

KEYSTART

1375. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the minister representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the Keystart shared ownership home scheme.

- (1) Given that the official interest rate was lifted by 25 basis points on Tuesday to 4.35 per cent, what impact will that have on Keystart interest rates?
- (2) What interest rate will Keystart borrowers be paying from now on?
- (3) Will there be an increase in the monthly repayments for Keystart loans?
- (4) If yes to (3), what is the average monthly repayment increase for loan holders?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Housing.

- (1)–(4) Keystart changed its interest rate policy on 1 July 2023, setting its rates based on the movements of the Reserve Bank of Australia’s official cash rate plus a fixed margin of 350 basis points. Information pertaining to Keystart’s interest rate policies are publicly available via the Keystart website, which I will table. Keystart, like other lending institutions, follows a comprehensive internal process prior to any public announcement about interest rates and seeks to service its customers while still responsibly managing its risks as a low deposit home loan provider. Once this due diligence is undertaken, Keystart will communicate any change to its interest rate publicly.

I table the relevant website page.

[See paper [2783](#).]