950,000.00
Goondiwindi Regional Council	Village Reservoir Mixer Installation	\$156,000.00

	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Inglewood Reservoir Roof Replacement	\$420,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Regional Waste & Resource Recovery Solution Suitability Study	\$250,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Gympie Southside Sewer Network Expansion Project Stage 8, 9 and 10	\$3,540,934.20
	Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council	Everlina Retail Precinct Joint Building Upgrade - Commercial Space and Supermarket	\$1,015,084.20
	Isaac Regional Council	Moranbah Access Road - Investment Strategy	\$100,000.00
	Isaac Regional Council	Clermont WTP-filter media and plant modernisation	\$420,000.00
	Isaac Regional Council	St Lawrence Raw Pipeline and Raw Water Reservoir	\$1,020,000.00
	Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	Gas Storage and Roadway Access	\$196,650.00
	Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	Kowanyama Airport Fuel Farm and PAALC Lighting Upgrades	\$1,286,622.31
	Livingstone Shire Council	Emu Park Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade	\$4,078,200.00
	Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council	Lockhart River Staff Housing Project	\$2,082,016.96
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Lockyer Valley Asset Condition Assessments	\$420,000.00
	Logan City Council	Logan Gardens Shared Ring Road Stage 1	\$1,350,000.00
	Logan City Council	Concept design and preliminary costings for upgrade to Logan City Council's community waste and recycling facilities	\$120,000.00
	Longreach Regional Council	In-ground Asset (Water and Sewerage) Replacement	\$600,000.00
	Mackay Regional Council	Mackay Stadium Refurbishment	\$1,782,635.06
	Maranoa Regional Council	Update Roma and Mitchell Water Models	\$36,000.00
	Mareeba Shire Council	Bicentennial Lakes Active Recreation Upgrade	\$166,200.00
	Mareeba Shire Council	Mareeba Water Treatment Plant Raw Water Pump Station upgrade	\$475,524.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	The Hills District Community Hub Planning Project	\$200,000.00

Mornington Shire Council	Mornington Island Motel and Accommodation Expansion	\$2,052,350.00
Mount Isa City Council	Outback at Isa - Phase 1 Detailed Design - Visitor Centre Refurbishment	\$249,750.00
Murweh Shire Council	Augathella Aerodrome Upgrade Planning Project	\$128,000.00
Murweh Shire Council	Charleville Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade	\$6,240,000.00
Murweh Shire Council	Augathella Common Effluent Disposal (CED) Scheme	\$1,834,000.00
Noosa Shire Council	Noosa Shire Transit Hubs Investigations	\$168,000.00
Noosa Shire Council	McKinnon Drive Community Sports Facility- Stage 1	\$390,000.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Mundubbera Landfill Expansion (Stage 2)	\$3,161,102.86
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Asset Management Planning	\$250,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Sewer Inlet Works	\$1,700,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Building Resilience - Water Treatment Plant Back-Up Generators	\$427,462.00
Paroo Shire Council	Town Water Supply Security Infrastructure Works	\$3,362,899.00
Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council	New Staff Duplex Complex	\$1,410,000.00
Quilpie Shire Council	Town House Residential Estate - Stage 1	\$2,192,077.00
Redland City Council	Critical Wastewater Infrastructure Condition Assessments	\$62,536.44
Redland City Council	Redland Community and Cultural Precinct – Renovate, Rejuvenate, Repair and Re-Purpose	\$120,000.00
Redland City Council	Redlands Coast Fibre Expansion Stage 2B	\$1,189,530.00
Rockhampton Regional Council	Rockhampton & Gracemere Long Term Water Treatment and Distribution Strategy	\$180,000.00
Scenic Rim Regional Council	Lupton Road Sports Precinct – Planning and Design	\$150,000.00
Scenic Rim Regional Council	Safety Upgrades on Tarome Road	\$1,202,825.52
Somerset Regional Council	Powering growing communities with solar	\$88,924.20

South Burnett Regional Council	Nanango Waste Facility weighbridge install and transfer station upgrade	\$364,536.00
South Burnett Regional Council	Waste Management and Climate Change Adaptation Strategy	\$138,000.00
South Burnett Regional Council	Roof Replacement - Blackbutt Memorial Hall	\$161,001.00
Southern Downs Regional Council	Sealed Roads Asset Management Plan	\$25,200.00
Southern Downs Regional Council	Sewer Relining Project at Warwick and Stanthorpe	\$1,457,100.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Caloundra Headland Coastal Pathway	\$980,000.00
Tablelands Regional Council	Yungaburra Water Security Project (YWSP) (Phase 1)	\$1,783,800.00
Toowoomba Regional Council	Water and Sewer Asset Criticality Assessment	\$101,340.00
Torres Shire Council	Thursday Island Sports Centre masterplan	\$40,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Community Fuel Resource Upgrade	\$1,140,000.00
Western Downs Regional Council	Miles Dogwood Creek Redevelopment Project	\$120,000.00
Whitsunday Regional Council	Whitsunday Coast Airport Expansion	\$150,000.00
Whitsunday Regional Council	Asset Management Lifecycle Improvement Project	\$1,972,000.00
Winton Shire Council	Winton Water Automation Project	\$1,200,000.00
Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council	Yarrabah Foreshore Development Plan	\$250,000.00
Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council	Water Treatment Plant Upgrades	\$1,253,159.00
Bundaberg Regional Council	Tirroan Waste Transfer Station Construction - Bundaberg Regional Council	\$290,000.00

	Isaac Regional Council	Weighbridge Installation Clermont Waste Management Facility	\$329,012.90
SEQCSP 2021-24 - Allocation	Brisbane City Council	Albert Street Amenity Block Greening Project	\$1,350,000.00
	Brisbane City Council	Animal Rehoming	\$1,000,000.00
	Brisbane City Council	Everton Park Bowls Club Car Park	\$650,000.00
	Brisbane City Council	Murarrie Recreation Reserve - Brisbane International Cycle Park	\$2,558,880.96
	Brisbane City Council	Roof replacement – SES Morningside	\$941,119.04
	Brisbane City Council	Sports Field Lighting	\$500,000.00
	Gold Coast City Council	Gold Coast Disaster and Emergency Management Centre	\$9,810,000.00
	Ipswich City Council	Riverview recycling and refuse centre upgrade and associated works (Stage 1)	\$3,170,000.00
	Ipswich City Council	Richardson Park Playground and Amenities Upgrade	\$1,500,000.00
	Ipswich City Council	Cameron Park Playground and Amenities Upgrade	\$2,000,000.00
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Bore Infrastructure Improvements	\$84,063.26
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Cahill Park Machinery Shed Renewal	\$119,034.93
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Cemetery Upgrades - Laidley / Gatton	\$66,899.73
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Culvert Renewal Program	\$205,425.21
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Flood Cameras	\$139,837.65
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Floodway Renewal Program	\$427,413.18
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Footpath Missing Link and Renewal Program	\$290,038.74
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Gatton Landfill Cell 5 Construction	\$1,983,068.51

