Communique Aboriginal Housing Victoria Board Meeting Melbourne Friday 5 June 2015

The Board of Directors of Aboriginal Housing Victoria held their fourth Board meeting for 2015 in Melbourne.

Community Consultations

The Board noted the outcomes of the 2014-2015 State-wide Community Consultations. The outcomes will inform the development of a Community Engagement Strategy that will seek to enhance the way AHV engages with tenants and Aboriginal communities, including through tenant workshops, community gatherings, community renewal projects and the establishment of localised service partnerships to improve tenancy services, training and employment support in sites statewide.

Budget Presentation

The Board noted the draft 2015-2016 Budget prepared for its review and approval. The Budget indicated a sound financial position which will enable AHV to continue with its planned operational and capital development programs and to have adequate resources for portfolio growth in line with its strategic business plan.

Property Reports and due diligence

The Board acknowledged the progress of AHV's property condition audit which is being undertaken to establish AHV's long term financial liabilities in respect to its property portfolio.

Transition to Housing Association

The Board noted the inaugural meeting of the AHV Transition to Housing Association Steering Committee which has been created to guide and direct AHV's transition from housing provider to housing association. This work seeks to enhance all facets of AHV's business, in order to meet higher regulatory standards expected from AHV as a housing association by the Victorian Housing Registrar.

Board Code of Conduct

The Board approved an amended Board Code of Conduct reflecting the approved AHV Governance Policy and which sets out the expected standards of conduct and behaviour of AHV's Directors and how they work together.

Appointment of Deputy Chairperson

Following the retirement of the former Deputy Chairperson Mr Graeme Austin, Mr Ian Hamm accepted the position of Deputy Chairperson until the next AGM. The Board expressed its appreciation for the work and the level of commitment from the former Deputy Chairperson.