



## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND URBAN RENEWAL  
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Today, 30 March 2017, the Chair of the Standing Committee on Planning and Urban Renewal, Caroline Le Couteur MLA, advised the Legislative Assembly of the Committee's decision to initiate two new inquiries.

In one inquiry, the Committee will inquire into Housing in the ACT, in particular 'into the interaction of population growth, housing affordability, housing diversity and design, consumer behaviour, and suburban and environmental impact of residential development in the present ... Assembly'.

The Committee, in this inquiry, will consider a number of issues, including:

- existing housing diversity;
- demand for different housing types;
- effects of suburban infill, housing in centres, land release and greenfield development;
- the effectiveness of existing regulation and zoning;
- best practice in this area in other jurisdictions; and
- any other relevant matter.

Through the course of this inquiry the Committee will take into consideration a broad range of views, in depth, and it intends to report to the Assembly by the last sitting day of 2018.

In its other inquiry, the Committee will inquire into billboards for outdoor advertising in the ACT. This will include consideration of:

- current rules and practices;
- community views on placement and construction;
- whether there should be designated areas for billboards;
- regulation of billboard advertising to limit environmental or aesthetic impact; and
- any other relevant matter.

This inquiry is narrower in scope and the Committee intends to report to the Assembly by the last sitting day of October 2017.

Both inquiries are open for submissions.

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