



Communique Aboriginal Housing Victoria Board Meeting Melbourne Wednesday 22 February 2017

The Board of Directors of Aboriginal Housing Victoria (AHV) held their first Board meeting for the calendar year today, Wednesday 22 February, 2017 in Melbourne.

DEPARTING CEO

The Board thanked and acknowledged the significant contribution the departing CEO, Jenny Samms, has made to AHV and the Board. Jenny has resigned from her position with AHV as of 28 February 2017, and Darren Smith has been appointed the new CEO.

RENTAL ARREARS

The Board approved a number of strategies to target a reduction in rental arrears.

ASSET MANAGEMENT

The Board considered a number of asset management proposals.

The Board supports the Aboriginal maintenance service taking on CO gas and smoke detector testing in metropolitan Melbourne in 2017.

The Board approved a proposal to amend the AHV Housing Standards to install split cycle air conditioners in place of gas heaters to improve the amenity of AHV housing with anticipated reduced life time costs and similar or marginally reduced heating costs to tenants. One air conditioner per property would be installed unless there are medical reasons.

QUARTERLY REPORTING

The Board received quarterly reports on organisational performance and progress against the business plan and took note of actions underway to improve performance.