

HRM Housing Development Application & Building Permit Review

Project Overview for Executive Panel on Housing in HRM

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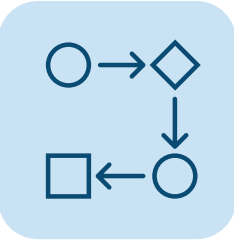
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Project Objectives

This project is aimed at understanding current challenges and barriers to the development of private and non-profit rental and ownership housing across HRM.



First, a **review will be conducted** of housing development and building permit applications that meet the following criteria:

- Housing development applications for 15+ units where decision is pending after at least six months
- Approved building permits for 15+ units where construction has not started within 90 days,



Next, a **series of engagements** will occur to further understand barriers and challenges, with a goal to support the Executive Panel with identifying opportunities for future solutions.



Findings will be compiled into a **final report**, including what we heard from engagements and considerations for the Panel to guide future work.

Key Objectives:

- Engage with key developers, and planning and development staff through *listening and discovery*
- Identify system barriers: *What may be preventing approvals or construction on residential units? Where are things slowing down, and why?*
- Establish evidence-base for future solutions: *where is further effort best invested?*

Project Approach

Work is planned across four key phases, between April – July 2024.



Key Milestones:

We will share updates to the Executive Panel aligned to the following key milestones:

1. Project Kick-Off (May 2024)
2. What we Heard – Engagements Summary (July 2024)
3. Final Report (July 2024)

Discussion

Do you have any questions, considerations or recommendations for us as we begin this work?