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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Question No.150

Asked by MR CAIN MLA –

1. Has the Rapid Regulatory Response Team (RRRT) inspected the additional dwelling at 41 Baume Crescent, McKellar.
2. Have ACT Building Inspector officials inspected the additional dwelling at 41 Baume Crescent, McKellar.
3. What did the RRRT observe in the way of the additional dwelling being separately constructed from the main dwelling.
4. What did the RRRT observe in the way of a kitchen and/or cooking facilities in the additional dwelling at 41 Baume Crescent, McKellar.
5. Has the RRRT issued a Certificate of Occupancy and Use (COU) for the completed additional dwelling development at 41 Baume Crescent, McKellar; if so, did the RRRT take into account that the additional dwelling is being advertised and rented as a separate dwelling and/or the kitchen and cooking facilities in the additional dwelling.
6. Has the Minister given any consideration to revoking the COU for the additional dwelling at 41 Baume Crescent, McKellar.

MR STEEL MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. Yes.
2. Please refer to answer 1.

3. During the inspections, RRRT inspectors observed that the additional building work comprised of an extension to an existing single dwelling. The work as observed is exempt from requiring a Development Approval and is compliant with the Building Approval (B20233909) and approved plans.
4. During the inspection, RRRT inspectors observed a worktop including a cooktop within the completed extension.
5. The Construction Occupations Registrar issued the Certificate of Occupancy and Use (COU) for the completed development at 41 Baume Crescent, McKellar on 23 January 2025. The *Planning (Exempt Development) Regulation 2023* permits the inclusion of two kitchens within a single dwelling.

Issues related to advertisement and renting of properties are not captured by construction and planning legislation.

6. The Construction Occupations Registrar issues COUs under Division 5.1 of the *Building Act 2004*. The Registrar is an independent statutory officer. The building work at 41 Baume Crescent in McKellar as approved and completed complies with the relevant legislative requirements and aligns with the definition of a single dwelling as outlined in planning regulation.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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