



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

QTON No. 06

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, TRANSPORT, AND CITY SERVICES
JO CLAY MLA (CHAIR), SUZANNE ORR MLA (DEPUTY CHAIR), MARK PARTON MLA

Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports and Budget Estimates 2020-21
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
03 March 2021

Asked by MR PARTON:

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In relation to: Over the counter sales.

MR PARTON: All right. Can I ask how many single dwelling and/or duplex blocks were offered—this could be on notice, but maybe it is not—were offered for over the counter sales in 19-20 and how many are planned for 20-21 and 21-22? So how many single dwelling or duplex blocks were offered for over the counter sales in 19-20 and how many are planned for 20-21 and 21-22? I think you have got that information here. Or is that an on notice question?

MINISTER BERRY: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

All releases of blocks through the Over-The-Counter (OTC) method are done so in a transparent, public manner. The Suburban Land Agency (SLA) will typically provide advice to its database of email subscribers through electronic direct mail (eDMs) to alert customers to an offer of blocks. News items will be posted on the SLA's website suburbanland.act.gov.au in the lead up to the release. Advertising through various print, digital and radio channels may be undertaken. Details of the block number and section, block size, price and date range for settlement are made available on the SLA's website. Contact details for the SLA's appointed sales agent are provided. The SLA's interactive map on the website is also updated detailing available blocks.

Copies of relevant Sales Documentation is provided on the SLA's website. This includes: *Residential Over-the-Counter Sales Conditions*; *Land Release Privacy Policy*; *First Grant Contract For Sale*; and the *Specimen Crown Lease*. Links to various documents that comprise the *Housing Development Guide* for the suburb can also be found on the website.

For 2019-20, the SLA released 490 blocks for single residential dwellings as part of the 2019-20 Indicative Land Release Program (ILRP). Of these, 63 blocks were originally offered using the OTC method.

For 2020-21, the SLA has released, or proposes to release, 981 blocks for single residential dwellings as part of the 2020-21 ILRP. Of these, 271 blocks were originally offered using the OTC method.



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The release methodologies planned for 2021-22 have not been confirmed. This will be done following the release of the 2021-22 ILRP by the Government in mid-2021.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transport, and City Services

Signature:

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, likely belonging to Yvette Berry.

Date: 10/03/21

By the Minister for Housing and Suburban Development, Yvette Berry MLA