

# NRSCH Readiness Resource Data Checklist

The following checklist is designed to assist **tier 3** community housing providers to prepare to register their service with the NRSCH. It is a checklist of data that will be required to complete the Community Housing Regulatory Information System (CHRIS) which is the web-based registration portal for the NRSCH.

We would encourage you to look at this check list after you have gone through the 'Evidence Self Check' tool, available from the Q Shelter website.

This document has been structured around six of the seven performance outcome areas noted in the National Regulatory Code. They are:

- 1. Tenants and Housing Services
- 2. Housing Assets
- 3. Community Engagement

- 4. Governance
- 5. Probity
- 6. Management

Data relating to Performance Outcome 7: Financial Viability has not been included in this resource. In order to prepare your service for this aspect of registration you should start looking at the **Financial Performance Report** and the **'Financial Viability' Guidance Note.** Both these documents are available on the NRSCH website.

More information about the metrics, and the data definitions, can be found in the NRSCH publication **Registration Return Guide**, pages 19-37.

When entering data into CHRIS the system some results will be automatically assessed against set metrics in that performance outcome. The result may be indicated through a traffic light system (red, amber, green). A red light does not mean the provider has failed a performance requirement – instead, it indicates that the data does not meet the threshold and the provider has the option to provide an explanation in the comments field.

Organisations may need to decide on a definition for some of the metrics. For example, the 'Total evictions' metric may need the organisation to determine at what point in the evictions process the outcome is measured as an eviction. Queensland Shelter would encourage providers to make note of the definitions used so they can be compared with future data. If in any doubt speak with your analyst at the NRSCH or contact QS Connect on <a href="mailto:qsconnect@gshelter.asn.au">qsconnect@gshelter.asn.au</a> or 3831 5900.

These tools are intended to assist organisations prepare for registration. However, having all this information cannot guarantee you will be registered, as this will be assessed by an analyst within the Registrar's office.

If you would like further information on any of the performance outcomes that your organisation will be assessed against, you should refer to the NRSCH Publications:

- Evidence Guidelines
- Registration Return Guide
- Community Housing Asset Summary and Performance Reports
- Tier 3 Financial Performance Report
- The Financial Viability Guidance Notes

See <a href="https://www.nrsch.gov.au/publications">www.nrsch.gov.au/publications</a> for copies of these documents.

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### **Performance Outcome – Tenants and Housing Services**

Performance Requirement		Comments/Actions
1a- Determining and managing eligibility,	Tenancy numbers	
allocation and termination of housing	☐ Total number of tenancies at 30 June	
assistance.	☐ Total new tenancies created and starting in the	
	year to 30 June (exclude internal transfers &	
1b- Determining and managing rents.	successions)	
	☐ Total exits (for whatever reason)	
1c- Setting and meeting relevant housing	☐ Total evictions	
service standards.		
	Tenant satisfaction	
1d- Supporting tenant and resident	☐ Date of last survey	
engagement.	☐ Number of surveys distributed (survey sent,	
	tenants phoned, invitation to interview	
1e- Facilitating access to support for	attempted)	
social housing applicants and tenants	☐ Number returned (completed surveys received,	
with complex needs.	interviews carried out)	
	Responses where tenant satisfied with overall	
1f- Managing and addressing complaints	quality of housing services (do not include neutral	
and appeals relating to providing housing	type responses or "don't know" responses)	
services.	threshold rating of more than 75%	
1g- Maintaining satisfaction with overall	Tenant access to support	
quality of housing assistance.	☐ Number of supported tenancies at 30 June	
	(those where tenant has a support plan or other	
	special assistance to help sustain tenancy)	

# Performance Outcome – Housing Assets

Performance Requirement		Comments/Actions
2a- Determining changing housing needs	Property Condition Activity at 30 June	·
and planning asset acquisitions, disposals	☐ Number of tenancy units due for condition	
and reconfiguration to respond. Strategic	inspections (typically properties will be inspected	
Assets Management	at least every 3 years)	
	☐ Number where condition inspection	
2b- Setting and meeting relevant property	completed (only include those inspected by	
condition standards	qualified person)	
	☐ Number where condition standards met	
2c- Planning and undertaking responsive,	☐ Number brought to condition standards	
cyclical and lifecycle maintenance to	Repairs Completion in year to 30 June	
maintain property condition (assert	☐ Urgent repair requests (use own definition)	
Maintenance)	☐ Urgent repairs completed	
	☐ Non urgent repair requests (exclude empty	
2d- Planning and delivering its housing	property maintenance and planned/cyclical	
development program (asset	maintenance)	
development) – If applicable – usually tier	☐ Non urgent repairs completed	
1 & 2	Tenant satisfaction with maintenance and	
	condition	
	☐ Tenants satisfied with maintenance (from last	
	tenant survey)	
	☐ Number responding to the maintenance	
	question in survey	
	☐ Tenants satisfied with property condition	
	(from last tenant survey)	
	☐ Number responding to the condition question	
	in survey	



