

Question on Notice
No. 920-2022
Asked on Wednesday, 31 August 2022
Answer Due: Friday, 30 September 2022

920 **MR J LANGBROEK** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR SENIORS AND DISABILITY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PARTNERSHIPS (HON C CRAWFORD)

With reference to the Minister's answer to Question on Notice No. 666 of 2022 revealing that 750 people have completed the seniors' survey out of more than 950,000 seniors' card and carers' card holders—

Will the Minister advise what action the department is taking to receive a larger cross section of responses?

Answer:

The current Age-Friendly Strategy continues to support Queensland seniors while we develop a new contemporary seniors' strategy.

The new strategy will be informed by the voices of older Queenslanders through a variety of forums.

Between 3 March and 31 August 2022, 2610 people have completed an online seniors survey: (<https://qchub.dsdsatsip.qld.gov.au/seniors-strategy/userinfo/age-friendly-queensland-survey>) telling us what is important to them.

A further 756 surveys have been completed at Seniors Expos or Seniors Savers pop-up events, or other events such as Seniors Month activities in October 2021 or the Ekka in August 2022. These events will continue in 2022–23 to inform seniors and hear directly from them about the key issues impacting them.

In the coming months, we will work with the Council on the Ageing Queensland and undertake further consultation including with vulnerable groups such as First Nations seniors, seniors with disability, seniors from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, seniors living in rural and remote locations and members of the LGBTIQ+ community. This engagement will affirm the Queensland Government's commitment to seniors and provide input to the next seniors strategy, due for release in 2023.

The Queensland Government remains committed to continuing to build an age-friendly Queensland where seniors feel valued, safe and connected within their communities.