

Question on Notice

No. 1215

Asked on Thursday, 16 October 2025

MR C MULLEN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR YOUTH (HON S O'CONNOR)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise (a) the number and percentage of department owned dwellings currently assessed as being in a safe and acceptable condition, (b) the number and percentage of department owned dwellings not in a safe and acceptable condition and (c) the amount of funding allocated in the 2025–26 State Budget for maintenance of department owned dwellings?

ANSWER:

The Department of Housing and Public Works maintains over 62,000 social homes, comprised of more than 57,000 State-owned dwellings geographically dispersed across Queensland and more than 5,000 dwellings in remote First Nations LGA communities, as at 30 June 2025.

The department has a strong focus on strategic asset management to ensure our portfolio continues to provide the best possible service delivery outcomes for our tenants, many of whom have significant needs.

The department allocates maintenance and upgrade funding annually through the budget process to ensure that these properties are safe, secure and in good repair.

A small proportion of homes are regarded as difficult to access to undertake repairs, are undergoing vacant maintenance following the exit of a tenant, on a maintenance or upgrade work program or pending a strategic asset management review if the home has reached the end of its economic life.

- (a) As at 30 September 2025, of the 40,590 buildings (more than 62,000 social homes) maintained by the department, 39,864 buildings (98.21 per cent) are in an acceptable condition.
- (b) As at 30 September 2025, of the 40,590 buildings (more than 62,000 social homes) maintained by the department, 726 buildings (1.79 per cent) are considered to be below the department's acceptable condition.
- (c) The department has a budget of \$325.2 million in 2025-26 to maintain social housing properties under the department's responsibility, an increase of \$15.9 million from the former government's original 2024-25 social housing maintenance budget.