

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Maley to the Minister for Territory Families and Urban Housing:

\$100 Million Public Housing Stimulus Program

Background:

In November 2018 the Government announced a \$100 Million Public Housing Stimulus Program, for upgrades, repairs and maintenance to public housing in Darwin, Palmerston, Nhulunbuy, Katherine Tennant Creek and Alice Springs. In a report titled Works Awarded Report 4 June 2020, it is reported that \$52.92 million was committed and \$51.85 million expended, which left \$47.08 million unspent.

Questions:

1. Was this program cancelled? If so why was it cancelled?

No.

2. What was the programs final budget committed/expended?

The Public Housing Stimulus Program has a budget of \$100 million. \$77.9 million was expended as at 31 May 2021, with a further \$4.4 million to be expended by June 2021. The remaining \$17.7 million is committed in the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities' 2021-22 Infrastructure Program.

3. What has happened to the unspent budget from this program?

N/A

4. Was industry consulted on these changes?

N/A