

More than a Roof and Four Walls & Housing 2020 Considering a WA Affordable Housing Strategy



An Information and Consultation Forum
for Affordable Housing Stakeholders

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Welcome and Introduction

- Acknowledgement of Nygoongar Land
- Participant Introduction Round Robin
- Format

Overview of the SHTF (+) reports and recommendations

discussion of methodology for categorisation

Identification of priority issues for consideration (consumer focus)

- Break

Small group table based discussions (theme / issue /
jurisdiction / responsibility / likelihood / achievability)

Whole group feedback and summary

Overview reports and rec's

- The Social Housing Taskforce Report – ‘More than a Roof and Four Walls’ contains 56 recommendations
- Most feed into the 4 Reform Themes of strategy paper ‘Housing 2020’
- Recommendations refer to all levels of Government jurisdiction – Commonwealth, State, Regional and Local – many require simultaneous political will and cultural change at Commonwealth, State and LGA level
- Most require robust data collection – collection of new data not currently known of current tenants and applicants and local and regional population and demographic analysis and projections
- Many require policy development, collaboration, partnerships, cooperation, financial and human resourcing – staff training and support
- Some require access to viable and available alternative housing options – to transition households no longer eligible, to address underoccupancy, to offer home ownership and shared equity schemes
- Some recommendations already underway and well supported
- Some recommendations harder to achieve and complex

Overview reports and rec's

Housing 2020 Themes

- **Reforming the provision of Public Housing**
 - 14 recommendations
 - 4 already underway - 1 & 2 brm & 4+ brm, demand projection and housing needs register
 - 3 require Commonwealth or Multiple State Ministerial cooperation
 - 3 refer to strategy and policy development with possible requirement for legislative change - NFP Housing Company, affordable Housing Strategy and Framework
 - **4 impact on consumers – rent setting, underoccupancy and allocations**

Overview reports and rec's

Housing 2020 Themes

- **Promoting Growth through Participation**

- 8 recommendations
- 1 already underway - State Government continues its role in provision of affordable land
- 3 require State Ministerial and Local Government cooperation
- 3 refer to strategy and policy development with possible requirement for legislative change – Housing Innovations Team, articulation of targets for CH growth and the Affordable Rental Brokerage Scheme
- **1 impacts on consumers – Aboriginal housing provision, participation and ICHO capacity and viability development**


Overview reports and rec's

Housing 2020 Themes

- **Increasing the Supply and Range of Land and Housing**
 - 17 recommendations
 - 3 already underway or supported - State Government market leader, innovation & land development, profit use
 - 2 require (Commonwealth) partnership or investigation of personal tax implications – provision of Aboriginal centres & renting rooms in private houses
 - 12 refer to changes to planning, strategic development asset management and data collection analysis and projection and require ministerial, Regional and Local Government cooperation

Overview reports and rec's

Housing 2020 Themes

- **Improve support and transition incentives**
 - 17 recommendations
 - 3 Commonwealth responsibility or major restructure of State Department: changes to CRA, guarantee of  NAHA funding and transfer of service responsibility from DCP
 - 3 supported and mostly underway – royalties for regions to key worker housing, support for ngo's, public education
 - **11 impact on consumers: regional rental subsidies, bond loans, aboriginal loans and aboriginal rental subsidies, recognition of long term (permanent) need for some, development of individual housing plans, commitment to support and transition services, Key Start and Shared Equity schemes**

Process for Consultation

- How to consider the highest priority recommendations to focus on?
- Handouts of Recommendations & associated Reform Themes with brief notes of tasks required to implement
- Identification of those:
 - already underway / agreed
 - Commonwealth / multi agency / policy (harder)
 - Consumer related – high dept resource needs

Small group consideration

- Each table to determine which recommendations to thoroughly explore and comment –
- (Departmental ‘expert’) Scribe and Spokesperson for each group
- 30 minutes to discuss and note
- Feedback to whole group
- Summary and Finish

Thank You

