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Federal Leaders’ Debate Falls Short on Nationally Co-ordinated Approach to Housing Solutions

Housing and Homelessness peak body, Q Shelter was heartened to hear housing affordability mentioned at the outset of last night’s Federal Leaders’ Debate. However, is calling for both leaders to go further and commit to a Housing Summit and a National Housing Strategy.

Q Shelter Executive Director, Fiona Caniglia said we needed to know that national leaders would work to unite all relevant stakeholders in a focused effort to address Australia’s deepening housing crisis.

“We need to reach beyond partisan politics to find unity of purpose to ensure all Australians are housed affordably and appropriately. There is no greater threat to our prosperity as a nation and our wellbeing as people,” Ms Caniglia said.

“People in housing stress don’t want political point-scoring. They want solutions that reach ahead to meet forecasted need.

“It isn’t good enough to shift responsibility to other levels of Government. Every level of Government, the private sector, community and not for profit sector all have vital roles to play which is why national leadership is vital.”

Q Shelter is calling for a nationally coordinated approach combined with targets of 32,000 new social and affordable homes for Queensland by 2032.

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Media opportunities for comment by Q Shelter Executive Director, Fiona Caniglia.

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