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I wish to express my support for the inquiry by the Legal and Social Issues Committee into the Victorian Government's plan to sell a majority of the public land on existing public housing estates for private development under the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) public housing renewal program (PHRP).

As a long-term Ashburton resident close to the proposed Markham development, I am concerned about:-

- the undemocratic nature of removing planning powers on the development of this site from the City of Boroondara
- the fact that the proposed development in no way reflects community feedback, particularly in relation to:
 - * the excessive size and density of the development as currently proposed
 - * the excessive proportion of private dwellings in the proposal, meaning that the paltry 25% of units allocated for public housing do nothing to address Victoria's public housing shortage
 - * the inadequate parking in the proposed development, which doesn't meet Council standards
 - * serious traffic concerns, especially in relation to the highly used bike path fronting the proposed development.

For these reasons I call on the Government to hold off on making any decisions about the Markham redevelopment, as well as the other proposed redevelopment sites, until the Inquiry has reported on its findings and the public has had an opportunity to debate it.

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