	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Kerb and Channel Renewal Program	\$300,000.00
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Laidley Saleyards Program	\$69,586.82
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Stormwater Renewal Program	\$208,000.00
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Twidale Road Upgrade	\$136,631.97
	Logan City Council	Centre Activation Through Tactical Intervention	\$500,000.00
	Logan City Council	Logan Central Youth Centre	\$2,020,000.00
	Logan City Council	South West Depot	\$3,500,000.00
	Logan City Council	Storey Road - Logan Village Local Road Kerb and Stormwater Drainage upgrade	\$1,000,000.00
	Logan City Council	Teviot Road and Middle Road Intersection upgrade	\$1,000,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Beachmere - Mazlin Park - Park Upgrade	\$950,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Brendale - Nolan Park - BMX Precinct Construction	\$450,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Burpengary - Jets Rugby League - Lighting and CCTV	\$280,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Caboolture - Bluebell street Park - Amenities Construction	\$320,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Clontarf - KR Benson Park - Redcliffe Leagues Netball Association Court Renewal	\$1,194,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Dayboro - Dayboro War Memorial Grounds - Soccer Field Lighting	\$320,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Dayboro - Hay Road - Pathway Construction	\$170,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Everton Hills - Cabbage Tree Creek - Active Transport Improvements	\$800,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Kallangur - Freshwater Creek - Park Corridor Upgrade	\$300,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Morayfield - Lindsay Road Sports Complex - Lighting Upgrade	\$354,300.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Morayfield - Madeline Drive - Missing Link Footpath (1.80km)	\$520,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Morayfield - Morayfield Road - Active Transport Upgrades	\$500,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Murrumba Downs - Dohles Rocks Road - Fauna Infrastructure Renewal	\$300,000.00

	Moreton Bay City Council	Murrumba Downs - Ogg Road - Pedestrian Crossing and Road Access Improvements	\$512,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	North Lakes - Bounty Boulevard State School - Park and Walk Facility	\$128,500.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	North Lakes - Kinsellas Sports Complex - Tiered seating and shade	\$941,200.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Rothwell - Scott Street - Park and Walk Facility	\$80,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Strathpine - Rob Akers Reserve - Building Renewal Stage 2 Clubhouse	\$900,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Warner - Frank Nichols Park - Park Upgrade 2	\$280,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Community Facility Maintenance and Renewal	\$709,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Conservation Projects on Council Land/Reserves-1	\$200,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Council Building Upgrades	\$233,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Gympie Terrace Foreshore Shelter Renewal Program	\$160,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Noosa Heads Main Beach Shower and Rock Wall Seating Improvements	\$90,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Noosa Heads Maze Carpark Works Including Lighting	\$155,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Noosa Heads Precinct West End Sofitel Boardwalk Design and Construction	\$105,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Noosaville Alec Loveday Park Pedestrian Bridge Renewal Works	\$18,517.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Noosaville Gympie Terrace Park Furniture Renewal	\$50,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Noosaville Noosaville Foreshore Park Stormwater Renewals	\$250,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Peregian Beach Skate Park Design and Construct	\$175,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Shire BBQ Renewal Program	\$114,838.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Shire Kerb and Channel Renewal Program	\$400,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Shire Public Amenities Renewal Program	\$331,129.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Shire Switchboard and Meterbox upgrade	\$24,143.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Sunshine Beach - Beach Access 31 Renewal	\$160,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Tewantin Memorial Park Pathway Upgrade	\$150,000.00
	Noosa Shire Council	Walking and Cycling Strategy Implementation	\$754,373.00
	Redland City Council	Redlands Coast Fibre Expansion Stage 2A: Indigiscapes to Capalaba Library (via Capalaba WWTP)	\$590,000.00

Redland City Council	Charlie Buckler Sports field and Facilities Upgrade - Demand Ready, Inclusive Sporting Facilities for Southern Redlands Coast	\$4,500,000.00
Scenic Rim Regional Council	Beaudesert Enterprise Precinct pavement rehabilitation	\$700,000.00
Scenic Rim Regional Council	Bromelton Transfer Station recycling bay construction	\$600,000.00
Scenic Rim Regional Council	Carpark and access driveways upgrades at two parks	\$1,040,000.00
Scenic Rim Regional Council	Community and Council Facilities upgrades	\$810,000.00
Scenic Rim Regional Council	Community and Cultural Centres - Air Conditioning Upgrade	\$840,000.00
Somerset Regional Council	Lowood Recycled Water Pipeline	\$1,400,000.00
Somerset Regional Council	Upgrade Esk Show Grounds	\$32,313.00
Somerset Regional Council	Waste Infrastructure Upgrades	\$2,457,687.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Albany Lakes Park - Stage 2	\$600,000.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Buderim Village Park - Playground	\$700,000.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Caloundra Indoor Stadium - roof upgrade	\$700,000.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Coolum Sports Complex - intersection upgrade	\$700,000.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Landsborough Streetscape - Stage 2	\$500,000.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Mooloolaba Playground Shade	\$100,000.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	North Shore Multi-Sports Complex	\$700,000.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Palmwoods Warriors Football Club	\$450,000.00
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Parkyn Parade Pedestrian Facilities	\$145,000.00

	Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Sunshine Coast Stadium - car park	\$500,000.00
	Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Turner Park Upgrades and Activation	\$200,000.00
	Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Woombye Streetscape	\$1,500,000.00
	Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Jack Morgan Park	\$215,000.00
	Toowoomba Regional Council	Clifton Wastewater Treatment Plant	\$4,000,000.00
	Toowoomba Regional Council	Newman Road Culvert Replacement	\$1,110,000.00
	Gold Coast City Council	Lower Beechmont Community Facility	\$1,547,000.00
	Gold Coast City Council	Paradise Point Parklands Public Amenities and Changes Places Facility	\$689,000.00
	Gold Coast City Council	Construction of a Changing Places Facility at Tallebudgera Creek Park	\$800,000.00
	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Lockyer Valley Sport and Aquatic Centres Revitalisation	\$406,000.00
SEQCSP 2021-24 - Application	Logan City Council	Logan Riverine Discovery Centre	\$2,750,000.00
	Logan City Council	Croydon Road Streetscape Upgrades	\$1,500,000.00
	Logan City Council	Springwood Park Masterplan - Stage 1	\$500,000.00
	Logan City Council	Chambers Flat Road and School Road Intersection	\$48,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Moreton Bay Housing and Homelessness Services Hub	\$3,000,000.00
	Moreton Bay City Council	Bellara Foreshore Improvement Project	\$1,500,000.00
	Redland City Council	Minjerribah Panorama Coastal Walk Stage 2	\$2,500,000.00
	Somerset Regional Council	Construct Esk-Crows Nest Strategic Regional Connector - Toowoomba boundary section	\$2,055,211.00
	Somerset Regional Council	Lowood-Minden Road - Minden Village home safer and sooner project	\$687,950.00
	Somerset Regional Council	Lowood pool - safe and fun for everyone project	\$1,996,731.00
	Sunshine Coast Regional Council	First Avenue Maroochydore - Major Streetscape Upgrade	\$2,020,108.00

