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On the election of the Labor Government, the Minister for Housing announced a freeze on further sales of public housing in NSW—including land in Waterloo—reiterating that the Liberals' plan was a bad plan, which Labor did not, and will not, support.

You would be aware the former Liberal Government announced in 2016 the proposed sale of Waterloo Public Housing land. They rezoned this land and began the process of selling it to developers. After assuming office, we discovered that tendering for the Waterloo South area was already underway.

Whilst that is unsatisfactory to Labor, the Minister needs time—at least a month—to review the previous government's contractual arrangements and ensure a greater provision of social and affordable housing, which will *remain* under public ownership. The Minister has also given an assurance that, if you are affected by this renewal, you will be guaranteed to return to new, modern, renewed accommodation.

After decades of neglect, I know many buildings in Waterloo need renewal. Whenever that begins, it needs to happen. I would like to see every current social housing tenant look forward to better, safer and healthier homes in Waterloo.

As I recently told the Parliament, your dignity and wellbeing has *always* been my primary concern. Let me assure you, that hasn't changed. For your convenience, I enclose a copy of Hansard containing my recent Parliamentary remarks.

I will continue to be in touch with you as updates occur.

Yours sincerely,



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