

Question on Notice

No. 395

Asked on Tuesday, 10 May 2022

DR A MACMAHON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNITIES AND HOUSING, MINISTER FOR DIGITAL ECONOMY AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (HON L ENOCH)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise what the net number of social housing dwellings operated by the department is for each of the following periods (a) 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019, (b) 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020, (c) 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021 and (d) 1 Jan 2022 to the present?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

During the period 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019 there were 54,557 social housing dwellings.

During the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020 there were 54,851 social housing dwellings.

During the period 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021 there were 55,062 social housing dwellings.

During the period 1 January 2022 to 10 May 2022 there were 55,188 social dwellings.

This reflects the number of social housing dwellings in Queensland that are Government owned and managed only. This does not include properties that are owned or managed by community housing providers, which has also seen an increase over the same period of time.

On 15 June 2021, the Palaszczuk Government launched the Queensland Housing and Homelessness Action Plan 2021-2025.

Through this action plan the Palaszczuk Government is investing \$2.9 billion over 4 years including the establishment of a \$1 billion Housing Investment Fund to help more vulnerable Queenslanders into homes quicker.

The Queensland Housing Growth Initiative was established under the action plan to accelerate the delivery of more than 6,365 new social housing commencements through a \$1.9 billion investment in a four year integrated capital investment program across the state. Additionally, through the Help to Home initiative, the Palaszczuk will deliver housing outcomes for 1000 households through partnership arrangements with property owners, landlords and registered community housing providers to deliver private rental outcomes to people who are eligible for social housing.

The \$2.9 billion total housing investment by the Palaszczuk Government is the largest concentrated investment in social and affordable housing in Queensland's history.