	Toowoomba Regional Council	Yarraman Waste Management Facility	\$2,000,000.00
	Toowoomba Regional Council	Russell Street East Streetscape Refresh (Stage 2)	\$2,000,000.00
W4Q 2021-24	Aurukun Shire Council	New concrete footpaths, town street reseals, drainage ren	\$710,000.00
	Aurukun Shire Council	Ngaay Road Industrial Park Development	\$800,000.00
	Aurukun Shire Council	Remove, replace and upgrade park fixtures and furniture	\$240,000.00
	Aurukun Shire Council	Staff Housing Upgrades and renewals	\$470,000.00
	Aurukun Shire Council	Sludge Dewatering from sewerage lagoons	\$150,000.00
	Balonne Shire Council	Beardmore Dam Recreation Area Upgrades	\$70,000.00
	Balonne Shire Council	Balonne Town Common Upgrades	\$149,000.00
	Balonne Shire Council	Construction of Council Houses	\$961,000.00
	Banana Shire Council	Upgrades to Moura Memorial Pool	\$530,000.00
	Banana Shire Council	Rainbow Street Sports Complex - Amenities Building	\$200,000.00
	Banana Shire Council	Recreation Grounds New Playground	\$45,680.64
	Banana Shire Council	Taroom Lions Park Upgrade	\$146,633.37
	Banana Shire Council	Taroom Saleyards Amenities Block	\$60,000.00
	Banana Shire Council	Thangool Airport Light Upgrades	\$121,034.78
	Banana Shire Council	Theodore Centenary Footpaths	\$100,000.00
	Banana Shire Council	Theodore Junction Park	\$50,000.00
	Banana Shire Council	Melton Park Playground	\$60,000.00
	Banana Shire Council	Thangool Urban Construction	\$300,000.00
	Barcaldine Regional Council	Aramac Caravan Park and Showground Upgrade	\$50,000.00
	Barcaldine Regional Council	Cemetery Fence - Alpha Cemetery	\$20,000.00
	Barcaldine Regional Council	Cemetery Fence - Jericho Cemetery	\$12,477.27

Barcaldine Regional Council	Entrance Gates	\$70,000.00
Barcaldine Regional Council	Memorial Hall Air-conditioning	\$45,230.53
Barcaldine Regional Council	Men's Shed Awning	\$20,000.00
Barcaldine Regional Council	Recreation Ground Camping	\$32,585.11
Barcaldine Regional Council	Splash Pad & Shade	\$100,000.00
Barcaldine Regional Council	Swimming Pool Upgrade - Barcaldine	\$526,446.09
Barcaldine Regional Council	Swimming Pool Upgrade - Muttaburra	\$60,000.00
Barcaldine Regional Council	The Globe Tower	\$165,000.00
Barcaldine Regional Council	Village Green Lighting	\$18,261.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Building upgrades and renewals of Council houses across the Shire	\$180,000.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Jundah Water Treatment Plant - filter media replacement	\$50,073.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Jundah Water Treatment Plant - raw water ground tank	\$80,000.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Jundah Water Treatment Plant - replace treated water reservoir	\$330,000.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Stonehenge River intake Structure	\$50,000.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Stonehenge Water Treatment Plant - replace poly tank	\$26,667.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Stonehenge Water Treatment Plant - upgrade clarification, filtration, instrumentation and telemetry	\$200,000.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Water Meter Replacement	\$100,000.00
Barcoo Shire Council	Windorah River Intake - Murken Pump	\$9,927.00
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council	Sewerage upgrades	\$200,000.00
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council	Tambo Sewer upgrades	\$804,999.00

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council	Tambo Town Street upgrades	\$75,000.00
Boulia Shire Council	Council Housing Renovation (various)	\$450,000.00
Boulia Shire Council	Min Min Encounter - Tourism Information Centre	\$150,000.00
Boulia Shire Council	Shade structure for Anzac Garden	\$66,667.00
Boulia Shire Council	Solar Power Unit for sewer Aerator	\$60,000.00
Boulia Shire Council	Sewerage pump station replacement	\$300,000.00
Bulloo Shire Council	Hungerford Hall Kitchen Upgrade	\$94,565.24
Bulloo Shire Council	Stage 2 Noccundra Sports Ground - Upgrade Kitchen Facility	\$485,000.00
Bulloo Shire Council	Thargomindah Sports Ground – Upgrade Canteen/Bar and Storage Facility	\$375,852.55
Bulloo Shire Council	Thargomindah Town Common Fence Renewal	\$74,582.21
Bundaberg Regional Council	Bundaberg Regional Aquatic Facility	\$13,030,000.00
Burdekin Shire Council	Burdekin Water Park	\$2,480,000.00
Burke Shire Council	Burketown Wharf Recreational Grounds	\$430,000.00
Burke Shire Council	Gregory River Pedestrian Bridge	\$100,000.00
Burke Shire Council	Sewerage network upgrade	\$80,000.00
Burke Shire Council	Intelligent Water Network & Smart Water Meters Stage 1	\$50,000.00
Burke Shire Council	Burketown WTP Chemical Dosing Upgrade	\$450,000.00
Cairns Regional Council	Asphalt Overlay Program	\$2,130,000.00
Cairns Regional Council	Concrete Lined Drains Program	\$720,000.00
Cairns Regional Council	Edmonton West water pump station renewal	\$1,450,000.00
Cairns Regional Council	Esplanade Lagoon - Timber Deck Renewal	\$260,000.00
Cairns Regional Council	Footpath Renewal Program	\$640,000.00

