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**RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE****Questions on Notice Paper No 8****Friday, 27 June 2025****Question No. 531****MS CARRICK:** To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

Why does Weston Creek not have a central district playground, and what is the process to upgrade Cooleman Court to provide that function.

**Ms Tara Cheyne MLA – The answer to the Member's questions are as follows:**

The [Better places to play: ACT Play Space Strategy 2022](#) identifies how play spaces are prioritised for construction or upgrade within the ACT. Action 1 of the Strategy states that the ACT will prioritise district and central play spaces for refresh and major upgrade due to their higher play value. It also states that the delivery of new central play spaces will prioritise older suburbs that do not currently have those facilities.

Despite not having a district playground, Weston Creek has the highest frequency of non-local playgrounds per capita of any region within the ACT (as of the date of publication of the Play Space Strategy). Weston Creek has 5 central play spaces located within the district (central play spaces are the 2<sup>nd</sup> tier of playground, which are often located near community facilities, sports fields, parks or suburban shopping centres). The suburb of Weston currently has eight playgrounds, including one Central Community Playground on Hilder Street.

Delivery of future playground upgrades in Weston Creek will need to be assessed through the City and Environment Directorate infrastructure planning processes, including all required feasibility studies for any additional locations for district or central playgrounds if considered appropriate.



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