

Question on Notice

No. 383

Asked on Tuesday, 16 April 2024

MR T MANDER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the 2022-23 State Budget, which identified ‘\$441.3 million for capital purchases and capital grants through the Queensland Housing Investment Growth Initiative to deliver new social homes and upgrade existing dwellings for vulnerable Queenslanders’—

Will the Minister provide (a) the total amount expended as at 1 April 2024 of the \$441.3m announced, (b) the total number of new dwellings set to be constructed with this funding (reported separately by Housing Service Centre), (c) the number of dwellings in part (b) which are now tenanted (reported separately by Housing Service Centre), (d) the total number of dwellings set to be upgraded with this funding (reported separately by Housing Service Centre) and (e) the number of dwellings in part (d) that have had their upgrades completed with the dwelling now tenanted?

ANSWER:

The forecast capital expenditure for social housing in the 2022-23 State Budget provides a point in time projection of expenditure on new housing construction, land purchases, upgrades and capital grants for each region during the 2022-23 period. This funding was to support ongoing delivery under the *Housing and Homelessness Action Plan 2021-25* for new social homes and the upgrade of existing dwellings, including the QuickStarts Qld program.

It would be an inefficient use of state resources to reconcile the actual expenditure, dwelling or tenancy data for a rolling, multi-year capital delivery program against individual Housing Service Centres.

I confirm that in the 2022-23 period, the Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works:

- expended the total of the \$441.3 million announced, including on construction, acquisition, land development and dwelling upgrades; and
- as part of the ongoing delivery of the *Housing and Homelessness Action Plan 2021-25*, delivered 858 new social homes, reflecting an 109 per cent increase on 2021-22.