

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr. Higgins to the Minister for Housing and Community Development:

Access to housing in Wadeye

1. How many houses does the Department of Housing and Community Development own or administer across the Territory?
2. As at 20 December 2018, how many of the houses that the Department owns or has access to are vacant or unoccupied?
3. What is the average vacancy rate for public housing units across Urban, Regional and Remote Areas? Please break down by area.
4. How many houses does the Department of Housing and Community Development possess in Wadeye? Please identify by lot number and purpose (e.g. staff housing, public housing)
5. As at 20 December 2018, how many of these houses are vacant or unoccupied? Please identify assets by Lot number.
6. How many houses in the West Daly Council region are currently available to rent, lease, or purchase?
7. Can you confirm that private construction firm SH Build received a house in Peppimenarti for a peppercorn rent of \$1 per year? If true, why?
8. How many Department of Housing and Community Development staff houses in Wadeye are empty?
9. If a staff house is vacant, will the Department seek to provide the house to another tenant?
10. Why has the Government not allocated housing to those on panel contracts or those doing work at Wadeye?
11. Whom other than employees, occupy Department houses at Wadeye?
12. How many Government houses at Wadeye are occupied by non-Government people, and for what time period?