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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
Questions on Notice Paper No 40
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Question No. 1669

MS LAWDER: To ask the Minister for City Services

- (1) When play equipment is removed from playgrounds, what is done with the old equipment.
- (2) Can the old equipment be re-used elsewhere.
- (3) Are there guidelines for re-sale or re-use of the equipment if it is in good condition; if so, can the Minister provide a copy or explain where a copy is available
- (4) What is being done with any play equipment removed from the playground at Tuggeranong Town Park.
- (5) If the play equipment referred to in part (4) is being re-used, where is it being located.
- (6) Can residents put in a bid to have removed equipment installed in their local park which may benefit from additional equipment.

Tara Cheyne MLA – The answer to the Member’s questions are as follows:

- (1) All removed play equipment is assessed and retained for parts or repurposing where possible. Old equipment that is unable to be repurposed or used for parts is generally taken to scrap at metal recyclers.
- (2) If equipment is still in a usable condition once removed and meets current playground standards TCCS does regularly refresh and reinstall this equipment.
- (3) No guidelines for resale or reuse exist, although repurposed equipment must meet current Australian Playground Standards to be reinstalled and signed off by an independent level 3 certified playground inspector to certify it meets current standards.
- (4) Contractors are removing and disposing the old timber fort tower as this structure was at end of life and had to be closed as it failed safety inspection. The remaining equipment that was at the playground is being refreshed and reinstalled at this location.
- (5) Play equipment will be staying at this same playground, refreshed and reinstalled.

- (6) No. When upgrades occur, the equipment at the individual site is assessed, and any playground equipment that is still functional and meets the Australian Playground Standards is reinstalled at the same location as part of the upgrade. This approach allows funding to be used to purchase different types of equipment that may increase the diversity of play opportunity and target age groups.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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Minister for City Services**

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