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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE Questions on Notice Paper No 1 6 DECEMBER 2024 Question No. 48

LAURA NUTTALL MLA: To ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

What structures are currently in place to ensure that sports groups are consulted about planned sports infrastructure projects.

YVETTE BERRY MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

A range of ACT Government directorates, including CMTEDD – Sport and Recreation, TCCS – Sport and Recreation Facilities (relating to ACT Government sportsgrounds), ACT Property Group (relating to ACT Government aquatic facilities) and the Education Directorate (relating to sporting facilities made available for public use at ACT Government schools) regularly engage with a diverse range of sport and recreation user groups in relation to planned sport infrastructure projects.

The breadth and scale of projects can vary significantly and involve liaison with organisations that are either seeking funding or have had project funding approved via the Sport and Recreation Investment Scheme (managed by CMTEDD – Sport and Recreation) for smaller infrastructure projects.

Larger scale infrastructure projects will typically involve ongoing engagement with one or several sporting organisations as key stakeholders and this engagement generally occurs through scheduled meetings during the different phases of the project (i.e. planning, design, construction, operation, maintenance, upgrade). For larger scale infrastructure projects, a Project Control Group will often be established and include representation from the key sport or sports that have an interest in the project.

New and major infrastructure projects are managed by CMTEDD Sports and Recreation. This includes the construction of new pavilions, sportsgrounds and large-scale sporting facilities. As a part of the project, Sports and Recreation representatives manage the consultation process with community stakeholders.

TCCS delivers pavilion and lighting infrastructure upgrades, with user sporting codes engaged on a case-by-case basis at the concept and design stages.

TCCS Sport and Recreation Facilities engage the sporting peak bodies on a biannual (summer and winter) basis to discuss sportsgrounds bookings allocations. At these meetings, sports are provided the opportunity to discuss priorities for sportsgrounds upgrades. More informally, the team remain in contact with peak sporting bodies throughout the year and find that feedback on facilities upgrades is provided anecdotally throughout the year.

In addition to the above government activities, I regularly meet with and visit sports groups to hear about their priorities, including infrastructure priorities.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

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Minister for Sport and Recreation

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