



Community Consultative Committee

Elgin Towers, Carlton – Meeting 6

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Meeting Agenda

Time	Description	Presenter
5.30pm	Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country Housekeeping Approve Minutes of the last meeting Meeting overview	Chair
5.35pm	Project update	HV
6:00pm	Engagement activity	HV C&E
6:20pm	Evaluation and reflections	HV C&E
6:30pm	Meeting close	Chair

Meeting Minutes

Time and date	Monday 16 June 2025, 5:30pm – 6:30pm
Location	Community Room at 38 Elgin Towers, Carlton
Chairperson	Katie Hall, Parliamentary Secretary for Housing
Attendees	To protect privacy, names of committee members and Homes Victoria (HV) staff are not published.

1. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country (Chair)

- The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming all attendees and providing an Acknowledgement of Country.

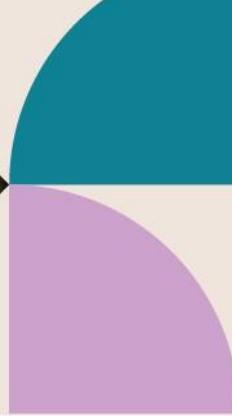


- A summary of the agenda was presented.
- The minutes from the previous meeting were read and accepted by Committee members.
- Committee members agreed to the meeting being recorded for accuracy. Once approved, the minutes will be published on the Elgin Towers project page on the Homes Victoria website.

2. Project overview and key milestones (Project Team)

The project team shared the following updates:

- Demolition works are ongoing and progressing well. The team assured members they are doing their best to minimise impact on neighbours.
- Scaffolding will continue to be installed over the next few months.
- Crane installation is planned for August.
- The project team thanked everyone for their contribution to the CCC, noting the meaningful impact the group has had on the project and the changes that were made as a result of community feedback.
- Several key design changes were made in response to community feedback, including:
 - Increased total number of homes in the project
 - Inclusion of larger homes to better suit family needs (4 and 5 bedrooms)
 - Separate toilets in larger apartments to offer greater flexibility for families
 - Improved communal spaces and building lobbies
 - Improved landscaping and public space outdoors
 - Flexible use outdoor spaces designed to meet the diverse needs of residents
 - Homes will include double-glazed windows to enhance natural light, thermal comfort, energy efficiency and ventilation



Added security measures include:

- Peepholes in apartment doors for increased safety
- Community activation incorporated at the ground level
- Group members were encouraged to participate in future CCC groups and engagement opportunities.
- The project team reiterated that the safety of workers, residents and community remains the highest priority.

3. Engagement activity – Reflections on the CCC (HV Staff)

Members were asked: What advice would you give to the next CCC?

Responses:

- Members emphasised the importance of inclusion of renter voice in the development of projects.
- In response to a query regarding how members of the community could hear more about the project, Homes Victoria encouraged promotion of the fortnightly community drop-in sessions with the next scheduled for Tuesday 24 June.
- A group member queried if interpreters were present at the drop-in sessions. Homes Victoria responded that while interpreters are not present, they can be arranged via telephone or callback as needed.

Members were then asked: What advice would you give to Homes Victoria?

Responses:

- One member highlighted the importance of sharing changes that have been made to the project as a result of community feedback.
- A group member acknowledged and appreciated the recent clarity in Homes Victoria's promotional materials.
- Members suggested sharing information with different cultural groups and community leaders. This would support dissemination to a broader



reach, especially for those who may not feel comfortable attending meetings or information sessions.

- Posters in foyers and common areas were highlighted as one effective way to get information to residents.

4. Questions and comments from the group

- **Lived experience in Homes Victoria:**

HV Staff confirmed that lived experience is represented within the organisation.

- **Builder handover and quality checks:**

The project team confirmed that once the build is completed, quality checks will be undertaken by Homes Victoria, who will oversee the process and ensure all standards are met.

- **Ongoing consultation:**

- Members asked about future engagement opportunities.
- Katie Hall MP highlighted that Homes Victoria supports ongoing consultation and capacity building.
- The Renter Consultative Committee (RCC) meets bi-monthly, and addresses housing issues and consists of renters from across Victoria.
- Group members expressed interest in joining the RCC and were advised that an EOI process will be in place for the next round of the RCC.

5. Final Remarks and Close

- HV Staff reminded members they can contact the team anytime via drop-in sessions, phone or email.
- A short video about the Elgin Towers CCC was shared with the group, created by Homes Victoria.

6. Chair thanked the Committee for their ongoing time and contributions to the Elgin Towers CCC.

7. Meeting closed at 6:30pm.