	Cairns Regional Council	Reseal Program	\$1,600,000.00
	Cairns Regional Council	Sewage Pumping Station R5 new pump station (formerly wet well condition assessment and remediation)	\$1,310,000.00
	Cairns Regional Council	Suburban Enhancement Program - Streetscape Amenity Improvements	\$1,920,000.00
	Cairns Regional Council	Warren Road Water pump station renewal	\$750,000.00
	Cairns Regional Council	Water & Waste Sodium Hypochlorite Sites remediation works	\$1,330,000.00
	Carpentaria Shire Council	Commencement of Normanton beautification	\$350,000.00
	Carpentaria Shire Council	Commencement of Normanton School dam upgrade	\$300,000.00
	Carpentaria Shire Council	Council staff housing renewals	\$400,000.00
	Carpentaria Shire Council	Karumba Airport power supply upgrade	\$60,000.00
	Carpentaria Shire Council	Normanton and Karumba public pool saltwater chlorinators	\$320,000.00
	Carpentaria Shire Council	Normanton Water Treatment Plant - resevoir upgrades.	\$60,000.00
	Carpentaria Shire Council	Water Treatment Plant (Normanton) - upgrade and enhancement of PLCs and monitoring equipment	\$180,000.00
	Cassowary Coast Regional Council	Essential Community Infrastructure Upgrades	\$1,175,000.00
	Cassowary Coast Regional Council	Essential Maintenance Project	\$695,000.00
	Cassowary Coast Regional Council	Open Space Improvements and Community Infrastructure Refurbishments	\$1,050,000.00
	Cassowary Coast Regional Council	Tourism Infrastructure Upgrades	\$350,000.00
	Central Highlands Regional Council	Anakie Tennis Court and Amenities Upgrade	\$180,000.00
	Central Highlands Regional Council	Beasley Park Rolleston New Playground	\$250,000.00
	Central Highlands Regional Council	Capella Depot - New Switchboard	\$80,000.00

Central Highlands Regional Council	Emerald BMX Track Upgrade	\$200,000.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Emerald Depot New Auto Gates	\$253,719.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Emerald Saleyard Security Front Fence and Cattle Grid Entrance	\$282,000.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Emerald Saleyards Replace Half deck Scale Platform	\$120,000.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Emerald Showgrounds Rodeo Fencing Upgrade	\$100,000.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Footpath Missing Link Construction	\$400,000.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Rolleston Pool Replace a New Shed	\$50,000.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Rubyvale Flats Amenities Refurbishment	\$83,580.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Springsure Showgrounds Electrical Upgrade	\$180,000.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Springsure Showgrounds Pavilion Roof replacement	\$28,233.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Springsure Workshop - Slab and Picnic Structure Upgrade	\$64,468.00
Central Highlands Regional Council	Valve and Hydrants Program	\$388,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Administration Precinct Upgrades	\$1,437,200.00
Charters Towers	Burdekin Street Staff Housing - Repairs & Maintenance	\$75,000.00

Regional Council		
Charters Towers Regional Council	Burdekin Weir Repairs	\$15,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Charters Towers Cemetery Repairs and Maintenance	\$54,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Dalrymple Saleyards Precinct Repairs and Upgrades	\$157,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Excelsior Library - External Light Replacement	\$3,500.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Gill Street Streetscape Revitalisation Project	\$23,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Hodgkinson Street Staff Housing - Repairs & Maintenance	\$35,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Jackson Street Carpark Repairs	\$9,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Lissner Park Repairs	\$16,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Macrossan & Fletcher Recreational Facility Upgrades	\$15,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Manhole Refurbishment Program	\$50,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Miners Memorial Project	\$100,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Parks & Recreational Facilities Upgrade	\$195,300.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Ravenswood SES Building Repairs	\$9,000.00

Charters Towers Regional Council	Swimming Pool Repairs & Maintenance	\$55,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Towers Hill Hydration Station	\$10,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Wherry House Restoration Project	\$73,000.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	World Theatre Fire Hydrant Project	\$20,500.00
Charters Towers Regional Council	Defiance Mill Park ex building site remediation	\$27,500.00
Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council	Cherbourg solid waste facility re-design and rehabilitation	\$458,694.00
Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council	Water Infrastructure Project Contribution to SPF Project	\$310,000.00
Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council	Upgrades to Council owned assets and facilities	\$501,306.00
Cloncurry Shire Council	Cloncurry Waste Management Improvement Project	\$30,315.00
Cloncurry Shire Council	Sheaffe St Footpath	\$200,000.00
Cloncurry Shire Council	CCTV Upgrade Project	\$439,685.00
Cloncurry Shire Council	Water and Sewer Network (Scada)	\$150,000.00
Cloncurry Shire Council	Path to Chinaman Creek Dam (Stage 2)	\$400,000.00
Cook Shire Council	Stage 1 Cook Shire Water and Wastewater Electrical Upgrade	\$2,200,000.00
Croydon Shire Council	Croydon Irrigation Water Project	\$1,020,000.00
Diamantina Shire Council	Refurbishment of Housing - Bedourie	\$955,852.73
Diamantina Shire Council	Road Safety Footpath	\$70,813.27
Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council	Community Shared Cycleway	\$1,490,000.00
Douglas Shire Council	Maintenance and Repairs to Gravel Roads	\$439,242.08
Douglas Shire Council	Road Reseal	\$580,757.92

Douglas Shire Council	Smart Water Meter Program	\$800,000.00
Etheridge Shire Council	Drainage in Einasleigh	\$140,000.00
Etheridge Shire Council	Forsayth Cemetery Fence	\$40,000.00
Etheridge Shire Council	Georgetown - Streetscaping in main street	\$400,000.00
Etheridge Shire Council	Georgetown Sports Centre	\$270,000.00
Etheridge Shire Council	Rural Addressing	\$100,000.00
Etheridge Shire Council	Water reticulation telemetry	\$100,000.00
Flinders Shire Council	Flinders Discovery Centre - Stage 3	\$420,000.00
Flinders Shire Council	Workers Accommodation Building – Provision of 28 Units at Caravan Park	\$650,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Anzac Park increased car parking	\$975,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Bridge and Floodway Replacement, Repairs and Construction	\$2,202,672.03
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Footpath/Pathway Replacement, Repairs and Construction	\$1,687,327.97
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Fraser Island Road Improvements	\$750,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Hervey Bay Library	\$1,500,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Jetties and Piers replacement, repair and construction	\$1,200,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Maryborough Moonaboola Industrial Estate Stage 1	\$4,575,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Pump Track - Hervey Bay	\$900,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Pump Track - Maryborough	\$400,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Rail Trail	\$500,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Shade over playground at Augustus Estate	\$20,000.00
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Sydney Street Safety Upgrades	\$1,700,000.00

