

Housing 2041

Housing 2041 – a strategy that underpins the NSW Government’s goal of delivering housing in the right locations, that suits the community’s diverse needs.

What is Housing 2041?

Housing 2041 sets a 20 year vision to unlock access to homes and improve people’s lives.

The strategy is a whole of government approach to deliver the right types of housing in the right locations so that everyone has access to a safe place to call home. The strategy drives the supply of affordable, diverse and resilient housing options for our communities.

The strategy and its action plans are living documents. As new challenges and opportunities arise, they will continue to evolve so we’re responding to current circumstances and the changing environment.

Housing 2041 approaches housing solutions holistically, looking at population patterns, economic, social, and environmental effects, and other trends that affect the way we live.

Collaboration is at the centre of Housing 2041 and will be key to the delivery of the strategy over the next 20 years.

Housing 2022 Package aligns with and supports the delivery of Housing 2041.

How is Housing 2041 implemented?

Housing in NSW is complex and the strategy provides an opportunity for collaboration between government and its stakeholders including the community housing sector, industry, developers councils and the federal government.

The strategy is implemented through multiple action plans – such as the 2021-22 action plan. The initiatives in the action plans are delivered collaboratively by Department of Planning and Environment and other government agencies.

A cross government Housing Directors Working Group is responsible for developing future action plans and ensuring implementation of action plans are collectively owned. The group facilitates knowledge sharing and co-creation between related policy areas to identify areas of alignment and policy intents across Government. This includes collaboration with the Expert Housing Advisory Panel.

How will Housing 2041 deliver improved outcomes for the people of NSW?

We know that safe, secure, and affordable housing contributes to positive physical and mental health. We also acknowledge the importance of a house being a safe place.

Through a partnership approach across government, the strategy will benefit people across the housing spectrum, from those temporarily without a home, to those seeking a house that better suits their needs. The strategy acknowledges people can move back and forth on the housing spectrum depending on their life circumstances.

Housing 2041 aims to ensure everyone in NSW lives in a home which is:

- Accessible and suitable for different stages of life or changing circumstances
- Well connected to local facilities, jobs, social networks, infrastructure, services and spaces that people need to live sustainably
- Designed to work with the environment, maximise technology and supports local character.

Why are the 4 pillar focus areas of supply, affordability, resilience and diversity important?

Housing is a key contributor to the socio-economic wellbeing and health of communities.

Simply providing additional housing is not enough. People's circumstances, lifestyle and culture influence their needs, and where and how they choose to live is about more than just the dwelling itself. A focus on holistic housing responses ensures people have access to housing security, diversity and support, as well as choices to be able to afford a home, without compromising on basic needs.

The four pillars of **supply, affordability, resilience and diversity**, reflect the range of differing needs and wants people have when choosing a place to call home.

These pillars also reflect community and stakeholder feedback received from a discussion paper which informed Housing 2041.

How is the NSW government collaborating with stakeholders in implementing Housing 2041?

The NSW Government recognises the importance of working together across the housing sector to achieve both short and long term housing goals.

The NSW Government is working closely with a range of stakeholders including industry, councils and community housing providers to achieve housing-related objectives.

The work includes:

- The NSW Expert Housing Advisory Panel, established to enhance cross-sector collaboration, providing independent advice to ensure the strategy continues to improve housing outcomes for our communities.

- Cross government directors working group established to share updates on key actions and ensure the delivery of outcomes is seamless across agencies.
- The Resilient Sydney Affordable and Diverse Housing Steering Committee.

What is the role of the NSW Expert Housing Advisory Panel for Housing 2041?

An Expert Housing Advisory Panel has been established to oversee the delivery of Housing 2041: NSW Housing Strategy and its actions plans.

They understand the housing system, its challenges and provide independent advice to the department and the Minister for Planning and Minister for Homes on housing issues.

Panel members are housing sector experts including representatives from industry, local government, community housing and aboriginal community housing providers.

The Panel also supports the Department of Planning and Environment with advice to drive cross-sector collaboration to improve housing outcomes.

How is progress with the actions in the 2021-22 action plan being monitored?

The Housing Strategy Unit manages the coordination and ongoing monitoring of housing initiatives across government as part of its actions plans.

The team is monitoring progress on actions and reporting regularly to the Expert Housing Advisory Panel and our cross-government Directors Working Group.

Future action plans will outline new, longer term initiatives that are aligned with the priorities of Housing 2041.

What is the 2022 Housing Package and how does it relate to *Housing 2041*?

The NSW Government has announced the \$2.8 billion 2022 Housing Package to ensure people have a safe, secure, affordable place to call home. The package will support the private, public and not-for-profit sectors to unlock hundreds and thousands of homes across NSW by 2027.

The NSW Government is focused on creating a pipeline of housing supply, with a focus on unlocking development-ready land and faster planning assessments, to improve certainty for those looking to buy or build new homes.

The 2022 Housing Package aligns with Housing 2041 and its current action plan.

Find out more

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