

# Accessibility in housing

## Progress 2010-2018

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**2018 AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONFERENCE**

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH Homelessness NSW



2007



# UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

- Universal design
- Social inclusion
- Control over where and with whom you live

(UNCRPD, 2007)

2010



# National Dialogue on Universal Housing Design

*“All new homes will be of an agreed Universal Housing Design standard by 2020 with interim targets to be set within that 10-year period.”*

(NDUHD, 2010)

2011



# COAG National Disability Strategy 2010-2020

*"All new homes will be of an agreed Universal Housing Design standard by 2020 with interim targets to be set within that 10-year period."*

(COAG, 2011)

2012



# Livable Housing Australia

*“to help ensure all new homes are of an agreed Universal Housing Design standard by 2020.”*

(LHA, 2011)

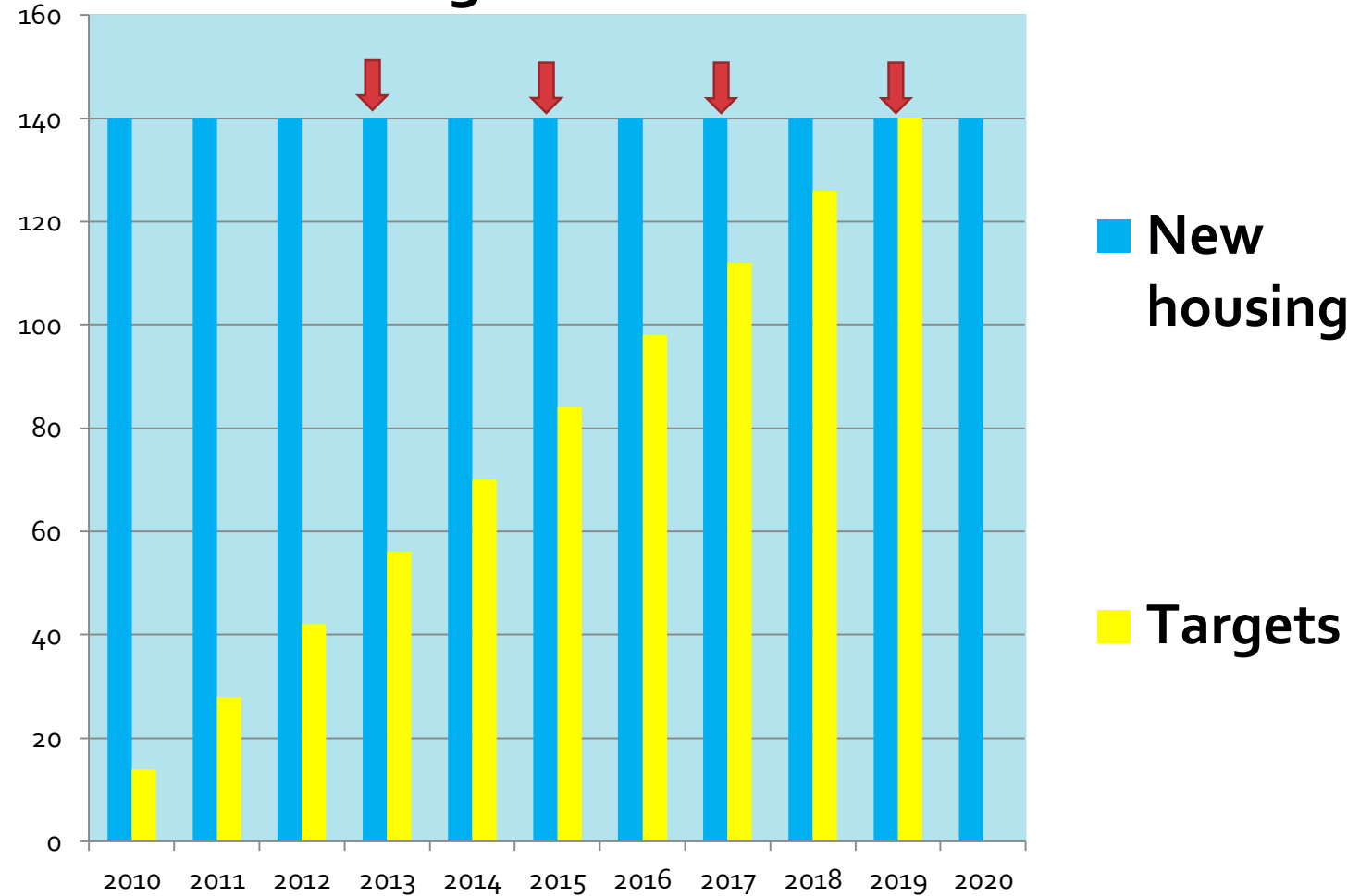
# 2013

*"...transparent process and regular reviews"*

Peter Verwer

(PCA, 2010)

