

# Joint Statement of Commitment to Collaborative Protocols Supporting People Experiencing Homelessness in Alice Springs

We, the undersigned, acknowledge the shared responsibility of all levels of government and the community to ensure the dignity, safety, and wellbeing of people experiencing homelessness.

Recognising the complex causes and impacts of homelessness, and the critical role that local councils and the community services sector play in addressing these challenges, we commit to working together in good faith to develop and adopt a set of collaborative protocols that guide effective, compassionate, and coordinated responses to homelessness in our jurisdiction.

This commitment includes:

- Engaging constructively with local homelessness and housing services, supported by NT Shelter;
- Supporting place-based solutions that recognise the needs and rights of people sleeping rough;
- Upholding principles of dignity, non-discrimination, and social inclusion in public space management;
- Working towards shared protocols that improve service coordination and reduce unnecessary displacement; and
- Ensuring Alice Springs' public spaces are accessible, safe and enjoyable for the whole community.

Through this commitment, we seek to build stronger partnerships and practical solutions that make our communities fairer, safer, and more inclusive for all.

Signed:



Mayor Matt Paterson

On behalf of Alice Springs Town Council

Date: 14.8.25



Signed:



Chief Executive Officer Annie Taylor

On behalf of NT Shelter

Date: 16.8.25.