### Performance Outcome – Community Engagement

Performance Requirement	Comments/Actions
3a- Promoting community housing to local organisations that work with potential residents, tenants or clients.	
3b- Contributing to place renewal and social inclusion partnerships and planning relevant to the provider's community activities	

#### **Performance Outcome – Governance**

Performance Requirement		Comments/Actions
4a- Ensuring coherent and robust	Meetings of the governing body to 30 June	
strategic, operational, financial and risk	☐ Minimum number of meetings required	
planning.	☐ Number of meetings scheduled	
	☐ Number held	
4b- Ensuring effective, transparent and	☐ Number of quorate meetings	
accountable arrangements and controls	☐ Total actual absences of members	
are in place for decision making to give	☐ Number of audit & risk committee meetings	
effect to strategic, operational, financial and risk plans.	held if applicable	
	Composition of governing body at 30 June	
4c- Complying with legal requirements and	☐ Total maximum positions	
relevant government policies.	☐ Number of executive positions	
	☐ Number of non-executive positions	
4d- Ensuring the governing body has	☐ Number of governing body positions filled as	
members with appropriate expertise or	of 30 <sup>th</sup> June	
that such expertise is available to the	☐ Number of positions filled by tenants	
governing body.	☐ Number of positions falling vacant	
	☐ Number of positions filled during the year to	
	June 30th	
	☐ Number of new member inductions carried	
	out	
	☐ Sitting fee paid to board members (if	
	applicable)	
	Performance evaluation of/by the governing	
	body	
	☐ Number of governing body members who	
	have had a performance evaluation	
	☐ Date of latest performance evaluation of the	
	governing body	
	☐ Date of last formal evaluation of CEO/senior	
	officer	
	Insurance details	
	☐ Expiry date against named insurances,	
	including professional indemnity, workers	
	compensation and public liability, motor vehicle	
	and property.	
	☐ Date of last risk management review	
	☐ Replacement value of Community Housing	
	assets on balance sheet for which CHP has	
	insurance	
	☐ Financial budget and business plan sign off —	



Performance Requirement		Comments/Actions
	date when signed off by governing body  Tax status review ( date of last review by the governing body of the provider's tax status)	

# Performance Outcome – Probity

Performance Requirement		Comments/Actions
5a- Establishing and administering a code	Code of Conduct	
of conduct.	☐ Date last reviewed by governing body	
5b- Establishing and administering a	Suitability Checks	
system of employment and appointment	☐ Number of governing body and staff positions	
checks.	where checks are required	
	☐ Number of positions requiring checks that	
5c- Establishing and administering a	were filled during the year	
system for preventing, detecting,	☐ Number of checks completed in the year to	
reporting on and reporting to instances of	30 <sup>th</sup> June	
fraud, corruption and criminal conduct.	☐ Date of review of system for fraud prevention	
5d- Maintaining the reputation of the community housing sector.		

# Performance Outcome – Management

Performance Requirement		Comments/Actions
6a- Demonstrating it uses its assets and	Vacancies and tenancies during the year to (or	
funding to meet business goals.	at) 30	
	☐ Number of vacant tenantable units at 30 June	
6b- Implementing appropriate	☐ Number of vacant un-tenantable units at 30	
management structures, systems, policies	June	
and procedures to ensure the operational	■ Number of other vacant tenancy units	
needs of its business can be met (including	☐ Number of tenancies at 30 June (of previous	
having people with the right skills and	year)	
experience and systems and resources to	☐ Number of tenancies at 30 June (current year)	
achieve the intended outcomes of its	☐ Number of tenancy exits in year to 30 June	
business.	Number of calendar days vacant (for vacant	
	tenantable units relet during the year)	
	Number of calendar days vacant (for vacant	
	un-tenantable units relet)	
	Number of calendar days vacant (for vacant	
	other units relet)	
	Number of vacant un-tenantable units relet	
	during the year	
	☐ Number of tenantable units relet	
	☐ Total number of tenancy units at 30 <sup>th</sup> June	
	Rental income collection during year to 30 June	
	☐ Total rent foregone (vacant tenantable)	
	☐ Total rent outstanding from current and ex	
	tenants at 30 June	
	☐ Total potential rent income	