

We would like to comment, however, on the lack of any assistance that was provided to Property investors from interstate during the immediate time of the flood. We have seen we are not entitled to any help by the Queensland Government what so ever and are totally disheartened by this, Queensland property developers and the Queensland Government have always promoted the advantages of investing in Queensland Property but when the time came when Mum and Dad investors such as me and Gaye needed assistance none was available. I doubt we will even be exempt from the flood levy. We feel there should have been a method of also notifying property owners of the damage to their property. We were told differing stories from minor damage up to both floors being flooded from the body cooperate when in fact the unit was flooded to just below the ceiling level of the ground floor. We had eventually to find friends of friends to go and have a look to get a accurate idea of the damage, this at the time created a great deal of stress for us. If a Government agency/ Local council could have contacted us with a true indication of the damage it would have eased our worry. The Queensland Body Corporate regulations need to be addressed, there are confusing as to what part of the regulations Jabiru place falls int, what sort of scheme the property is, and they also state that body corporates must insure for water damage, however there is no mention of Flood damage and insurance companies use this loophole to supply body corporates with products that I am sure do not meet the original intention of the regulations.

People in WA many of whom sent in donations can not believe when I explain to them the criteria need to fit into to be able to access the donated money by the victims of the flood and that most middle income families will be totally out of pocket for any repairs to their homes etc.