

Response to question on notice

Questions on Notice Paper No 11

26 September 2025

Question No. 657

Ms Jo Clay MLA: To ask the Minister for Homes, Homelessness and New Suburbs

1. How long has the Territory been negotiating with the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)/the Commonwealth Government for the sale of the whole of CSIRO Ginninderra site, given that the answer to question on notice No 31 made it seem clear that the Territory has been negotiating for the purchase of the whole of the site.
2. How long has the Territory been negotiating with CSIRO/the Commonwealth Government for the sale of the eastern part of CSIRO Ginninderra, given that the Minister advised the Assembly on 18 September 2025 that the Territory was only purchasing the eastern part of CSIRO Ginninderra.
3. Is the approval reported to have been given by Commonwealth Government Minister Gallagher in February for the sale of all of the CSIRO Ginninderra site, or just the eastern part of the site.

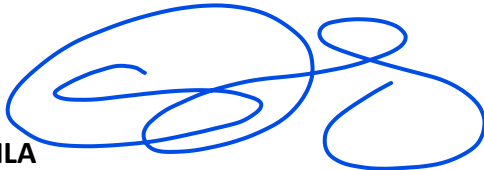
YVETTE BERRY MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. The response to Question on Notice 31 noted that CSIRO and SLA were collaborating to understand the development potential and associated infrastructure requirements required for divesting the CSIRO property at Ginninderra. It did not indicate that the Territory was negotiating with CSIRO on the purchase of the whole site. In reviewing studies that were undertaken by CSIRO on the whole of the Ginninderra site, SLA has considered the potential for development over both east and west portions.
2. The Territory has been in discussions with CSIRO in respect to their proposed divestment of the Ginninderra East portion of the site since April 2023. As noted, SLA has had opportunity to review existing CSIRO studies which were undertaken prior to commencing negotiations on the divestment of the eastern portion in 2023.

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3. It is understood that CSIRO have approval to discuss the divestment of the eastern part of the site from the Commonwealth Finance Minister. Further advice on the Commonwealth's divestment decisions should be directed to the Commonwealth Finance Minister.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



Yvette Berry MLA
Minister for Homes, Homelessness and New Suburbs

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