

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO SOCIAL, PUBLIC AND AFFORDABLE
HOUSING**

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Select Committee on Social Public and Affordable Housing

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Dear Sir/Madam

RE; PUBLIC HOUSING IN GLEBE.

I refer to the above inquiry. It seems that there is a lot of public housing in Glebe and of course Glebe is an expensive suburb. It would make sense to sell all the public housing, and with the funds build new housing for disadvantaged persons in new areas.

By this method the Dept. Of Housing would rid itself of all the maintenance that seems to be required on these houses, as the new purchasers would attend to that. Also the Dept. Of Housing residents would get new housing and the maintenance problems would be less.

The Government would also make money as all the new purchasers would pay stamp duty. In fact, as the new owners of the ex-public housing did up the houses and sold them, then there would be more payments of stamp duty and that would pay for more infrastructure for the Sydney and the State generally.

Some of the current residents of public housing seem to have been in the public housing system for many years. There is rumours in Glebe that while the parents are disadvantaged and get public housing, the children have substantial jobs, with substantial jobs, but continue to reside with the parents in what the children deem to be cheap housing.

The State must use its resources carefully and with the greater good in mind. I am sure the money raised from selling the public housing in Glebe could be put to use for the greater good, and better housing of the current residents.

Yours faithfully

Monty Stidwill.