## fact sheet



# **Block Meetings**

## What is a block meeting?

The Women's Housing Company (WHC) holds block meetings to provide the opportunity for you to meet with your Tenancy Manager and your neighbours to discuss common area issues and good ideas to improve your shared spaces.

You also have the opportunity to learn about local services and programs for tenants.

We define a block as a building where 10 or more Women's Housing Company tenants are living in the same complex.

## When are they held?

The Women's Housing Company (WHC) aims to conduct a block meeting at least once every two years for each block. We will send you an invitation before your block's meeting date.

Block meetings are usually organised when:

- A new block has been established
- We have recently started managing a block
- There hasn't been a block meeting within the last two years
- There are common area issues to resolve
- There are noise or nuisance issues to resolve
- You would like to start a tenant-led activity such as a community garden.

#### Where are they held?

Block meetings are always held on site. If there is a common room at your block, we will meet there. If not, we will meet in the garden or another common area.

We encourage residents to bring a coffee, tea or cool drink and something comfortable to sit on. We supply the nibbles.



### Who usually attends?

All residents of a block are invited to come along. You may want to bring a friend or family member if English is not your first language.

From the WHC, your Tenancy Manager and our Tenant and Community Engagement Coordinator will be there to discuss issues and share information.

#### What do we talk about?

Over morning tea, we discuss issues you might have about the common area or getting along with each other, as well as good ideas for making your block a better place to live.

We also talk about opportunities available for tenants in the local area, news from the Tenant Advisory Group (TAG), and upcoming Women's Housing Company events and activities.

#### Can I request a block meeting?

You can contact your Tenancy Manager to request a block meeting. If your request meets our criteria, we will review the schedule and let you know.