



# PUBLIC HOUSING RENEWAL: EVATT

## REPORT ON WHAT WE HEARD

### SAYER PLACE, EVATT DEVELOPMENT

**From 8 October to 16 November 2018, Housing ACT sought input from the community for a new public housing development in Sayer Place, Evatt.**

The existing 3-bedroom dwelling at 9 Sayer Place, Evatt (Block 11 Section 106), is reaching the end of its useful life. As part of the ACT Government's ongoing commitment to revitalise the public housing portfolio and ensure that social housing options are available throughout the city, Housing ACT is proposing to replace the existing dwelling with a new dual-occupancy development.

The block is located close to essential services such as shops, health services and public transport options. As such, Housing ACT is proposing to replace the existing 3-bedroom dwelling (built in 1986) with a dual occupancy development, made up of one 4-bedroom and one 2-bedroom, Class C adaptable homes, with separate driveway access for each dwelling. Adaptable housing ensures that people of all ages and abilities can live within the home and it can be easily adapted to meet changing household needs without requiring costly or substantial modifications.

Housing ACT has given careful consideration to the site and local amenity to produce a high-quality design that aims to integrate with the surrounding area whilst addressing tenants' needs. The houses will be built to a minimum 6 star energy efficiency rating which means that they will be more comfortable to live in and cheaper for tenants to run.



### THE CONVERSATION

**Housing ACT engaged with the community to seek feedback on the shape and scale of the proposal and asked people to consider the orientation, look, design and landscaping of the new development. We engaged with stakeholders face-to-face and online about the proposed development from 8 October to 16 November 2018.**

A letter was sent to 12 residents in the surrounding neighbourhood to inform them of the proposed development in early October 2018. Information about the proposal, as well as copies of the plans, were published on the YourSay website. An information session was held on-site on 18 October 2018, and community members having had the opportunity to drop by to see the plans, ask questions and engage with representatives from Housing ACT about the project.

### WHO ENGAGED

**One local resident stopped by the information kiosk to discuss the development.**

The YourSay page for the proposed development at Sayer Place reached 50 Canberrans. One local resident attended the on-site drop-in session on Thursday 18 October 2018. No further correspondence was received from the community on YourSay or via email.

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### WHAT'S NEXT?

Housing ACT conducted engagement activity in order to seek the community's feedback to the proposed development.

The next step is to lodge the Development Application (DA). There will be further opportunity to provide comment as part of the DA process. Please visit [http://www.planning.act.gov.au/development\\_applications/pubnote](http://www.planning.act.gov.au/development_applications/pubnote)

To find out more about the Sayer Place development and other Housing ACT projects in Canberra visit [www.yoursay.act.gov.au](http://www.yoursay.act.gov.au) or email the Housing ACT team directly at [housingactrenewal@act.gov.au](mailto:housingactrenewal@act.gov.au).

#### Key Timings

- Step 1:** 8 October – 16 November 2018, community engagement
- Step 2:** November – December – compile and respond to community feedback  
*We are here*
- Step 3:** Early 2019 – finalise design and submit Development Application
- Step 4:** July 2019 – commence construction (subject to development approval)

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR FEEDBACK

**50**

We reached 50 people via  
YourSay

**1**

We spoke to one individual  
face-to-face

**1**

We held one on-site pop-up  
information kiosk



**12**

We sent letters to 12  
households in the  
surrounding area

**0**

We received 0 comments  
about the proposal on  
YourSay

**0**

We received 0 items of  
written feedback via email

