



11 December 2017

Mr. Patrick O'Brien
The Secretary
Legal and Social Issues Committee
Legislative Council Parliament House, Spring Street
East Melbourne VIC 3002

Dear Mr. O'Brien

Submission to the Public Housing Renewal Program (PHRP)

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission on the Public Housing Renewal Program (PHRP).

On 5 December 2017, the Legal and Social Issues Committee requested further information from the City of Stonnington and Council's response is as below:

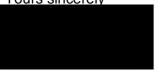
Homelessness Numbers – Currently Council does not have consistent and accurate data on homelessness numbers across the municipality, hence is not in a position to provide this information to the Committee. Notwithstanding, as part of the Inner Melbourne Action Plan (IMAP), Council is pursuing the opportunities to collect and analyse the homelessness data in the region. Stonnington has established a Homelessness Round Table and is meeting with other agencies who provide services to the people who are homeless. We are also expecting data from the 2016/17 census to be available by March 2018, which will provide us with data on this matter and other valuable information.

Bangs Street Relocation – The project team to relocate residents has been established by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). In recent correspondence with the Department, Council is advised that Bangs Street residents are in the process of being relocated.

Bangs Street Tender – As per recent advice from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Council is led to believe that the Bangs Street tender process has been deferred until early 2018.

We would welcome the opportunity for further discussion that may assist the Committee in the process.

Yours sincerely



Cr Steve Stefanopoulos
Mayor of the City of Stonnington
Councillor for South Ward