

WRITTEN QUESTION 101

Written Question from Mr Gerry Wood MLA, Member for Nelson, regarding the future of Kurringal Flats

Question 1 – What are the Government’s intentions for the future of the Kurringal Flats?

- **Response** – The Government has previously announced its intentions to seek proposals from developers for potential redevelopment of the Kurringal Flats site.

The site is ageing and its current configuration is not considered suitable for retention solely for public housing. The site provides an opportunity for a new development in a well located area to create new and additional housing for Territorians including public housing tenants, private renters and purchasers.

Question 2 – Has the Government done a study to see what would be the cost of refurbishment of the flats compared to demolishing the flats and rebuilding?

- **Response** – Technical staff within the Department of Housing have estimated that up to \$12 million would be required to bring the flats at this site up to as new standard.

However, the site is significantly underutilised and not well configured. A redevelopment provides the opportunity for the delivery of around 200 new dwellings at the site, which represents increased housing supply of 115 – 120 dwellings in an area that is well located to essential services, educational and employment facilities.

Question 3 – If there has been a study, what was the cost of refurbishment of existing flats.

- **Response** – As noted above, it is estimated that up to \$12 million is required to refurbish this site.

Question 4 – If Government’s intention is to demolish the flats, where will the residents go?

- **Response** – Until the outcome of the Request for Detailed Proposals is completed, a final decision on the future of the site is not known. Developers are going to be asked to provide options for relocation of existing tenants as part of their response.