Question on Notice No. 1518 Asked on Thursday 1 September 2016

MR POWELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND PUBLIC WORKS (HON M DE BRENNI) —

Will the Minister provide an update on any legislative or regulatory agenda pertaining to the review of the Manufactured Homes Act?

ANSWER

The Government has committed to developing a new Queensland Housing Strategy to shape the vision for housing (including seniors housing) in Queensland over the next ten years. The review of the *Manufactured Homes (Residential Parks) Act 2003* is part of the development of the new Housing Strategy.

The release of the *Working together for better housing and sustainable communities* discussion paper earlier this year gave Queenslanders, including manufactured home owners and park owners, an opportunity to provide the Government their views about a fairer and more sustainable housing system that better meets the needs of the people and communities of Queensland.

It is important to ensure that home owners living in residential parks, predominantly seniors living on fixed incomes, are adequately protected when entering, living in and leaving a residential park.

We have identified priority reforms informed by the consultation to be progressed in the first Action Plan under the Housing Strategy.

Any legislative amendments will seek to ensure that regulatory arrangements reflect contemporary needs, are fair and accountable, and provide adequate consumer protections that support the goal of putting people at the centre of housing markets and communities.