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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, TRANSPORT, AND CITY SERVICES
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Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports and Budget Estimates 2020-21
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Jo Clay:

EPSDD AR P. 26 and TCCSAR P. 293

In relation to: Development Application Consultations

I'm interested in the innovative online methods for DA consultations described on page 26 (last point) of the EPSDD Annual Report.

- What were the numbers of representations made to Development applications in the financial year 2019-2020 as compared with 2018-2019?
- And how are representations tracking for 2020-2021?
- Only 78% of DAs got a response by EPSDD within agreed timelines and only 71% got a response to developer submissions lower than the 85% target. What's the hold up? P293

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

The Directorate does not keep statistics on the total number of representations made across all development applications. However, the Directorate does record the number of merit track development applications where representations were made.

In 2018-19, of the 1083 applications determined, 315 had one or more representation made (29 %). In 2019-20, of the 1094 applications determined, 287 had one or more representation made (26 %). In 2020-21 (to the end of February 2021), of the 548 applications determined, 151 had one or more representation made (28 %).

The number and complexity of submissions to Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate has increased over recent years. The number of multi-unit and mixed-use developments has almost doubled since 2012-13. During the last quarter of 2019-20, staff were also adjusting to working from home because of the COVID-19 pandemic which added another layer of complexity.

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By the Acting Minister for Planning and Land Management, Chris Steel