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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**Questions on Notice Paper No 3****7 March 2025****Question No. 197****MR CAIN MLA** - To ask the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development:

- (1) Why is density being increased three-fold with 30 two-storey units at the Minimbah Court complex, which is located in a residential area comprising mostly single low-density houses.
- (2) What reviews of the approved development application have been undertaken to modify it to enhance the safety, security and social cohesion of the intended social housing residents and the wider community.
- (3) What considerations have been given to retaining the existing open green space to the east which allow vastly improved social interaction, as has been the case for the past 40 years.
- (4) Why is the elimination of the green space at the inner corner of Solander Place being permitted.
- (5) Why are there two driveways from the intended development into Solander Place, a narrow six-metre residential style street, instead of a single opening into Banks Street.
- (6) What impact will this increased number of car entry and exits have on social housing tenants' safety.



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

- (1) The subject site is located at Block 3 Section 59 Yarralumla within the RZ2 Suburban Core Zone development proposed. The block is not considered a 'standard block', by the Territory Planning Authority (the Authority), as per the Territory Plan definitions.

The proposal for the demolition of existing dwellings and construction of 30 dwellings, in three two-storey buildings, for the subject site in the Development Application (DA 202443246) is consistent with the Territory Plan.

- (2) – (6) The Authority's decision on the DA is currently the subject of a third-party appeal with the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT). As such, the Authority's decision has been set aside, and the proposal is being reviewed by the ACAT.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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