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HOMELESSNESS — BOORLOO BIDEE MIA SERVICE

1153. Hon WILSON TUCKER to the minister representing the Minister for Homelessness:

I refer to Boorloo Bidee Mia, a transitional accommodation facility located in Perth CBD designed to assist rough sleepers.

- (1) How many clients currently reside at the facility?
- (2) How many clients resided at the facility in the 2023 year to date?
- (3) Of those, how many transitioned into longer term public housing arrangements?
- (4) What was the average stay time at the facility for clients who transitioned into longer term public housing arrangements?

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 Homelessness.

- (1)–(3) The total number of people accommodated at Boorloo Bidee Mia will fluctuate, dependent on the support needs of residents, with the delivery of a safe, culturally appropriate and effective service being the priority at all times. As at 19 September 2023, 60 people were being supported at Boorloo Bidee Mia. Since commencing in August 2021, Boorloo Bidee Mia has supported 115 people in total. Of this cohort, 23 people have so far been supported into longer term accommodation.
- (4) The average length of stay for clients is not captured in the service's reporting to the department.