

HOUSING AUTHORITY — VEGETATION CLEARANCE

1259. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the minister representing the Minister for Housing:

How many hectares of vegetation did the Housing Authority clear in each financial year from 2011/12 to 2021/22, respectively?

Hon Jackie Jarvis replied:

The Department of Communities (Communities) clears vegetation for new housing developments in accordance with the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* and its subsidiary legislation.

Given that Communities owns very small lots of land which are vastly dispersed, this information would require a manual assessment and significant resourcing which is not considered an efficient use of Communities' resources.

However, if the Honourable Member has a more specific question, the Minister will endeavour to provide an answer.