## **Media Release**

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## **NEW BUILDING INDUSTRY CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON**

The Andrews Labor Government has appointed Rebecca Casson, Chief Executive Officer of Master Builders Victoria, as Chair of the Building Industry Consultative Council (BICC).

Ms Casson is the first woman to be appointed to lead the BICC.

Made up of employees, industry associations, unions and government, the BICC was established in 2001 as a high-level advisory council to the Minister for Industrial Relations. BICC advises the Minister on economic and industrial relations issues affecting the building and construction industry.

BICC also engages with government agencies about the skill requirements and training needs of the building and construction industry and worked with the Government to develop the Building Equality Policy launched in December last year.

Ms Casson brings to her appointment diverse experience and a nuanced understanding of the issues that businesses in the building and construction industry face.

As head of Master Builders Victoria, she is respected across the industry and played an important leadership role in the sector's positive and collaborative response to COVID-19.

Ms Casson was a diligent advocate for her members and the broader building and construction industry during the challenges of the pandemic.

For more information about the BICC visit vic.gov.au/building-industry-consultative-council.

## **Quotes attributable to Minister for Industrial Relations Tim Pallas**

"Rebecca Casson will perform a crucial role as Chair of the Building Industry Consultative Council – her insight and leadership will be vital as the sector moves forward."

"As a Government we're delivering diversity and gender equality in construction with the Building Equality Policy in place and now, a woman will lead the BICC."

## **Quotes attributable to Building Industry Consultative Council Chair Rebecca Casson**

"This is a critical time for Victoria's building and construction industry as we emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic, and it is vital that our sector continues to work with the Victorian Government to lead our state's recovery."

"I am proud to be the first woman appointed to chair the Building Industry Consultative Council. I look forward to working with the BICC and the Government to see more women employed in the building and construction industry."

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