

# LEGISLATIVE RETURN

SUBMITTED BY: The Honourable Pauline Frost



1. On May 24, 2017, Wade Istchenko, MLA for Kluane

asked the following question during the Oral Question Period at page(s) 577-578 of *Hansard*

submitted the following written question – WQ No. \_\_\_\_\_

gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. \_\_\_\_\_

RE: Seniors Housing, Haines Junction

OR

2. This legislative return relates to a matter outstanding from discussion related to:

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on \_\_\_\_\_ at page(s) \_\_\_\_\_ of *Hansard*.

The response is as follows:

Please see attachment.

June 5, 2016  
Date

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## **Question re: Seniors Housing, Haines Junction**

**Question Period Follow From: Wednesday, May 24, 2017**

**Wade Istchenko, MLA for Kluane**

**Can the Minister provide an update on the status of phase 2 of the YHC seniors housing project in Haines Junction and when it's expected to be completed?**

**Has the government committed any new money toward this project? If not, can we expect to see a commitment to move forward on this project?**

**If the Minister cannot make any solid commitments to move forward on this project, will she commit to holding a public meeting in Haines Junction to listen to concerns of the residents seeking spaces in the community for their family members to age in place?**

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We remain committed to working with Yukoners in creating solutions to promote aging in place, including providing housing geared to seniors in our communities.

We currently operate 289 units across Yukon that are designated as senior's social housing, including a nine unit seniors' building in Haines Junction that was built in 2008.

Residents of Haines Junction benefit from home care provided through the Department of Health and Social Services (HSS). In addition, Champagne & Aishihik First Nation also provides a Home and Community Care program working in partnership with HSS's home care providers.

In order to establish our future housing priorities and make informed decisions, we are undertaking information collection, analysis and engagement to help determine the needs of each community in Yukon. Pressures specifically related to seniors' social housing include: seniors housing complexes that are in disrepair, demographic demand, or communities without any purpose-built seniors' housing, including Carmacks, Carcross and Ross River.

No funds have been earmarked in the 2017/18 budget to build additional seniors' social housing in Haines Junction. However, I am committed to travelling to Haines Junction in the near future to listen to residents' housing concerns and insights to help inform future policy and decision making.

Response Prepared: May 26, 2017

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