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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**Questions on Notice Paper No 30****2 June 2023****Question No. 1236**

MS CASTLEY MLA: To ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation

- (1) Who is the new group or owner who will manage the Gungahlin pool complex.
- (2) When did the Minister receive notice from YMCA that they will no longer manage the pool.
- (3) Why did YMCA no longer wish to manage the pool.
- (4) When will the new contractor start managing the Gungahlin pool.
- (5) Will there be any time in between operators; if so, what is the Government's contingency plan.
- (6) What was the total cost per year for YMCA to operate the pool.
- (7) What is the cost for the new group to manage the pool.

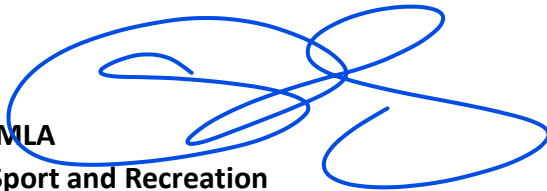
MS BERRY MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- 1) The procurement for Gungahlin Leisure Centre (GLC) is currently underway. Once a suitable Operator/Operators have been awarded the contract, it will be announced accordingly.
- 2) YMCA NSW entered discussions with ACT Government in late 2022 regarding the operations of Canberra Olympic Pool (COP), GLC, Lakeside Leisure Centre (LLC) and Stromlo Leisure Centre (SLC). It was mutually agreed in January 2023 that YMCA NSW would transition out of all of its ACT pool operation services.
- 3) The YMCA NSW decision to transition out follows nine years of continuous service delivery for the ACT community. The YMCA has stated that it is increasing its focus on its NSW operations in-line with the organisation's new strategic direction.
- 4) The procurement for GLC is currently underway. Once a suitable Operator/Operators have been awarded the contract, it will be announced accordingly.
- 5) The operations of the facilities will remain with existing operator until a new contract is in place. The transitioning out/in is anticipated to commence in the second half of 2023 to ensure continuation of services to the public.

- (6) Due to the current procurement process not yet being completed, the YMCA-NSW financial figures cannot be provided.
- (7) The procurement for the pools contracts is currently underway and cost of operations will need to be agreed between the suitable operator and ACT Government through this process.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

Yvette Berry MLA
Minister for Sport and Recreation



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