1. The Australian Government’s White Paper: *The Road Home: A National Approach to Reducing Homelessness* sets an ambitious agenda to halve overall homelessness and offer accommodation to all rough sleepers who need it by 2020.
2. As agreed at the November 2008 Council of Australian Governments meeting, the Australian Government will contribute $99.39 million over four years from 2009–10 to reduce homelessness in Queensland through the National Partnership Agreement (NPA) on Homelessness in addition to the existing bilateral agreement relating to A Place to Call Home.
3. The NPA on Homelessness requires a matching arrangement between the Australian Government and States and Territories. Funding totalling $102.96 million over five years across a number of Queensland Government departments has been agreed as matched funding.
4. The Australian Government’s White Paper and Queensland’s Implementation Plan form Queensland’s new policy direction to reduce homelessness. Queensland’s Implementation Plan comprises investment in new services and enhancement, or realignment, of existing responses underpinned by service system reform.
5. Delivery of the Implementation Plan initiatives will be guided by the outcomes of the evaluation of the Responding to Homelessness Strategy. The Responding to Homelessness Strategic Impact Evaluation Final Report identified areas for improvement including regional coordination and data collection, which will be addressed through the Homelessness NPA Implementation Plan.
6. Cabinet approved the Queensland Government’s Implementation Plan 2009–13 for the National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness, as the Queensland Government policy direction to reduce homelessness.
7. Cabinet approved the communication plan for the Implementation Plan, including a fact sheet to be published jointly with the Australian Government.
8. Cabinet approved the public release of the Responding to Homelessness (2005­09) Strategic Impact Evaluation Final Report and the government’s response to the recommendations.
9. *Attachments*
* [Implementation Plan 2009–13 for the National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness](Attachments/Implementation%20Plan%20for%20National%20Partnership%20Agreement%20on%20Homelessness.docx)
* [Fact Sheet on Implementation Plan](Attachments/Fact%20Sheet%20for%20IP%20for%20National%20Partnership%20Agreement%20on%20Homelessness.pdf)
* [Strategic Impact Evaluation of the Queensland Government’s Responding to Homelessness Strategy: Final Report](Attachments/Homelessness%20Strategic%20Impact%20Evaluation%20Final%20Report.pdf)
* [Queensland Government’s Response to the Recommendations in the Strategic Impact Evaluation Final Report](Attachments/Response%20Strategic%20Impact%20Evaluation%20Report%20on%20Homelessness.pdf)