

HOUSING SUPPLY UNIT

15. Hon STEVE MARTIN to the minister representing the Treasurer:

I refer to the housing supply unit, which was announced 133 days ago.

- (1) How many times has the housing supply unit met?
- (2) How many employees are currently working full time at the housing supply unit?
- (3) How many meetings has the HSU had with industry stakeholders as promised and can the minister please table a list of those meetings?
- (4) What policy solutions to the housing crisis has the HSU developed, to date?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following answer is provided on behalf of the Treasurer.

- (1)–(4) The new housing supply unit has been established and is working to boost housing supply and affordability in Western Australia. The director of the new team has been appointed and recruitment of remaining positions is close to completion. The housing supply unit has commenced a dedicated program of engagement with industry stakeholders, with a presentation to key industry stakeholders at the Urban Development Institute of Australia WA state conference scheduled for next week. The new housing supply unit is working across government on a range of initiatives, including obtaining the state's share of commonwealth funding, and housing initiatives that are being considered as part of the 2024–25 budget process.