Title

Opposition to the Demolition of Public Housing Towers

Motion (max 250)

That the MAV call on the Victorian Government to cease demolition of the public housing towers

Rationale for Motion

Why is this a state issue and why should this be endorsed by the MAV? (max 350)

In September 2023 the Victorian Government released its Housing Statement: *The Decade Ahead 2024-34*. As part of the statement, it announced plans to demolish all 44 public housing towers located in the inner Melbourne metropolitan area.

At the time of the announcement, no consultation had occurred with local government or residents. It is unclear whether a program of renovation has been adequately considered. The Victorian Government has not released the data and evidence it relied upon to make its decision. There has also been considerable criticism of the plan for not considering adaptive re-use options.

There continue to be few program details in the public domain, such as the potential impact to public housing stock, open space and detailed plans for resident relocations.

Melbourne's public housing towers are home to 10,000 people. With an estimated 64,700 public housing dwellings across Victoria, these towers represent a significant proportion of the state's stock.

Demolition will displace residents from their communities, services and supports.