

14 December 2022

## NSW Ministerial Advisory Council on Ageing December 2022 Meeting - Communique

The Ministerial Advisory Council on Ageing (MACA) held its sixth and final Council meeting for 2022 on 14 December in Sydney.

The meeting included presentations from:

- the NSW Land and Housing Corporation on older people's housing; and,
- the Ageing on the Edge coalition discussing housing priorities and the October 2022 NSW Parliamentary report No. 61 on Homelessness amongst older people aged over 55 in New South Wales.

Council discussed the findings and recommendations of the report on Homelessness amongst older people aged over 55 in New South Wales along with papers presented at the recent AHURI National Homelessness Conference.

As the last meeting for 2022 Council took the opportunity to review its activities and achievements over the previous 12 months including the regional Seniors Community forums in Port Macquarie and Terrigal. Insights from this discussion will inform Council's plans for 2023 and assist in focusing Council's energy on areas where it can have greatest impact.

Council also discussed a range of key issues with Minister Coure's advisor on seniors, including:

- Aged Crime Prevention Officers with NSW Police
- Funding of the Ageing and Disability Commission
- Silver level accessibility and the National Construction Code
- Homelessness and Housing issues for NSW seniors and potential solutions

Council's next meeting will be in February 2023.

Joanna Maxwell Acting Chair