

Response to question on notice

Questions on Notice Paper No 8

Friday, 27 June 2025

Question No. 494

MR EMERSON: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services -

What is the breakdown and/or map by suburb of path maintenance for the electorate of Kurrajong of (a) areas that are inspected, and (b) the schedule on which each area is inspected, noting that the City Services website, under the header "Path maintenance", states "the ACT Government conducts regular inspections to identify areas that need maintenance".

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

- a) Two types of path inspection are undertaken in the Territory (planned and reactive). Planned inspections are conducted in all suburbs across the ACT according to a scheduled program that prioritises areas based on their risk profile. This approach ensures that resources are allocated efficiently and that higher-risk areas receive attention promptly to maintain safety and accessibility (refer to table in response b for frequency of inspections).

Additionally, on each weekday there are between 220 and 275 frontline ACT Government employees, with dedicated responsibilities spanning place management, licensing and compliance, horticulture and mowing, working in all suburbs across Canberra, who report any defects they come across in their day-to-day work. These requests are lodged through the internal asset management system or through Fix My Street. Reports may also be lodged by other workers providing government services across the ACT, such as those engaged with Transport Canberra, residential waste collection, Parks and Conservation Service, ACT Property Group, and many others.

Reactive inspections are also regularly undertaken in response to public enquiries (e.g. Fix My Street requests, Ministerials etc.). The purpose of these inspections is to identify any defects both in relation to the specific request and paths nearby. Defects are recorded in the asset management system for inclusion in future maintenance programs.

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- b) The below table indicates the frequency of planned path inspections based on risk profiles, pending resource availability.

		Material		
Hierarchy		Concrete	Asphalt	Pavers
1	Pedestrianised areas (i.e. Town Centres)	2 years	2 years	1 year
2	Principal Community Routes and Group Centres	2 years	2 years	2 years
3	Main Community Routes and Local Centres	3 years	3 years	3 years
4	Local Community Routes and Uncategorised Paths	4 years	4 years	-
5	Recreational Community Routes	4 years	4 years	-

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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Acting Minister for City and Government Services

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