

AHV Board Communique Aboriginal Housing Victoria Board Meeting Tuesday 30 April 2024

The Board of Directors of Aboriginal Housing Victoria (AHV) held their third Board meeting for the calendar year on Tuesday 30 April 2024. In addition to the standard monthly Board meeting, Directors participated in a Strategic Planning Day at Dardi Munwurro in High Street Preston.

Aboriginal Workforce Fund

The Board congratulated AHV staff on the preparation of another successful funding submission to the *Aboriginal Workforce Fund* (AWF), as announced by the Victorian Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, in May 2021. The funding allocation will support the recruitment of an Aboriginal business administration candidate for a 12-month period, and to support AHV to continue to build on and sustain a culturally safe workplace, and to be an employer of choice for Aboriginal people.

AHV Growth and Devleopment Strategy

The AHV Board recognises the need for an increased focus on growing AHV's portfolio, in addition to AHV's core business of providing long term social housing through its existing portfolio. Work on a Growth and Development Strategy has progressed during the current financial year, with input and direction from AHV's Asset Committee.

At today's meeting, the Boad approved a summary of the Growth and Development Strategy, which will now be the subject of external consultation.

Internal Audit Charter

AHV has moved to an outsourced model for delivering our internal audit functions. AHV's Internal Audit Charter therefore required updating to reflect this operational change. The Board approved the revised AHV Internal Audit Charter at today's meeting.

Strategic Planning Day

The key items included on the agenda were:

- an externally facilitated Risk Management workshop;
- a strategic discussion on potential home ownership pathways for Aboriginal people, including options for existing AHV renters; and
- the review of the AHV Strategic Plan and 2024-25 Business Plan.