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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Question No. 63

MS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—

- (1) How many potholes were recorded in the Ginninderra Electorate during 1 August and 1 December 2020.
- (2) How many of these potholes have been repaired.
- (3) How many of these potholes needed to be repaired more than once during this time.
- (4) What different methods were used to repair these potholes.
- (5) What is the estimated or average cost of each repair using each method of repair.
- (6) What is the estimated cost of the repairs for all potholes repaired during this time in the Ginninderra electorate.
- (7) How many potholes were repaired by removing the entire length of bitumen they were on and then laying a new length of bitumen.
- (8) What were the locations of the potholes that were repaired in this way.
- (9) Does the ACT Government plan to repair other potholes in this way; if so, where are those potholes.

MR STEEL MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- (1) In the Ginninderra Electorate during 1 August 2020 to 1 December 2020, 144 requests for pothole patching were received through Access Canberra and Fix My Street (i.e. from the general public).
- (2) During 1 August 2020 and 1 December 2020, 94 potholes in the Ginninderra Electorate were repaired.
- (3) Records indicate that out of the 94 potholes fixed, seven (7) potholes had to be repaired more than once.
- (4) Reactive hand patching is initially undertaken using 'cold mix' asphalt to repair potholes. Roads ACT then undertakes planned resurfacing works utilising 'hot mix' mechanised asphalt and bitumen chip seal to prevent potholes forming in the first instance.

- (5) The cost of each pothole repair using reactive hand patching using cold mix asphalt is approximately \$50 - \$70 per m2. The cost of hot asphalt patching varies significantly depending on the specific application, location and the magnitude of work undertaken due to typically high establishment costs. A small mechanised asphalt patching team undertook repairs between \$61 - \$183 per m2.
- (6) Approximately \$8,500 for reactive pothole repair across the ACT during 1 August 2020 and 1 December 2020.
- (7) Resurfacing is generally planned during the summer months. 124,400 m2 of road was identified for preventative resurfacing works using bitumen chip seal in the Ginninderra electorate in the second half of the financial year. 11,823 m2 of heavy patching has commenced in preparation for bitumen reseal and an additional 10,955 m2 of milling will be undertaken in the second half of the financial year.
- (8) The specific suburbs are in Belconnen, Bruce, Hawker and Spence with various streets in these suburbs receiving maintenance treatments. Most of these roads will be resealed in second half of the financial year (early 2021).
- (9) Yes, a detailed annual resurfacing program is available on the City Services website for reference.

www.cityservices.act.gov.au/roads-and-paths/road-infrastructure-and-maintenance/road-resurfacing

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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