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Ms Meg Brown MP Member for Franklin

Dear Ms Brown

Thank you for your Constituency Question regarding the Homes Tasmania property currently being leased by Meals on Wheels and the Lions Club of Clarence.

Meals on Wheels is an important service in our community, and the Government and Homes Tasmania have worked with them on their accommodation arrangements. Homes Tasmania most recently approved a twelve month extension to their lease, through to December this year, and this followed previous extensions provided in 2021 and 2022.

The property has been earmarked for redevelopment into new housing.

Following your question I sought preliminary advice from Homes Tasmania. I understand Meals on Wheels at Mornington does not undertake any cooking or food preparation onsite. There is no commercial kitchen and the site is used as a distribution point. I understand the Lions Club may utilise the space for meetings.

I have sought further advice from Homes Tasmania regarding what other opportunities may be available, both within the State Government-owned property portfolio or through other organisations and entities such as local Government.

Yours sincerely

Hon Felix Ellis MP

Minister for Housing and Planning

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