	Fraser Coast Regional Council	Various revegetation projects	\$50,000.00
	Gladstone Regional Council	Gladstone - Sewer Mains Renewal	\$2,670,000.00
	Gladstone Regional Council	Gladstone Aquatic Centre Rejuvenation – Stage 3	\$2,439,600.00
	Gladstone Regional Council	Sewer Manhole renewals	\$810,400.00
	Gladstone Regional Council	Tondono Botanic Gardens Bonsai House Upgrade	\$1,870,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Community Facilities Security Upgrades	\$50,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Construction of new footpaths and kerbing	\$750,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Goondiwindi Landfill Upgrades	\$90,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Goondiwindi Pool Shade	\$40,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Goondiwindi Visitor Information Centre upgrade	\$25,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Park Upgrades	\$10,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Upgrade toilet block at Goondiwindi boat ramp	\$15,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Water Main Upgrade	\$200,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Goondiwindi Toddler Pool Filtration Upgrade	\$40,000.00
	Goondiwindi Regional Council	Stratford Street Kurb replacement	\$150,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Construction of Sewer Pump Station No. G2 in Gympie	\$750,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Design and Construction of Sewer Pump Stations No. G1 and G3 in Gympie	\$3,000,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Regional Pools	\$645,000.00

	Gympie Regional Council	Gympie Saleyards	\$150,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Gympie Showgrounds Improvements	\$460,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Lake Alford Water Quality Improvements Stage 1	\$115,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	One Mile Playground Replacement	\$160,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Pie Creek Hall Playground	\$50,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Road project - Stumm Road / Justin Street	\$500,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Road Widening - Hoopers Road	\$350,000.00
	Gympie Regional Council	Road Widening - McIntosh Creek Road, Jones Hill	\$1,000,000.00
	Hinchinbrook Shire Council	Herbert Street Stormwater Renewal	\$600,000.00
	Hinchinbrook Shire Council	Kehl/Lehane/Row/Druery Street Kerb and Channel Renewal	\$355,000.00
	Hinchinbrook Shire Council	Relining of Sewer Mains	\$560,000.00
	Hinchinbrook Shire Council	Roati Street Kerb and Channel Renewal	\$225,000.00
	Hinchinbrook Shire Council	Upgrade of Water and Telemetry System	\$80,000.00
	Hinchinbrook Shire Council	Replacement Sewer Camera	\$80,000.00
	Hinchinbrook Shire Council	Ingham Showgrounds Cricket Establishment Project	\$250,000.00
	Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council	Council Asset Management Program	\$500,000.00
	Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council	Football Oval Upgrade	\$150,000.00
	Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council	McIvor Road Seal Extension	\$650,000.00
	Isaac Regional Council	Camila Beach Water Tank Renewal	\$34,800.00
	Isaac Regional Council	Combined Community Facilities Functionality and Accessibility Project	\$355,200.00
	Isaac Regional Council	Greg Cruickshank Aquatic Centre Water Park	\$1,200,000.00

	Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	Staff house/s stage 2	\$340,000.00
	Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	Splash Park and shade/seating plus structures	\$970,000.00
	Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	Workshop Compound Stage 3	\$390,000.00
	Livingstone Shire Council	Bell Park Footpath	\$16,254.00
	Livingstone Shire Council	Jabiru Drive	\$980,000.00
	Livingstone Shire Council	Kelly's Dam Tunnel and Seepage Repairs	\$390,000.00
	Livingstone Shire Council	Matthew Flinders Dve	\$1,690,000.00
	Livingstone Shire Council	Mt Chalton Reservoir	\$225,000.00
	Livingstone Shire Council	Rotary Park Irrigation	\$48,746.00
	Livingstone Shire Council	Rural Floodways	\$150,000.00
	Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council	Cultural Precinct Phase 3	\$600,000.00
	Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council	Fencing of Workshop, Concrete Batching Plant, Rubbish Dump	\$110,000.00
	Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council	Shed for heavy plant and equipment	\$500,000.00
	Longreach Regional Council	Isisford Water Mains Replacement Stage 2	\$1,120,000.00
	Mackay Regional Council	Gravel Resheeting	\$5,700,000.00
	Mackay Regional Council	Seaforth Esplanade Redevelopment	\$2,290,000.00
	Mackay Regional Council	Woodlands District Park Stage 1	\$2,000,000.00
	Mapoon Aboriginal Shire Council	New Council chambers/Disaster centre	\$500,000.00
	Mapoon Aboriginal Shire Council	Phase one main building for New Ranger base	\$590,000.00
	Maranoa Regional Council	Ash Wall at Mitchell Cemetery	\$30,000.00

	Maranoa Regional Council	Peter Keegan Oil & Gas Museum	\$400,000.00
	Maranoa Regional Council	Regional Footpath improvements	\$100,000.00
	Maranoa Regional Council	Roma Skate Park and Youth Precinct (Pump Track) Stage 1	\$540,000.00
	Maranoa Regional Council	Warroo Sporting Complex Canteen Upgrade	\$350,000.00
	Mareeba Shire Council	Barang Street Water Main Upgrade	\$1,199,163.67
	Mareeba Shire Council	McGrath Road Water Pipe Renewal Program	\$2,040,836.33
	McKinlay Shire Council	AC Main Upgrades	\$130,000.00
	McKinlay Shire Council	Footpath Upgrades Burke Street	\$50,000.00
	McKinlay Shire Council	Footpath Upgrades Julia Street	\$250,000.00
	McKinlay Shire Council	Kerb Replacement Julia Creek	\$90,000.00
	McKinlay Shire Council	McIntyre Park Stables	\$200,000.00
	McKinlay Shire Council	Council Housing Landscaping & Fencing	\$110,000.00
	McKinlay Shire Council	Staff Housing Development	\$200,000.00
	Mornington Shire Council	Mornington Island Water Filtration Upgrade	\$1,410,000.00
	Mount Isa City Council	Centennial Place	\$2,223,218.29
	Mount Isa City Council	Lookout Upgrade	\$177,564.50
	Mount Isa City Council	Median Upgrades - Stage 2	\$39,217.21
	Mount Isa City Council	Parks & open spaces Upgrades - Stage 2	\$350,000.00
	Mount Isa City Council	Transmission Street Dog Park Upgrade	\$100,000.00
	Murweh Shire Council	Upgrade and refurbish Shire Libraries	\$150,000.00
	Murweh Shire Council	Upgrade Council's Morven Camp Accommodation Facilities	\$150,000.00
	Murweh Shire Council	Graham Andrews Park Amenities	\$250,000.00
	Murweh Shire Council	Park Upgrades & Beautification throughout Murweh Shire	\$150,000.00
	Murweh Shire Council	Historic House Amenities	\$150,000.00

