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COMMUNITIES — BUILDING CONDITION ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

1174. Hon STEVE MARTIN to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the \$12.8 million building condition assessment program referenced in the Department of Communities' 2021–2022 annual report.

- (1) Did the BCA replace a similar program to identify property maintenance requests?
- (2) How many of the 196 homes have commenced maintenance works?
- (3) How many of the 196 homes have completed maintenance works?
- (4) Will the BCA be inspecting properties in regional Western Australia and not just metropolitan Perth?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. I provide the following information on behalf of the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing.

(1)–(4) The McGowan government is investing \$2.4 billion in social housing and homelessness over four years. Through this investment, we are delivering the new \$12.8 million building condition assessment program, which will see over 10 000 social housing assets assessed across Western Australia.

The information gathered during the BCA program is to future inform investment planning across the housing portfolio and help forecast future required works to keep housing stock viable and in the system for years to come. These assessments are in addition to regular property inspections undertaken by the Department of Communities when maintenance requirements are regularly reported.