



Australian Government
Department of Social Services

Senator Wendy Askew
Chair
Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Senate
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator

Correction of evidence in the Additional Estimates Hearing 25 March 2021.

I am writing to correct evidence provided to the Committee during its examination of the Social Services Portfolio in relation to Outcome 4.

In answering a question from Senator Polley regarding the number of rough sleepers housed in Western Australia (WA), I said:

“In WA, they started the Hotels with Hearts initiative. They advised us they had 20 participants, but it was abandoned as the people involved were struggling to quarantine and being confined to a hotel.”

I would like to correct the statement by changing it to:

“In WA, we have been advised the Hotels with Heart initiative was a four-week pilot project which at the end of the four-week period came to its natural end.”

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Troy Sloan'.

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