# Community Housing Industry Council

## Communique

## Meeting 12, 16 June 2022

The New South Wales (NSW) Community Housing Industry Council (CHIC) had its twelfth meeting on 16 June 2022.

The CHIC has finalised its work drafting the Community Housing Industry Strategy (the Strategy). The Strategy has been distributed for the final time to CHIC members to seek endorsement. The majority of members have endorsed the strategy, and when all parties have responded it will be progressed to the DCJ Secretary for approval.

The CHIC engaged in preliminary discussions about the Federal government housing policy commitments, the implications for NSW and impacts on community housing industry engagement. Importantly a focus of the discussion was increasing social and affordable housing supply to better meet the needs of the people of NSW with a housing need.

ACHIA presented to the CHIC on Closing the Gap with learnings from and priorities for the Aboriginal CHP sector. This information will guide how the CHIC engages with the Aboriginal community housing sector to build relationships and collaborate with the sector when addressing various issues.

Additionally, the Housing Evidence Centre from the Department of Planning and Environment alongside CHIA NSW presented and led a discussion about community housing data capture and data sharing mechanisms. This aligns with the CHIC work plan that seeks to better understand what data is currently being captured in relation to the community housing sector, who is collecting it and for what purposes, in order to streamline processes where possible and reduce duplication.

CHIC members were presented with a communications strategy that has been developed to ensure that the Community Housing Partnerships Framework and Guidance Notes will be circulated to all parties engaged in procurement and contracting in the government and community housing sectors.

Conversations continued in relation to the current CHIC work plan. Out of session meetings were held with individual CHIC members to ensure their expertise is matched with CHIC work plan activities and to form working groups to progress these priorities. An updated version of the CHIC work plan 2022-24 will be progressed to the DCJ Secretary.

The next CHIC meeting is scheduled for 15 September 2022.