

# **Triple Bottom Line (TBL) Assessment Summary**

The Triple Bottom Line Assessment is required to be published in accordance with Part 4, section 23 (1)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2016

## 19/428 Management of Remaining Affected Mr Fluffy Properties Beyond June 2020

### Summary of Impacts

- The Pathways to Eradication package proposes initiatives that address the ongoing health risks for the community that arise from the presence of loose fill asbestos insulation in Canberra's homes.
- The initiatives have been prepared to address community safety concerns whilst remaining mindful of the rights of individual homeowners.
- These initiatives are expected to impact on a relatively small number of households.

#### Social

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Community	• Addressing the health, financial and social risks associated with properties affected
and individual	by loose fill asbestos can only be achieved when every affected property has been
health	demolished.
neurin	• Whilst the number of affected properties that will remain privately-owned after 30
	June 2020 is expected to be relatively small, they continue to present a health risk
	not only to the owner occupier, but to the broader community – particularly
	tradespeople, care workers and emergency service workers.
	• The Pathways to Eradication package provides the framework to achieve the
	eradication of all loose fill asbestos contaminated properties.
Human rights	The Pathways to Eradication package has been prepared to address community
	safety concerns whilst remaining mindful of the rights of individual homeowners.
	<ul> <li>Whilst the proposed initiatives will engage human rights including equality, privacy</li> </ul>
	and reputation and freedom of expression, , the limitations proposed are reasonably
	justified in supporting broader community safety and will be implemented with
	ample notice, procedural fairness and appropriate support.
	<ul> <li>The announcement of the package is proposed for October 2019, providing many</li> </ul>
	months for homeowners to understand their options and take actions to participate
	in the Loose Fill Asbestos Insulation Eradication Scheme (the Scheme). Following this,
	homeowners will have until 2025 to manage their affected property privately prior
	to any compulsory acquisition action being taken.
	<ul> <li>The tightening of requirements relating to Asbestos Management Plans will be</li> </ul>
	implemented with awareness of privacy rights and with appropriate mechanisms for
	assistance in the case of genuine financial hardship.
Impacts on	<ul> <li>Many of the remaining owners of affected properties are elderly and have complex</li> </ul>
different age	health, social and/or financial needs. The ability to remain in their property for a
-	period of up to six months following surrender and payment of their settlement
groups	(through Transition Assistance arrangements) will assist these owners. The release of
	the equity in their home will enable owners to commence transition to new
	accommodation that suits their needs with upfront capital. The six-month transition
	period also enables adjustments to care routines and community familiarisation to
	be established in a staged manner to suit the individual.

Economic	<ul> <li>Additionally, the Pathways to Eradication package aims to address community safety by preventing the occupancy of affected homes by future generations (Occupancy Prohibition) but supports the very elderly to see out their final years in their home up until June 2025.</li> </ul>
ACT Government Budget	• The Pathways to Eradication initiatives may require funding for the compulsory acquisition, demolition and remediation of a very small number affected properties. These costs are offset by potential revenue from the sale of remediated blocks in

	forward years.
•	In the event no properties are subject to compulsory acquisition, there is no financial
	impact to the Directorate or the Territory. The financial impact of this submission
	assumes the worst-case scenario.

### Environmental

Environmental quality	<ul> <li>The Pathways to Eradication package will assist in achieving the Government's end goal of eradicating loose fill asbestos from the Canberra community. Eradication will support improved urban renewal outcomes, through removal of affected properties and renewal within Canberra's streets and suburbs.</li> <li>New homes are being built on once affected blocks in established suburbs. Each new home will improve the energy efficiency of homes in the ACT, enabling residents to reduce their energy use in comparison to older less efficient properties.</li> </ul>
Waste	<ul> <li>Implementation of the Pathways to Eradication package will result in waste from the asbestos removal works and structural demolition of the remaining affected properties being deposited into the dedicated asbestos pits at the Mugga Lane Resource Management Centre.</li> <li>Initial planning for the Scheme made provision for the disposal of all affected properties at waste management facilities within the ACT. This submission does not require any new works to be undertaken.</li> </ul>