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INFORMATION SHEET

KEY ISSUES FOR HOUSING

- Reducing the complexity associated with the planning process and providing greater certainty for proponents in the development assessment process;
- Determining the appropriate levels of assessment for particular development types;
- Streamlining the approval process by addressing issues relating to the State agency concurrences and requirements under other legislative instruments (e.g. Sydney Water, RTA, Department of Environment and Climate Change);
- Introducing a positive culture and attitude in all government agencies involved in the approval process and assigning appropriate accountability for the delivery of housing;
- Community consultation should be undertaken and completed at the strategic planning stage (i.e. development of strategic plans and policies). The aim is to minimise lengthy and costly third party appeals at the final stages of the approval process;
- Requiring State government departments, agencies and councils to consider housing affordability in any strategic planning and development assessment practices;
- Addressing issues relating to the funding and delivery of infrastructure to support new housing developments and providing a more equitable funding mechanism to alleviate the pressure on new homebuyers to fund community-wide infrastructure.

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