

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

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WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms Uibo to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Community Development:

Public Housing in Karama and Malak

The Member for Karama committed during the election campaign that a CLP Government would be doing the following:

- Evicting public housing tenants who deal drugs, who vandalise their house or who continually disturb the neighborhood within one week of getting elected.
- Reducing the density of public housing in Karama and Malak within three months of getting elected.

Please advise:

1. If each commitment has been delivered and what has occurred to deliver them.

The Member for Karama circulated his proposed four-point plan to residents of the Waters Ward (including Karama and Malak) when he was a Councillor on the City of Darwin Council.

The same four-point plan was circulated to residents of Karama and Malak during the election campaign with the Member of Karama saying that he would **advocate** for these measures if elected.

The Member for Karama repeated his intention to advocate for these measures in his Maiden Speech to the Legislative Assembly.

2. If they have not been delivered:

a. Why were they not delivered within the committed timeframe?

The four-point plan was a local electorate commitment of advocacy. The four-point plan as it relates to housing matters outlined above was never adopted by the CLP as an election commitment.

b. When will the commitments be delivered?

The Member of Karama works hard for his constituents in the Karama Electorate and is a staunch advocate for reducing crime and restoring our lifestyle, a commitment the CLP took to the election.

The CLP Government is undertaking a full review of the *Residential Tenancies Act 1999* to strengthen options for addressing anti-social behaviour and criminal offending in and around public and social housing.