

Response to question on notice

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Question No. 747

Mr Andrew Braddock MLA: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services

How often are (a) major highways, (b) collector roads, (c) other roads, (d) footpaths, (e) cycle paths and (f) shared paths audited for their condition to assess the need for (i) repairs, (ii) maintenance or (iii) capital works.

TARA CHEYNE MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The road network is comprised primarily of heavily loaded flexible pavements whose useful life can be extended by application of targeted preventative maintenance based on detailed analysis of progressive asset deterioration data. The condition data of one third of the road network is collected annually by an external consultant. This means the full network is audited every three years. The condition data of major highways (i.e. Majura Parkway, Federal Highway and the Barton Highway) are the exception whereby they are collected annually. The data is then processed (combination of internal teams and external consultants) to determine suitable treatment (i.e. repair, maintenance or capital works) options and works are programmed accordingly.

The path network is comprised of relatively lightly loaded, predominantly rigid (concrete) pavements. Consequently, the focus of path maintenance programs is on corrective maintenance. Roads ACT takes a risk-based approach to path inspections throughout the Territory, utilising five asset inspectors. The last full inspection of all the paths in the Territory occurred in 2020-21. This was undertaken using a large team of people walking along every path in the ACT.

Roads ACT is currently investigating suitable models to efficiently inspect the full network regularly in a cost-effective way.

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Tara Cheyne MLA
Minister for City and Government Services

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