## Regular reviews



(NDUHD, 2010)

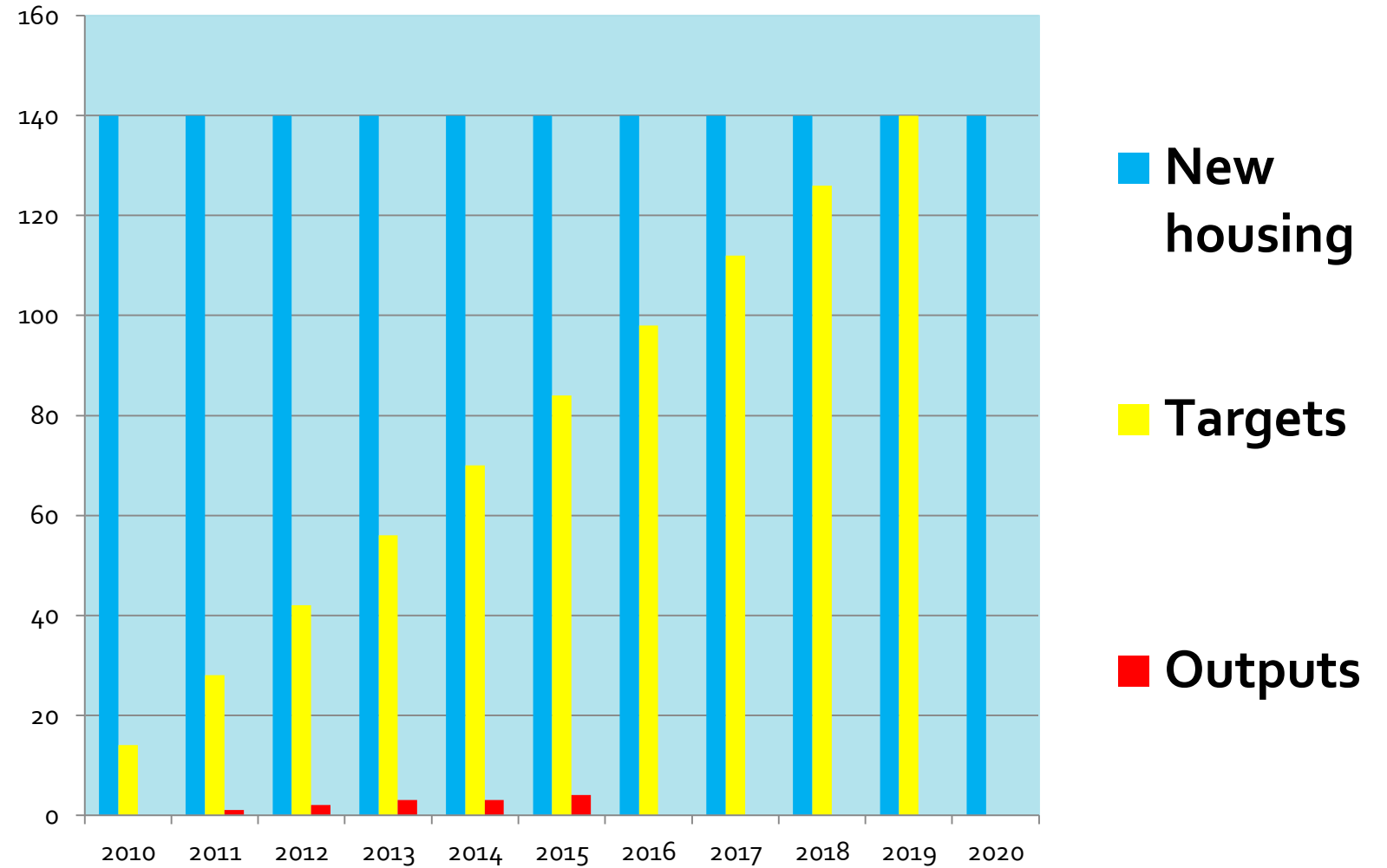
2015



# Review by ANUHD & RIA

*"The current voluntary approach will achieve less than 5% of the National Dialogue's 2020 target."*

# 2015



(ANUHD & RIA, 2015)



