



Speech By  
**Hon. Dr Steven Miles**


**MEMBER FOR MURRUMBA**

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## **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

### **Housing**

 **Hon. SJ MILES** (Murrumba—ALP) (Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister Assisting the Premier on Olympics Infrastructure) (9.48 am): Just over a month ago, the Premier hosted an historic event that brought together almost 200 people. The Queensland Housing Summit took a collaborative approach to finding ways to ensure Queensland families have access to secure, affordable and diverse housing. Those attending were from all levels of government, community housing and service organisations and the construction, property development, real estate and finance industries. Importantly, community members with lived experience of housing stress and homelessness also participated.

The Premier has today tabled the *Queensland Housing Summit: outcomes report*. The report sets out initiatives to be led by my department including the creation of a specialist cross-government housing delivery board that will drive the implementation of the actions in the outcomes report and ensure results are achieved. We are also expanding the role of the government's land use planning and property development agency, Economic Development Queensland, and plan for a post-Olympic housing stock boost achieved through the use of Olympic village infrastructure.

My department will also continue its audit identifying government owned land and buildings that could be used for housing. Included are sites leased to other entities such as local councils that could potentially incorporate accommodation. Hundreds of potential sites have been reviewed, of which seven have been short-listed for further investigation in Southport, Varsity Lakes, Fortitude Valley, Wynnum, Bundaberg, Mango Hill and Albion, and the audit is continuing. Better planning opportunities are also being explored.

The South East Queensland Regional Plan Shaping SEQ will be reviewed to ensure it stays responsive to changing circumstances in the housing market. I hosted the first meeting of the South East Queensland Regional Planning Committee to begin the review last week. Other opportunities to be explored include the potential for introducing Queensland government priority growth areas to the planning framework to better unlock land in greenfield and infill areas. These initiatives will complement those already underway, including \$200 million in infrastructure funding, fewer restrictions on secondary dwellings and faster approvals for emergency housing. On behalf of the Queensland government, I thank all those who participated in the Queensland Housing Summit and the earlier Queensland Housing Round Table. I look forward to putting this report into action to deliver more homes for Queenslanders.