



Inquiry into Specialist Disability Accommodation service delivery through Housing ACT

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Ms Fiona Carrick MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Disability, Carers and Community Services

Reference: HCSD

Hearing: 15 June 2026

In relation to: SDA - Identifying Tenants and Accessing Funding

Question received: 20 June 2026

Answer Due: 29 June 2026

Minister, this question is about identifying the tenants with SDA funding:

1. What steps did you take to ensure the Government identified tenants with SDA funding in their plans?
2. Why did it take until 2024–2026 to begin engaging directly with tenants about SDA eligibility?
3. Do you accept that earlier identification could have enabled funding to be accessed?

Ms Suzanne Orr MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. I did not take any steps to ensure the government identified tenants with Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA) funding in their plans as the responsibility for engaging with and managing tenants in public housing dwellings sits with the Minister for Homes, Homelessness and New Suburbs.
2. The decision on when to engage directly with tenants about SDA eligibility is a matter for the Minister for Homes, Homelessness and New Suburbs.
3. No formal decision was sought from government on this matter. The operational decision making of Housing ACT in relation to SDA registration and funding is within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Homes, Homelessness and New Suburbs.

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By the Minister for Disability, Carers and Community Services, Ms Suzanne Orr MLA