Murweh Shire Council	Upgrade Council's Public Records Storage	\$100,000.00
Murweh Shire Council	Water Infrastructure Upgrades - UV Disinfection Unit	\$380,000.00
Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council	New Takeaway	\$500,000.00
Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council	Upgrade existing and construct new NECC toilet block	\$100,000.00
Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council	Upgrade Staff Housing	\$230,400.00
Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council	Upgrade Council Buildings	\$459,600.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Bridge Refurbishment Program, Ford Creek Bridge	\$177,000.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Bridge Refurbishment Program, Mountain Creek Bridge	\$177,000.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Bridge Refurbishment Program, Nogo River Bridge	\$283,334.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Bridge Refurbishment Program, Staatz Bridge	\$277,000.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Eidsvold Landfill Security / Office	\$25,000.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Flood Warning Infrastructure Upgrade (rain gauge)	\$10,666.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Gayndah Landfill Security	\$76,237.27
North Burnett Regional Council	Monto Landfill Security	\$55,120.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Mundubbera Landfill Regional Expansion	\$500,000.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Reservoir Roof Replacement Program	\$178,642.73
North Burnett Regional Council	Sewerage Pump Stations - Switchboard Replacement Program	\$30,000.00
North Burnett Regional Council	Water Supply Telemetry Upgrade Program	\$50,000.00

Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Beautification of Council sites/buildings (various administration building in the NPA communities)	\$269,166.20
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Playground equipment and cleanup at William Crescent Park, Bamaga	\$100,000.00
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Renovation and upgrade to the vacant New Mapoon laundromat and shop	\$30,833.80
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Refurbishment of the Jardine Ferry	\$650,000.00
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Seisia beach walkway upgrade	\$90,000.00
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Toilets at Muttee Heads camp ground	\$300,000.00
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Upgrade to Injinoo Community Hall kitchen - McDonnell Street Injinoo	\$100,000.00
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	Upgrade to unused Umagico historical building in the business precinct	\$200,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Airport Upgrade	\$500,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Parks upgrades	\$500,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Stormwater	\$500,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Manbarra Road Upgrade	\$520,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Upgrades to Council Assets	\$500,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Improved security at works depots	\$150,000.00
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Pathways Palm Island	\$260,000.00

Paroo Shire Council	Cunnamulla Artesian Hot springs Civil Site Works	\$335,000.00
Paroo Shire Council	Cunnamulla Artesian Hot springs Water Disposal	\$325,000.00
Paroo Shire Council	Cunnamulla Artesian Hot springs Electrical Upgrade Works	\$200,000.00
Paroo Shire Council	Cunnamulla Artesian Hot springs Riverwalk	\$300,000.00
Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council	Staff Housing	\$1,600,000.00
Quilpie Shire Council	Construct Residential Dwellings in Quilpie and Eromanga.	\$1,080,000.00
Richmond Shire Council	Caravan Park Upgrade	\$300,000.00
Richmond Shire Council	Town Streets & Stormwater	\$730,000.00
Rockhampton Regional Council	Botanic Gardens Playground Renewal	\$1,600,000.00
Rockhampton Regional Council	Fitzroy River Boardwalk Refurbishment	\$860,000.00
Rockhampton Regional Council	North Rockhampton Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade	\$6,460,000.00
Rockhampton Regional Council	Animal Enclosure Zoo	\$540,000.00
South Burnett Regional Council	CBD Renewal - Infrastructure Upgrades	\$1,000,000.00
South Burnett Regional Council	Community Building Upgrades and Maintenance	\$845,000.00
South Burnett Regional Council	Open Space Refurbishments	\$2,285,000.00
South Burnett Regional Council	Water Infrastructure Upgrades	\$1,500,000.00
Southern Downs Regional Council	Recycled water connections to community sports clubs	\$70,000.00
Southern Downs Regional Council	Sewer Pump Station upgrades	\$1,240,000.00
Southern Downs Regional Council	Sewer Relining	\$1,300,000.00

Southern Downs Regional Council	WIRAC Upgrades	\$440,000.00
Tablelands Regional Council	Ravenshoe Region Water Quality Improvement Plan Stage 2A (Pipelines only)	\$2,430,000.00
Tablelands Regional Council	TRC Signage Strategy	\$450,000.00
Torres Shire Council	TI Roads and Drainage Management - SeeHop General Store and Post Office, Mitre10 Hardware Store, Douglas Street IBIS Supermarket and Rose Hill IBIS General Store	\$100,100.00
Torres Shire Council	Torres Shire Council Staff Housing	\$1,349,900.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Badu Sports Oval Gazebos	\$220,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Boigu Fuel Infrastructure	\$400,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Boigu Motel Security Fencing	\$85,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Dauan Water Shed	\$170,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Erub Fuel Infrastructure	\$400,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Mabuiag Fuel Infrastructure	\$400,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	St Pauls Community Hall Air conditioning Upgrade	\$65,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	St Pauls Creek Weir	\$50,000.00
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Ugar Water Shed	\$170,000.00

Torres Strait Island Regional Council	Warraber Resort Upgrade	\$1,090,000.00
Townsville City Council	103 Walker Street Customer Service Centre Upgrade	\$3,600,000.00
Townsville City Council	Bus Stops, Car Parks & Pathway Renewals	\$1,350,000.00
Townsville City Council	City Board Walk	\$2,450,000.00
Townsville City Council	Corcoran Park Netball Courts Renewal	\$750,000.00
Townsville City Council	Horseshoe Bay Sports Courts Refurbishment	\$300,000.00
Townsville City Council	Irrigation Reticulation Network Renewal	\$2,175,000.00
Townsville City Council	Murray Skate Park Expansion	\$2,000,000.00
Townsville City Council	Northern Beaches Leisure Centre - 50m Pool Replacement	\$5,000,000.00
Townsville City Council	Parks & Playgrounds Renewals	\$1,515,000.00
Townsville City Council	Boundary Street Water Main Replacement	\$400,000.00
Western Downs Regional Council	One Twenty Cunningham Street Activation	\$2,049,224.00
Western Downs Regional Council	Regional Footpath Program	\$730,776.00
Whitsunday Regional Council	Airlie Lagoon Lighting Improvements	\$174,797.05
Whitsunday Regional Council	Bowen WTP Intake, Switchboard and Structure	\$300,500.00
Whitsunday Regional Council	Brandy Creek – New Amenities	\$140,332.00
Whitsunday Regional Council	Case Park Walking Track Bowen	\$495,388.44
Whitsunday Regional Council	Collinsville Aquatic Facility – pool retiling renewal	\$158,237.03
Whitsunday Regional Council	Collinsville Community Centre – Exterior painting program	\$50,863.28
Whitsunday Regional Council	Dingo Beach Bollards	\$73,641.55