2016



# Proposal to Standards Australia

Review of **AS4299-1995** Adaptable housing  
to align with  
**2010-2020 National Disability Strategy**

(ANUHD & RIA, 2016)

# Solicited support

Australian Network for Universal Housing Design  
Australian Council of Social Service  
Australian Cross Disability Alliance  
Australian Federation of Disability Organisations  
Australian Human Rights Commission  
Australian Institute of Architects  
Australian Institute of Building Surveyors  
Australian Rehabilitation and Assistive Technology Association  
Blind Citizens Australia  
Building Designers Association  
Centre for Universal Design Australia  
Children with Disability Australia  
City Futures UNSW  
COTA Australia  
Economic Security for Women  
Eric Martin and Associates  
Every Australian Counts  
Home Design for Living  
Home Modifications Australia  
John Deshon Pty Ltd  
Lifemark (New Zealand)  
Angela Roennfeldt  
Michael Small Consulting

National Disability Services  
National Ethnic Disability Alliance  
National Foundation for Australian Women  
National Rural Women's Coalition  
National Shelter  
Occupational Therapy Australia  
Physical Disability Council Australia  
pm&d architects  
Rights & Inclusion Australia  
Summer Foundation  
Women with Disabilities Australia  
Young People in Nursing Homes National Alliance  
National Disability Insurance Agency  
Australian Local Government Association  
Grocon  
Modular Building Industry Association Australia  
Property Council of Australia  
Urban Development Institute of Association  
Master Builders Association  
Lendlease  
Livable Housing Australia  
Housing Industry Association  
Association of Consultants in Access Australia

# Unsolicited support

Access Designs  
Access2Place Housing  
Action for More Independence & Dignity in Accommodation  
ADACAS  
architecture.access.advocacy  
Ausco Modular P/L  
Australian Disability and Indigenous People's Education Fund  
Berry Street - Northern Family & Domestic Violence Service  
Berry Street - Northern Family & Domestic Violence Service  
Catholic Health Australia  
Council to Homeless Persons  
Dante Della Cruz Architects P/L  
Deaf Access Barwon SW  
Dignity for Disability  
Disability Consultancy Services Pty Ltd  
Disability Justice Advocacy Inc  
Domestic Violence Victoria  
Dr Rhonda Galgally AO  
Ecclesia Housing  
Eco-Effective Design  
Egress Group  
Enabled Quality Living  
Equality Rights Alliance  
Georgina Martina Inc  
Gillian McPhee and Associates  
Grampions Disability Advocacy  
I 4 Development P/L  
Integrated Design Group Pty. Ltd

Lecturer, Deakin University  
Mark Golden Architects  
Melbourne Social Equity Institute | Melbourne Law School  
MetroAccess Moreland City Council  
MiLife Victoria  
MOIRA  
Moorabool Shire Council  
Mpower  
NDS Victoria  
No to Violence/Men's Referral Service  
People with Disability (WA) Inc  
People with Disability ACT  
Public Advocate Qld  
QAUHD  
QCOSS  
Qld HREOC  
Queensland Advocacy Inc  
Queenslanders with Disability Network  
SCOPE (Aust) P/L  
St Laurence Community Services  
State Architect (Qld)  
Trish Lapsley occupational therapy & access consultancy services  
Universal Design and Access Consultants  
VALID  
Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commissioner  
WIRE Womens Information  
Women with Disabilities Victoria  
Women's Health and Wellbeing (Barwon SW Inc)

# 2016

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## Refused

*"...due to lack of support from the residential construction sector."*

# 2016



## Proposal for Change to National Construction Code

To provide for accessibility in all new housing to ensure:

- reliable national standard for accessibility in newly constructed housing; and
- the 2020 targets are met.

(ANUHD & RIA, 2016)

# 2016



## Refused

*"...this is a policy rather than a technical matter, which will require resolution at [the COAG] level..."*

2017



# Building Ministers Forum

*“A RIA [is to be done] as soon as possible”  
for a minimum accessibility standard  
for private dwellings in Australia.*

*“The RIA will examine the **silver and gold** performance  
levels as options for a minimum accessible standard”*

(BMF, 2017)

2017



# Australian Building Codes Board

- Unable to complete within the 2020 timeline.
- No changes to NCC until 2022.

(Savery, 2017)



2018



## Next steps?

- Options Paper for consultation soon
- Regulatory Impact Assessment to be released by end of 2018

2018



Supporting documents  
are available on  
ANUHD website  
[www.anuhd.org](http://www.anuhd.org)