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Dr Shane Broad
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Dear Dr Broad

In Parliament on 25 March 2026, you asked the following question of me as Minister for Housing and Planning

A number of constituents have contacted me about the worsening housing crisis in Tasmania. One in particular wants to know, if Homes Tasmania couldn't keep up with demand while it was running, how does the government expect to meet housing needs now it has shut down, and what immediate action is being taken?

Thank you for this question.

To begin, I want to clarify that Homes Tasmania continues to operate and remains responsible for delivering new homes.

With regard to immediate action, the Government has outlined several measures currently in train. These include the decision to consolidate housing delivery functions within Building Tasmania, progressing projects currently in the pipeline, and strengthening coordination with local councils, community housing providers, and the construction sector. The Government is prioritising projects that can deliver homes faster while continuing to work toward our longer-term target of 10,000 new social and affordable homes by 2032.

Building Tasmania has been created to streamline and strengthen housing delivery functions, with the aim of accelerating construction, improving decision-making processes, enhancing accountability, and supporting more effective coordination of major housing projects.

I reiterate, Homes Tasmania is business as usual and will then hand over responsibility to Building Tasmania.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kerry Vincent', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Hon Kerry Vincent MLC
Minister for Housing and Planning