Whitsunday Regional Council	Front Beach Skate Bowl Timber Replacement Bowen	\$146,814.20
Whitsunday Regional Council	Gloucester sports park access and car park reconstruction and seal	\$404,692.42
Whitsunday Regional Council	Greening & Growing Bowen 3 – recycled water network extension	\$428,000.00
Whitsunday Regional Council	Lions Lookout & Carpark Upgrade – Shute Harbour	\$475,000.00
Whitsunday Regional Council	Mullers Lagoon Bridge x 2 upgrade - Bowen	\$291,023.03
Whitsunday Regional Council	Sewer Relining – regional possible PFAS Infiltration	\$500,000.00
Whitsunday Regional Council	Denison Park Grandstand	\$200,711.00
Winton Shire Council	Winton Youth and Recovery Centre	\$1,040,000.00
Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council	Water Treatment upgrades	\$660,000.00
Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council	Staff Housing Renovation	\$250,000.00
Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council	Cemetery open shelter	\$200,000.00
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council	Security cameras on council assets	\$34,500.00
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council	Solar instalment on council facilities	\$58,000.00
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council	Refurbishment of council facilities	\$902,500.00
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council	Install electricity meters on leased council facilities	\$60,000.00
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council	Service Station Refurbishment	\$35,000.00
Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council	Housing driveways Phase 2	\$198,300.00
Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council	Security Fencing Project	\$64,200.00

	Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council	Upgrade & Refurbishment of Council Buildings	\$2,221,310.00
	Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council	Yarrabah Beautification	\$796,190.00

Works for Queensland

During the 2022-23 FY; the total funding allocated for Works for Queensland (for all funding rounds in delivery) was \$88,210,000 with \$39,405,000 carried over and \$48,805,000 expended.

During the 2023-24 FY; the total funding allocated for Works for Queensland (for all funding rounds in delivery) was \$42,824,000 with \$11,643,000 carried over and \$31,181,000 expended.

During the 2024-25 FY; the total funding allocated for Works for Queensland (for all funding rounds in delivery) is \$124,490,000 with \$3,271,000 brought forward to 2023-24.

South East Queensland Community Stimulus Program (SEQCSP)

During the 2022-23 FY; the total funding allocated for SEQCSP (for all funding rounds in delivery) was \$24,838,000 with \$8,491,000 carried over and \$16,347,000 expended.

During the 2023-24 FY; the total funding allocated for SEQCSP (for all funding rounds in delivery) was \$34,419,000 with \$19,475,000 carried over and \$14,944,000 expended.

During the 2024-25 FY; the total funding allocated for SEQCSP (for all funding rounds in delivery) is \$72,000,000 with \$3,453,000 brought forward to 2023-24.

Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program (LGGSP)

During the 2022-23 FY; the total funding allocated for Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program (for all funding rounds in delivery) was \$36,089,000 with \$6,747,000 carried over and \$29,342,000 expended.

During the 2023-24 FY; the total funding allocated for Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program (for all funding rounds in delivery) was \$58,530,000 with \$47,502,000 carried over and \$11,028,000 expended.

During the 2024-25 FY; the total funding allocated for Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program (for all funding rounds in delivery) is \$76,297,000 with \$11,152,000 brought forward to 2023-24.

Funding allocated for each year is as per published Budget Paper 3 (for each year to 2024-25). Funding expended for each year is as per the department's finance system as at 30 June 2024.

The amount of funding expended each financial year is dependent on council progress in delivering approved projects. In accordance with the grant program guidelines for the above programs, project payments are made by the department based on councils achieving project delivery milestones that they set. The department works closely with councils to monitor the delivery of projects.

Project delivery is the responsibility of councils and can be impacted by a number of factors, including natural disasters, project cost escalations and the availability of contractors and suppliers. The use of program funding deferrals and bring-forwards is one of the ways the Department supports councils manage project delivery challenges.

Housing, Big Build and Manufacturing Committee

Estimates Pre-Hearing Question on Notice

No. 15

Asked on Tuesday, 9 July 2024

THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the 2023 Community Support and Services Committee Estimates Hearing of 2023 and the planned and unplanned maintenance budget for the social housing portfolio, will the Minister provide the following broken down by Housing Service Centre for each financial year from 2017/18 - 2024/25, and each 'subset' of the planned and unplanned maintenance budget:

- a. Total funds allocated
- b. Actual funds expended

ANSWER:

The Department's maintenance program ensures that social housing properties are safe, secure and in good repair.

Expenditure under the program is prioritised to ensure that funds are focused on the areas of the portfolio in greatest need. The department continues to identify opportunities to maximise value in the delivery of unplanned works, including packaging works where possible to achieve savings, and forward proactive planning to reduce unplanned maintenance costs.

I am advised that it is not possible to reconcile final actual expenditure against original budget estimates by Housing Service Centre, and to attempt to do so would be an inefficient use of resources.

I am further advised that property maintenance costs have been adversely impacted by increased material and labour costs in recent years. It is estimated that costs have increased by more than 35 per cent since 2021. This cost escalation has impacted maintenance expenditure in 2022-23 and 2023-24.

The allocated maintenance budget and actual expenditure from 2017-18 to 2023-24 is as follows:

- In 2017-18, the allocated budget for maintenance was \$293 million, and actual expenditure was \$275.6 million.
- In 2018-19, the allocated budget for maintenance was \$307.4 million, and actual expenditure was \$295.7 million.

- In 2019-20, the allocated budget for maintenance was \$304.1 million, and actual expenditure was \$295.5 million.
- In 2020-21, the allocated budget for maintenance was \$305.3 million, and actual expenditure was \$282.7 million.
- In 2021-22, the allocated budget for maintenance was \$300.9 million, and actual expenditure was \$304.5 million.
- In 2022-23, the allocated budget for maintenance was \$292.2 million, and actual expenditure was \$341.7 million.
- In 2023-24, the allocated budget for maintenance was \$325.4 million, and actual expenditure was \$386.79 million.

Housing, Big Build and Manufacturing Committee

Estimates Pre-Hearing Question on Notice

No. 16

Asked on Tuesday, 9 July 2024

THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE
ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Queensland Government's Social Housing portfolio— Will the Minister advise the following as at 1 July 2024 (reported separately by Housing Service Centre):

- a. how many dwellings are uninhabited
- b. how many dwellings have been uninhabited for 30 days or more?

ANSWER:

The Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works (the department) uses the term 'vacant tenantable' to refer to unoccupied dwellings that are available for allocation. This usage is consistent with the use of the term by the Real Estate Institute of Queensland.

At 30 June 2024, there were 191 (0.34%) vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. Of these, 27 (0.05%) dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more. The department works with customers to ensure that homes are tenanted as soon as possible.

The reasons why some properties remain vacant tenantable for longer periods can be due to factors such as complex needs of tenants, multiple unaccepted offers, difficult-to-let location, or property features.

The Bayside Housing Service Centre had six vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Bundaberg Housing Service Centre had one vacant tenantable department-managed dwelling. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Buranda Housing Service Centre had 19 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. One dwelling had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Cairns Housing Service Centre had 11 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. Two dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Chelmsford Housing Service Centre had seven vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Emerald Housing Service Centre had 12 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. Six dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Fortitude Valley Housing Service Centre had 14 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. One dwelling had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Gladstone Housing Service Centre had no vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings.

