

Question on Notice
No. 38
Asked on Tuesday, 4 February 2020

MR J BLEIJIE ASKED MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND PUBLIC WORKS; MINISTER FOR DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER FOR SPORT (HON M DE BRENNI)

With reference to public housing properties located on the Sunshine Coast, as of 30 January 2020—

Will the Minister advise the number of vacant properties and the number of days each property, reported separately, had been vacant since the previous tenants vacated the property?

ANSWER

As at 31 January 2020 there are 2,471 government owned and managed properties in the Sunshine Coast LGA.

A total of 11 properties available for reletting were vacant as at this date. Of these, all were vacated and are undergoing, or have undergone vacant maintenance.

Vacant maintenance is performed in accordance with the Department of Housing and Public Works' Vacant Maintenance Policy with the works performed to provide the incoming tenant with a property that is fit to live in, is in good repair and provides a healthy, secure and safe home, in the shortest possible time.

The department manages its vacant maintenance to ensure people in high housing need receive timely assistance and to minimise financial costs through loss of rent. Where possible, maintenance work is undertaken within benchmarked timeframes to reinstate the property to a lettable standard.

A table showing the number of days each property had been vacant is reported below.

Suburb of Property	LGA	Date property become Vacant (since last tenant left)	Days Vacant (no.)	Comments
Yandina, QLD, 4561	Sunshine Coast Council	18/10/2019	105	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extensive works required.• Property has been tenanted since 06/02/2020.
Sippy Downs, QLD, 4556	Sunshine Coast Council	03/01/2020	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extensive upgrade works required.• Work expected to be completed by early-mid March 2020.
Maroochydore, QLD, 4558	Sunshine Coast Council	15/01/2020	26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vacant maintenance works complete.• Tenanted since 05/02/2020.

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Caloundra, QLD, 4551	Sunshine Coast Council	11/01/2020	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant maintenance works complete. • Tenanted since 05/02/2020.
Nambour, QLD, 4560	Sunshine Coast Council	14/01/2020	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive upgrade works underway due to termite damage.
Kings Beach, QLD, 4551	Sunshine Coast Council	14/01/2020	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant maintenance works complete. • Tenanted since 06/02/2020.
Mooloolaba, QLD, 4557	Sunshine Coast Council	16/01/2020	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant maintenance works complete. • Tenanted since 13/02/2020.
Buderim, QLD, 4556	Sunshine Coast Council	21/01/2020	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant maintenance works complete. • Tenanted since 10/02/2020.
Nambour, QLD, 4560	Sunshine Coast Council	21/01/2020	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant maintenance works complete. • Tenanted since 14/02/2020.
Sunshine Beach, QLD, 4567	Sunshine Coast Council	22/01/2020	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant maintenance works complete. • Tenanted since 20/02/2020.
Beerburrum, QLD, 4517	Sunshine Coast Council	24/01/2020	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant maintenance works are being carried out from 25/01/2020.