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Report Card – Minister for Planning & Infrastructure’s First Year

We examine the good, the bad and what’s been missed.

The Good

- Restored level of industry consultation and transparency within the Office of the Minister and the Department of Planning and Infrastructure.
- Delivering on the review of the NSW Planning Act process & time frames.
- Land release in North West and South West Growth Centres, review of paper subdivisions across the State and the review of 43 potential greenfield sites for new housing projects proposed by developers and landholders.
- Review of development levies.

The Bad

- Still no clear commitment to delivering on housing targets that match the true underlying demand for housing in NSW (at least 40,000)
- Abolition of part 3A without a clear alternative approach that allows the Government to make decisions on major residential developments of State significance.
- Whilst land release is critical the time frames for delivering housing stock remains uncertain.

What’s missed

- No clarity on what alternative measures are being seriously considered and assessed to more equitably meet the cost of delivering critical infrastructure for residential development and improve housing affordability.
- Whilst HIA understands a Cabinet sub-committee exists to review housing delivery, there needs to be a greater commitment and a more co-ordinated approach across the relevant departments and agencies delivering new housing in NSW and get the economy moving.
- Further expansion of complying development.
- Overall tax relief for new housing must be addressed.

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