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New trajectory for housing in Queensland and Australia

In just one week, the Queensland Housing Summit and the Federal Budget have changed the trajectory for housing in Queensland and Australia.

Historic Queensland Housing Summit

The Queensland Housing Summit will lead to a Report being tabled in Parliament during November. The Summit examined:

- solutions to the supply of social and affordable housing,
- overall housing supply,
- addressing community attitudes to housing diversity and density, and
- additional ways to innovate and solve the challenges we face right now while also ensuring a healthy pipeline of housing into the future.

The Summit included people with lived experience of housing need and homelessness; the private sector; community sector; and elected representatives from across local government, the State and Federal Government. It was heartening to have Federal Housing Minister Julie Collins present all day and to have all political parties represented. Since the Summit, Q Shelter has continued meeting with the Department of Premier and Cabinet and other Departments to provide input and support to the emergence of the Report.

Federal Budget puts housing first

The Federal Budget contains a range of measures to ease cost of living pressures and increase remuneration to vital human service industries such as aged care. The Budget includes an objective to improve the overall supply and affordability of housing which will

set a new trajectory for growth in supply of both social and affordable housing. Importantly, the budget sets down a new Accord involving Government and financial institutions in achieving one million new homes from 2024.

This responds to Q Shelter's concerns about the health of the whole housing system as the best context for the delivery of social and affordable homes. It is encouraging to see affordable housing in the mix which will require an accelerated discussion in Queensland about the definition and policy context for affordable housing as a vital element in a housing system that works for everyone.

Specific measures include:

- Housing Accord to be signed by all States, Territories, local government, construction industry, and investors. The Accord sets a target of one million homes across all tenures over five years from 2024 as capacity constraints are expected to ease
- The Accord sets out high-level scope for planning reform, land supply and supporting density around key infrastructure such as transport
- Commonwealth to fund 10,000 affordable homes with a commitment of up to an additional 10,000 homes from States and Territories
- The involvement of the superannuation industry and institutional investors in innovative funding mechanisms hopefully with positive implications for the structure of the housing rental market resulting in better security of tenure
- Accelerated investment of \$10 billion in the Housing Australia Future Fund to support faster delivery of housing (30,000 social and affordable homes over five years)
- The Government is expanding the remit of the National Housing Infrastructure Facility to enable more flexible use of \$575 million of existing funds. This will help unlock a projected 5,500 new dwellings.
- \$15.2 million funding to establish the National Housing Supply and Affordability Council
- \$13.4 million funding to develop a ten-year National Housing and Homelessness Plan in 2023 in association with States and Territories, industry bodies and not-for-profit organisations
- The National Housing and Homelessness Agreement has been extended by one year to allow for the development of the Plan. No additional funding has been announced.
- Funding to establish Housing Australia including to administer the Housing Australia Future Fund
- \$324.6 million to establish a Help-to-Buy Scheme including support to purchase homes for regional Australians and for Veterans. There is also assistance for older home owners to downsize.
- \$9.2 million for a partnership to coordinate across government to deliver against 'Closing the Gap' housing targets
- Funding for State Governments to pilot social impact investments in response to homelessness
- Clean energy technology support for social housing.

[Learn more in the 'Improving Housing Supply and Affordability' fact sheet.](#)

Q Shelter events

There are only a few tickets remaining to the [Q Shelter CEO and Senior Leaders' Lunch](#) and with so much recent progress it is an opportunity to discuss innovations and advance thinking about the role we must play as a sector to help this investment succeed.

Join us on one or more of the following opportunities to gather and connect. Q Shelter is celebrating 35 years as an organisation at the end of the CEO and Leaders' Lunch and you are all welcome to join us for this event.

Warmest regards,



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fiona Cariglieri".

Executive Director

CEO and Senior Leaders' Forum, AGM and 35 Year Celebration

Wednesday 16 November, from 1:00pm, Pullman King George Square, Brisbane.

You are invited for a plated lunch, networking, AGM and our 35-year celebration on 16 November 2022 in Brisbane's CBD.

The CEO and Senior Leaders' Forum will include updates and input from the Queensland Department of Communities, Housing and the Digital Economy.

Speakers will be announced shortly and the agenda shared to those registered.

We will be taking the time to celebrate where we have come from and how we hope to shape the next 35 years.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A PLATED LUNCHEON

CEO and Senior Leaders' Forum Wednesday 16 November 2022

1:00 pm - 4:00pm

Presidential Ballroom, Pullman Hotel
King George Square, Brisbane



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Brisbane 2032 Legacy Learning Series

Case Study of Glasgow 2014. Wednesday 9 November, 4:30pm - 5:30pm AEST.

Online.

What did Glasgow 2014 achieve? What can we learn including reflections on the sustainability of legacy eight years on?

As we strive for significant housing legacy from Brisbane 2032, this session will deep-dive on the combined impacts of housing legacy and intentional approaches to inclusion in employment opportunities as part of Glasgow 2014.

