(insert date)

(insert contact details)

Dear (insert name of the candidate/representative)

**Meeting request to discuss housing and homelessness issues of older people**

I am a resident of your electorate. As a constituent and a voter in your electorate, I am writing to bring your attention to an issue that has been a concern for many people in our local community.

As you may already know, older women are the fastest growing cohort of people experiencing homelessness. Research by Housing for the Aged Action Group (HAAG) found that 100,000 women aged 45 and over are at risk of homelessness in Victoria (https://www.oldertenants.org.au/at-risk-report). This issue is disproportionately affecting women across the State and a rising concern among people in your electorate.

Multiple changes are required to our housing, retirement, social services and support services systems to address this issue meaningfully. If you and your colleagues take action now, we can reduce future social and economic costs and avoid additional pressure on already stretched homelessness and crisis response services.

I would like to meet with you to discuss this critical issue ahead of the State election. Could you please let me know of a suitable time for this meeting to happen in person, where possible, via online conferencing or the phone.

I look forward to hearing from you and the opportunity to discuss this important community issue.

You can get in touch with me via (insert email address and/or mobile no).

Yours faithfully,

(insert name)