



Supporting Home Owners Rights with Government

UPDATE FROM AMHO - JULY 2023



Roseann Whyte, Carol Fitzpatrick and Minister Meaghan Scanlan

President's Message

Welcome to our July update!

What's happening? Well, most importantly, Carol and I were *invited* to meet with the Honourable Meaghan Scanlon, Minister for Housing, her Senior Advisor, David Greene, and other senior government officials. Although the meeting was short, it was very productive. The Minister is very aware of the issues faced by the tens of thousands of homeowners in residential parks. And what an achievement for AMHO that in just eighteen months, we are recognised as a peak body, but one which the Minister wants to engage with.

We do know that there has been work going on behind the scenes led by the member for Maryborough, Bruce Saunders to protect homeowners in the short-term eg a cap on rents, removal of the Market Review, and the establishment of an independent body to manage disputes to move away from QCAT (no lawyers and short time-lines). Although the minister would not confirm exactly what progress has been made, she did confirm that there would be change in the fourth quarter of 2023. We are uncertain whether this will be as a result of the representations by her own party or whether there is already a clear understanding of the thoughts of homeowners and other interested parties.

We've come a long way, but there is still so much to do. However, we baby-boomers have changed the world by not accepting the status quo by continuing to raise the bar to make things better, so let's work together to ensure that this excellent housing model remains sustainable and that we can continue to enjoy the lifestyle we have chosen.

AGM and New Committee

Our first Annual General Meeting was held on Friday, 30th June 2023 at 10am in Meeting Room 4, Caboolture Hub, 44 Haskings Street, Caboolture. The President welcomed those attending to the meeting, both in person and via zoom, and noted that as this was the first AGM, there were no minutes to confirm. As no business had been advised to the Secretary by the closing date there was only one item on the agenda, the adoption of the Financial Statements 16 January 2022 to 31 December 2022 and this motion was carried.

The 2023/24 Management Committee will again consist of seven members -

President: Roseann Whyte, **Treasurer:** Graeme Parr, **Secretary:** Carol Fitzpatrick, **Members:** Richard Homans; Bruce Hill-Webber; Fred Madden and Michael Anderson.

Change of Email Address

Our email address was compromised on 5th July, causing our U-Tube channel to be deleted, unfortunately removing all our videos from the website. **However, our website is safe to use** and we will be doing a revamp of the site in the very near future.

Our new email address is amhocontact1@gmail.com and we apologise if you have sent any mail to our previous address since that date, as AMHO will not have received it. Anything you have sent to our previous email address, we would ask you to resend, or just give us a call!

The C-RIS (Consultation Regulatory Impact Statement)

We are advised that more than 3000 responses have been received – this despite the dreaded feedback form! So, well done to you all – thank you for supporting the Alliance in this journey for change.

Also, thank you to all who attended the Information Sessions AMHO delivered. Roseann and Carol appreciated the kindness and generosity of spirit experienced.

Attached is your copy of AMHO's Submission to government, however, we have advised our members if they would like their own copy to just hit REPLY to this email, change the SUBJECT heading to AMHO SUBMISSION and hit SEND.

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