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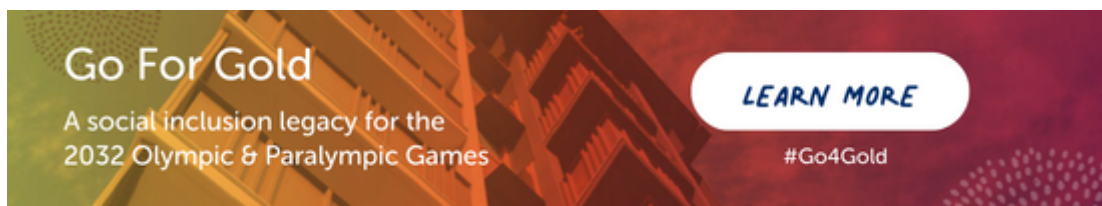
Workshop: Wednesday 16 November, 10:00am - 12:30pm. Pullman King George Square, Brisbane.

In July 2022, Q Shelter released ['Go for Gold'](#) – a social inclusion legacy framework for the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The report was developed with well-known planners- Urbis, and looks at case studies from previous games and mega events, showcases innovation in the sector. The report maps out 46-recommendations across five key result areas, including: reducing homelessness, increasing affordable housing supply,

employment and economic participation, governance, and ongoing monitoring and evaluation linked to Legacy.

This is a 2.5 hours workshop from 10:00am - 12:30pm with morning tea will be available on arrival. The workshop will explore the ['Go for Gold'](#) report in detail, expand on some of the recommendations and workshop for localised advocacy efforts and implementation, across LGA boundaries and regions. Attendees are encouraged to consider attending other Q Shelter events planned on this day, including the [CEO and Leaders Lunch and the Q Shelter, AGM and 35-year celebration](#).

This event would be suited to CEOs and Leaders from community housing sector (CHPs), specialist homelessness services (SHSs), other community service organisations, government, and non-government bodies, peak and other industry bodies .



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Working with people affected by hoarding and squalor

Tuesday 1 November 2022, 9:00am - 5:00pm, Royal on the Park, Brisbane.

Hoarding and squalor can have a significant impact on health and wellbeing of individuals and surrounding communities. It can also have implications for tenancy sustainment.

This training will explore the complexities of working with hoarding and squalor. It will provide participants with a better understanding of hoarding and squalor, tools for screening and assessment (in both outreach and non-outreach settings) risk management processes and strategies (particularly to manage issues such as environmental safety, animal safety, child safety and fire hazards) and strategies to implement a brief intervention within 1 to 10 sessions.

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Building support for affordable housing infrastructure

Wednesday 23 November 2022. 9:00am AEST. Online.

Community housing providers and homelessness services exist in the context of local communities.

Each community contributes to residents' wellbeing and sense of connection and belonging. However, social housing developments and homelessness services can face opposition from local residents, planners, politicians and the media.

Opposition can lead to delays and amendments of projects, and in some cases may even force the abandonment of projects. In the most high-profile cases, the opposition threatens to undermine political and public support for affordable housing provision and homelessness responses.

[This training session](#) is designed to assist community housing providers, homelessness services and interested community members to build community support. This session will assist participants to:

- Develop frameworks for practice in building community support
- Develop skills in preventing and managing situations where opposition is a risk or reality.
- Provide assistance in developing an organisational strategy to build community support.

Positive local relationships can deliver benefits to tenants and service users and also builds the capacity of communities to actively embrace social and cultural diversity.

Price: Members \$100 / Non-member \$130 / Student, tenant or person with lived experience \$50.

***All above prices are exclusive of GST.**

Please contact events@qshelter.asn.au if cost is a barrier to your attendance.

Facilitators: Jenny Roughan (Rough Plan) and Julia Miller-Randle (Cred Consulting)

Please contact the Q Shelter Events Team on events@qshelter.asn.au if you have any questions.



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Exploring insurance solutions: workshop for the community housing sector

***Save the date* Wednesday 26 October 2022, 2:30pm - 3:30pm AEST, online.**

More details will be released soon!

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Online network meetings: discussing real issues impacting our work

Asset Managers Network. 24 November 2022. Online.

Asset managers play a vital role in the sustainability of social housing and in the quality of housing assistance experienced by tenants. Their role is challenging and essential to the success and viability of housing provision.

This meeting includes discussion, speakers, and an exchange of ideas and resources among asset managers to ensure they have access to collegial support, training, information, and tools to help their work.



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Missed out on a training opportunity?

We also have waitlists available for some of our most popular courses, including:

- De-escalation training. [Sign me up!](#)
- Working with people affected by hoarding & squalor. [Sign me up!](#)
- Introduction to property management. [Sign me up!](#)
- DFV & tenancy. [Sign me up!](#)

Testimonial

“The micro-learning series alerted me to maintenance items to look out for that may be indicators of domestic violence such as broken locks or doors, holes punched in walls, and lost keys.

Since engaging with the videos, I have encountered two of the above indicators in a tenancy and was able to help a tenant who wasn't able to or was too afraid to reach out."

Chelsea Anderson, Senior Property Manager and participant in Q Shelter & REIQ's domestic and family violence micro-learning series for Property Managers.



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