



STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, AGEING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
CHRIS STEEL MLA (CHAIR), ELIZABETH KICKERT MLA (DEPUTY CHAIR), VICKI DUNNE MLA,
CAROLINE LE COUTEUR MLA, MICHAEL PETERSSON MLA

**Inquiry into referred 2016–17 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Asked by MR MARK PARTON MLA:

In relation to Housing ACT and the housing portfolio responsibility generally.

Could the Minister provide an update to the response to Question on Notice No 8 signed off by the Minister on 23 January 2017 to reflect actual outcomes for 2016-17.

- 1) In relation to social housing procured and supplied by the Community Services Directorate (and Housing ACT as appropriate), for 2016-17, could the Minister provide a table showing the
 - (i) total resident population as at 30 June for each of the years above,
 - (ii) number of new residents accommodated each year,
 - (iii) number of residents who transferred out to accommodation procured and supplied by community service providers,
 - (iv) number of residents evicted,
 - (v) number of residents who transferred out into accommodation in the private sector and no longer dependant on social housing
 - (vi) net change in resident population for each year.
- 2) In relation to social housing procured and supplied by community services providers for 2016-17 Budget, could the Minister provide a table showing
 - (i) the total resident population as at 30 June for each of the years,
 - (ii) the number of new residents accommodated each year,
 - (iii) the number of residents who transferred back into housing procured and supplied by the Community Services Directorate (and Housing ACT as appropriate),
 - (iv) the number of residents evicted,
 - (v) the number of residents who transferred out into accommodation in the private sector and no longer dependant on social housing and
 - (vi) the net change in resident population for each year.
- 3) Can the Minister provide a consolidation of the figures for parts (1) and (2)?
- 4) What was the number of rent paying tenants, as opposed to total resident population, for 2016-17?

YVETTE BERRY MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

1) Public Housing ⁽¹⁾

		(a) 2012-13	(b) 2013-14	(c) 2014-15	(d) 2015-16	(e) 2016-17
(i)	Total resident population (households) ⁽²⁾	11,577	10,724	10,611	10,587	10,640
(ii)	New residents (households)	628	608	553	591	591
(iii)	Transferred to Community Sector ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	-	-
(iv)	No. of households evicted	19	43	29	25	18
(v)	Transferred to private market ⁽⁴⁾	473	490	488	467	457
(vi)	Net change in resident population (households)	-246	-853	-113	-24	53

2) Community Sector ⁽⁵⁾

		(a) 2012-13	(b) 2013-14	(c) 2014-15	(d) 2015-16	(e) 2016-17
(i)	Total resident population (households)	542	530	574	634	774
(ii)	New residents (households)	162	168	234	212	276
(iii)	Transferred to Public Housing ⁽⁶⁾					
	No. of residents Evicted ⁽⁶⁾					
	Transferred to private market ⁽⁶⁾					
(vi)	Net change in residents (households)		-12	44	60	140

3) Consolidated

		(a) 2012-13	(b) 2013-14	(c) 2014-15	(d) 2015-16	(e) 2016-17
(i)	Total resident population (households)	12,119	11,254	11,185	11,221	11,414
(ii)	New residents (households)	790	776	787	803	867
(iii)	Net Transfers ^{(3) & (6)}	-	-	-	-	-
(iv)	No. of residents evicted ⁽⁷⁾	41	65	48	51	
(v)	Transferred to private market ⁽⁷⁾	1,963	1,706	1,686	1,575	
(vi)	Net change in residents (households)		-865	-69	36	193

4) Number of Rent Paying Tenants ⁽⁸⁾

(a) 2012-13	(b) 2013-14	(c) 2014-15	(d) 2015-16	(e) 2016-17
100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Notes

The unit of measurement in these tables is households (number of residents was previously provided). This change was made to provide more accurate data for community housing as the person count may not reflect all residents at a point in time. The household counts provided in these tables has been quality checked and published in the Report on Government Services.

- (1) Only includes public housing tenancies and therefore excludes student accommodation, properties head leased to the community sector and other program properties.
- (2) Total households at 30 June each year.
- (3) Data not available.
- (4) Based upon tenancy termination reasons such as purchase a home in the ACT or interstate, to rent privately or to relocate into a nursing home or aged care facility.
- (5) Data is from the National Community Housing Data Collection for the seven major community housing organisations with ongoing arrangements with the ACT Government.

The organisations include:

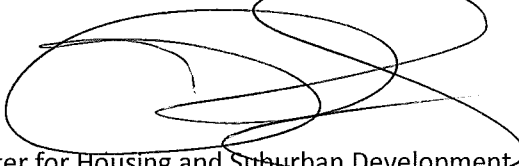
- i) Havelock Housing Association
- ii) Argyle Community Housing
- iii) Capital Community Housing
- iv) Environmental Collective Housing Organisation
- v) Tamil Senior Citizens
- vi) YWCA
- vii) Salvos Housing.

These are organisations that have received capital or recurrent subsidy from government for the purpose of providing community housing and excludes dwellings where the tenancies are managed under crisis accommodation, affordable rental, transitional housing, other specific purpose tenancy management such as mental health or drug and alcohol rehabilitation. The increase in community housing households in 2016-17 is due in part to the increase in the number of community housing providers participating in the national collection.

- (6) Data not available / not collected.
- (7) Data is available for public housing tenants only.
- (8) All tenants are required to pay rent. The amount of rent payable for each tenancy is the lower of the market rent or an amount equivalent to 25% of the assessable household income. The income of the tenant and all adult residents is taken into account when determining the amount of the assessable household income for determining the rent payable by the tenant with the difference between the market rent and the income based rent provided as a rebate of rent. Some sources of income are exempt, whilst other may be assessed at a rate less than 25%, such as Family Tax A, of which only 10% is included in the determination of household income. For further details refer to clause 25 of the Housing Assistance Public Rental Housing Assistance Program 2013 (no. 1) on the ACT Legislation Register.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Health, Ageing and Community Services

Signature:



Date: 12/12/17

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

