Media Alert - Homes for Queenslanders

Q Shelter is preparing a comprehensive analysis of the full package of funding and reforms as part of Homes for Queenslanders, which is due for release on Tuesday 6 February.

We are pleased to see many announcements already that include additional investment and much-needed reforms.

The most recent announcements of improved rights for tenants mean that the growing number of people living in the private rental market are better protected. We are pleased to see that rent bidding is banned.

We look forward to engaging with all stakeholders about a real estate industry code of conduct. It will be easier for tenants to afford the cost of moving with a portable bond scheme as well as interim Bridging Bond Loans to assist households while they are waiting for the release of their bond.

An expansion of Rent Connect will mean that more people will be assisted faster when they need help to find and secure a rental property in the private rental market. Some households experience particular disadvantage because they may not have rental history, may be on lower incomes and may not be competitive with so many other people applying for the same property.

Q Shelter is available for comment as the full Homes for Queenslanders plan is revealed over the coming days.

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About Q Shelter
For over 35 years, Q Shelter has worked as a peak body to improve housing outcomes for Queenslanders. Over this time, we have remained an unwavering voice for solutions through advocacy, strategic engagement and capacity building.

Besides influencing solutions and policy, Q Shelter provides professional development and shares resources to assist other organisations to be effective, so that our combined capacity to respond to housing need is strengthened.