

I am a public tenant from Ethiopia and my family and I need a 3 bedroom unit. I also have a mother who lives on another public housing estate.

If the government changes the number of bedrooms then public tenants who need 3 bedrooms will be pushed far far away. Or not get a chance to have a 3 bedroom place at all. The government is just looking after their own benefit. Not looking after the public. Not at all. Isn't it against the rules? It's not fair. Government tells us when we phone the department that our calls are very important to them. Well they are lying aren't they. If we were important to them then this would never be happening to us. They will look after the rich people, those that have money. The government has said that they might put us into private rental properties if we move out. We can't afford private rental. It's too expensive. We have to buy food, clothes, school and all the extras that the school expect us to pay for. Life is already hard enough without the government putting any pressure on us.

The government is putting us into category of rich and poor.

My mother has been told that her whole estate is going to be knocked down and she will be moved out by December. But she hasn't heard any more about it. She can't speak much English. At the consultation meetings there were no interpreters at all and she can only understand bits and pieces. That's not fair. There are so many tenants in Ascot vale that can't speak English.

I think they will move us far away. Somewhere where there's no shops or transport. They are taking the kids future away.

I love the area where I live. The schools are right at our doorstep, the shops and transport are good because I don't drive, the local neighbourhood house where we have our kids birthdays, the fresh air because of the beautiful trees on our estate and the open spaces. Lots of parks nearby.

Peace and quiet. There's no trouble here. People keep saying there's problems in public housing but they don't live here. I think they keep saying bad things about us because they want to move us out. We are fine here. I love my community. The children are all happy together with the neighbouring kids. To be honest I loved it here. I don't want to move away. NO.

I think that overseas investors will buy all these estates up and take over.

the allocation of parts of the sites between the proposed new public and private housing units;

the lack of public condition assessments of the estates or alternative options such as refurbishment of all or part of the existing housing units;

the proposed significant increase in density and heights and any local environmental impacts, such as the loss of open space and mature vegetation;

the removal of planning controls from local councils, and planning implications surrounding communities including existing neighbourhood character, traffic flow and provisions of services;

the proposed loss of third party appeal rights;

the transparency and genuine community consultation with affected residents, neighbouring communities and the broader Victorian community regarding the short, medium and long term implications of the PHRP model as currently proposed;

public housing estates where similar models are envisaged or underway, including —