



AHV Board Communique Aboriginal Housing Victoria Board Meeting Thursday 7 November 2023

The Board of Directors of Aboriginal Housing Victoria (AHV) held their twelfth Board meeting for the calendar year on Thursday 7 November 2024.

Annual General Meeting and appointments to the Board

The AHV Board held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) for 2024 on 7 November 2024.

This was the forty-fourth AGM held by AHV, and the former Aboriginal Housing Board Victoria.

One of AHV's long-standing Directors, Dr Rob Leslie completed his tenure as an AHV Director at the AGM, after 9 years of continuous and committed service to the organisation. On behalf of the AHV Board, the Chair Daphne Yarram thanked Rob for his wise counsel and his ability to build and maintain respectful relationships. She noted that Rob's significant community housing leadership and policy experience has significantly contributed to AHV's strong foundation, on which AHV will continue to grow and progress. On behalf of the AHV Board, Staff and Community, Daphne wished Rob good health, wellbeing and happiness for the future, and expressed her hope that he will remain a friend of AHV.

Daphne Yarram and Alan Herrman were elected for their third and final consecutive term as AHV Directors and Members. The Board also warmly welcomed a new Director to the AHV Board, Haleh Homaei.

Haleh has over 20 years' experience in senior management roles in the social housing sector, including 8 years as CEO of Housing First Ltd. During her period as CEO, Haleh initiated and led a major growth strategy which transformed the organisation's older housing stock and significantly increased its portfolio of new housing. She also established a resident-first approach across the organisation, with a focus on satisfaction and service quality.

Haleh is also an experienced non-executive director. She is currently the Chair of PowerHousing Australia, a national peak advocacy body for providers of social and affordable housing, providing policy input and recommendations to governments. Haleh is also a Board Director of Community Housing Canberra, the largest not-for-profit community housing provider in the ACT.

Annual Report

The 2023-24 Annual Report was presented at the AGM. The Annual Report will now be sent to AHV's stakeholders, including Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations,

government, and the community housing sector. It will also be shared on social media to reach a broader audience.

AHV renters will receive a summary of the Annual Report, without detailed financial reporting, with the end of year *Mia Mia* newsletter. The full report will be available on the AHV website.

Post-AGM Board Meeting

Re-election of AHV Chair

At the AHV Board Meeting directly following the AGM, Daphne Yarram was re-elected as the AHV Chair.

Strategic Risk Register

The Board participated in a workshop to further develop the AHV Strategic Risk Register and confirmed the high-level risks to be included in the register.