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**INQUIRY INTO DEVELOPMENT OF THE TRANSPORT
ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

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I fully support the Government's planning proposal, namely The Transport Oriented Development program and Changes to Create Low and Mid-Rise Housing policy propose zoning changes to land surrounding railway stations and town centres which covers 43 local government areas.

Local councils have failed time and time again to take action addressing the structural and administrative issues retarding housing development across the Sydney Region. Yet they consistently oppose State Government action to rectify their failures.

Too often I hear the clarion cry that council XYZ has already contributed its 'share' of additional housing and that more development will demand more schools, more hospital and more transport. Well, these are all state government responsibilities!

Enough of this prevarication. People need homes. It is high time we did more to enable them to get one. The NSW Government has my full support.

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