The Gold Coast Housing Service Centre had three vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Inala Housing Service Centre had three vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Ipswich Housing Service Centre had six vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Logan Housing Service Centre had 16 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Mackay Housing Service Centre had 10 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. Two dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Maroochydore Housing Service Centre had 31 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. Two dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Maryborough Housing Service Centre had two vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Moreton Bay Housing Service Centre had nine vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. One dwelling had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Mount Isa Housing Service Centre had 16 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. Eight dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Rockhampton Housing Service Centre had three vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Thursday Island Housing Service Centre had no vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings.

The Toowoomba And South West Housing Service Centre had 13 vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. Four dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

The Townsville Housing Service Centre had nine vacant tenantable department-managed dwellings. No dwellings had been vacant tenantable for 30 days or more.

Housing, Big Build and Manufacturing Committee

Estimates Pre-Hearing Question on Notice

No. 17

Asked on Tuesday, 9 July 2024

THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE
ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With respect to vacant land (land without a dwelling) managed by the Department, will the Minister provide the following as at 1 July 2024, broken down by Housing Service Centre:

- a. How many vacant blocks are currently managed by the Department; and
- b. Of those blocks currently vacant, the longest period of time a block has been left vacant?

ANSWER:

As at 30 June 2024, the number of vacant parcels of land by Housing Service Centre area follows:

• Bayside, 15	• Ipswich, 154
• Bundaberg, 13	• Logan, 74
• Buranda, 71	• Mackay, 34
• Cairns, 84	• Maroochydore, 21
• Chermside, 23	• Maryborough, 44
• Emerald, 31	• Moreton Bay, 22
• Fortitude Valley, 21	• Mount Isa, 36
• Gladstone, 30	• Rockhampton, 56
• Gold Coast, 20	• Toowoomba, 38
• Inala, 41	• Townsville, 58

Almost 55 per cent of these parcels are programmed for construction, which includes construction work currently underway, or have been identified for future construction.

Over 25 per cent of these parcels are heavily constrained, meaning they have significant flood risk or have other impediments to use, such as tenure type.

The number of vacant parcels of land fluctuates, for example due to new purchases of new land or following transfer of land between agencies or levels of government. Previously habitable land can also become vacant, for example where fire destroys an existing home.

It is not possible to accurately determine which Department-owned land parcel has been left vacant for the longest period of time.

Housing, Big Build and Manufacturing Committee

Estimates Pre-Hearing Question on Notice

No. 18

Asked on Tuesday, 9 July 2024

THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With respect to social housing tenancies managed by the Department of Housing, will the Minister provide as at 1 July 2024:

- a. The number of tenants currently incarcerated paying minimum rent; and
- b. The total number of tenants currently incarcerated?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Government has a long history of supporting the most vulnerable Queenslanders to access safe and stable housing.

The Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works (the department) is one of the largest landlords in the State managing over 56,000 tenancies across the State.

If a tenant is absent from their home due to being incarcerated, the department will regularly engage with the tenant and Queensland Corrective Services to identify the tenant's needs, including housing stability, when they exit a correctional facility. This is to support the tenant's successful reintegration into the community and help reduce the chances of them re-offending.

The department considers a public housing home as vacant due to incarceration only where the tenant who is incarcerated is the sole occupant of the home.

The department's minimum rent policy can be applied in these instances.

As at 30 June 2024, there were 33 public housing tenancies where the sole tenant is was incarcerated (0.06%) of the portfolio. Of these tenancies, 11 tenants (0.02%) were paying minimum rent.

Housing, Big Build and Manufacturing Committee

Estimates Pre-Hearing Question on Notice

No. 19

Asked on Tuesday, 9 July 2024

THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister detail what support has been provided to Indigenous Housing Groups and corporations to ensure their governance and ongoing sustainability?

ANSWER:

As of 30 June 2024, there are 17 registered ICHOs across Queensland managing approximately 598 properties, 518 of which are community housing assets as defined by the *Housing Act 2003*.

The Miles Government has taken significant steps to support and strengthen the Indigenous community housing sector, including providing \$5.5 million over five years (2021 to 2025) to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing Queensland (ATSIHQ), to support the growth and long-term sustainability of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community housing providers in Queensland to:

- improve corporate governance and strategic planning among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community housing providers
- assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community housing providers and collaborations between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community housing providers to apply for funding to provide more local housing
- address barriers and challenges to National Regulatory System for Community Housing (NRSCH) registration for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community housing providers
- complete workforce planning including training provision
- complete organisational planning and development.

The *Our Place: A First Nations Housing and Homelessness Action Plan 2024-2027* (Our Place Action Plan) commits to continue growing the size, viability, and sustainability of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled sector, including:

- establishing a Queensland Indigenous Community Housing Maintenance and Upgrades Grant program, to be delivered in partnership with ATSIHQ
- mapping the First Nations housing sector's portfolio and services to identify opportunities for growth and optimisation of assets
- expanding ATSIHQ's capacity to deliver partnership and sector-strengthening outcomes
- reducing barriers and red tape for Indigenous community housing organisations aspiring to sustainable participation in the NRSCH.

The department will continue to work in close partnership with ATSIHQ through co-chairing the Queensland First Nations Housing and Homelessness Partnership

(QFNHH Partnership). This partnership provides the necessary structure to empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to share decision-making authority with the Queensland Government.

The QFNHH Partnership will guide the implementation of the Our Place Action Plan, with a focus on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural perspectives.

Through these collaborative efforts the Queensland Government is investing in a stronger, more resilient, and culturally responsive First Nations community housing sector.

Housing, Big Build and Manufacturing Committee

Estimates Pre-Hearing Question on Notice

No. 20

Asked on Tuesday, 9 July 2024

THE HOUSING, BIG BUILD AND MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE
ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

What incentives has the minister implemented to encourage utilisation of existing, vacant housing stock west of the great dividing range?

ANSWER:

As at 30 June 2024, there were 18 vacant tenantable social housing properties west of the Great Dividing Range in Queensland.

Of these, 15 properties have been categorised as "hard-to-let" properties where there is no demand for social housing accommodation in that location.

The department uses a range of strategies to encourage utilisation of existing vacant housing stock, including collaborating with local and adjoining communities to identify people who may be suitable for the property location and property features.

This may include offering relocation support to tenants or expanding the eligibility criteria on a temporary basis to respond to specific housing needs in regional areas. The department also undertakes renovations, upgrades, or redevelopment to modernise existing stock and encourage utilisation.