Question on Notice

No. 35

Asked on Tuesday, 23 February 2021

MR T MANDER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNITIES AND HOUSING, MINISTER FOR DIGITAL ECONOMY AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (HON L ENOCH)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the 2020-21 budget and the government commitment to commencing construction on 832 new social housing dwellings—

Will the Minister advise how many of these proposed dwellings have commenced construction?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for the question.

As at 28 February 2021, contracts have been awarded for the commencement of 381 new social housing dwellings. With a large proportion of projects also in the design and tender process, I expect the department to meet its target.

By contrast, when the Member for Everton was the Minister for Housing in 2013-14, there were zero commencements in areas such as Logan, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast and Ipswich.