

Question on Notice

No. 1314

Asked on Wednesday, 9 November 2022

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 Community Housing, and the government's Community-managed Studio Units—

Will the Minister advise (a) the number of registered providers approved under the program, (b) the number of properties tenanted under the program each year at 30 June from 2017, (c) budgeted expenditure per financial year committed to the Community-managed Studio Units 2017-18 and (d) actual expenditure per financial year committed to the Community-managed Studio Units 2017-18?

ANSWER:

Queensland has a vibrant Community Housing sector which delivers essential housing services to thousands of Queenslanders each day. The Community-Managed Studio Units (CMSU) funded program provides social housing assistance to eligible households on the Housing Register.

As at 31 October 2022, the CMSU was delivered by 19 registered community housing providers with either provider-owned properties, for which they have received a capital contribution from the department, or department-owned properties leased to the provider.

As at 30 June 2017, 1390 properties were tenanted; as at 30 June 2018, 1405 properties were tenanted; as at 30 June 2019, 1379 properties were tenanted; as at 30 June 2020, 1370 properties were tenanted; as at 30 June 2021, 1285 properties were tenanted and as at 30 June 2022, 1341 properties were tenanted. Fluctuations over the period occur as a result of normal vacancy turnover associated with the program.

The department's budgeted expenditure per financial year for maintenance, repairs and upgrade works is created at a whole of social housing property portfolio level and allocated to individual CMSU properties based on needs determined through property condition reports. It is therefore not possible to provide a response to part c of the Member's question.

In 2017-18, the actual expenditure committed to the CMSU program was \$843,000; in 2018-19, the actual expenditure was \$1,469,000; in 2019-20, the actual expenditure was \$984,000; in 2020-21 the actual expenditure was \$4,833,000 and in 2021-22 the actual expenditure was \$2,918,000.

The Queensland Government maintains a long-term commitment to, and investment in, social and affordable housing, including government and community housing providers, who are key to ensuring a single healthy housing system.