



Inquiry into DPA-07 - Former Braddon Bowls Club

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Ms Jo Clay MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development

Reference: Territory Plan Amendment DPA-07

Hearing: 18 June 2026

In relation to: Monitoring of community facilities

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Answer Due: 3 July 2026

Directorate officials advised that according to the SGS December 2025 report 'Community, Recreation and Sports Facilities Needs Assessment and Social Infrastructure Audit: Final Report' the Inner North and City District area is serviced for the population increase to 2051. The officials referred to areas being monitored as they change and transform to make sure those community facilities will continue to be provided.

(1) How does the Directorate intend to monitor those community, recreation and sports facilities and social infrastructure?

(2) Will this include assessing usage as well as consulting with people or groups that may use those facilities or infrastructure?

Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

(1) The ACT Government will continue to monitor the provision of community, recreation and sports facilities through strategic planning processes, including implementation of the ACT Planning Strategy, the District Strategies and ongoing planning for community infrastructure. The Government will continue to work across directorates and agencies to monitor population growth, demographic change, development activity, infrastructure provision and emerging community needs. The findings of relevant needs assessments, infrastructure strategies, asset reviews and utilisation data will help inform future planning, infrastructure investment and service delivery decisions.

(2) Yes. Monitoring and planning for community, recreation and sports facilities and social infrastructure may include consideration of facility usage, asset and utilisation data, service demand and community needs, where appropriate. The ACT Government will also continue to undertake stakeholder and community engagement through relevant planning, infrastructure and service planning processes. The nature and extent of engagement will depend on the particular project, strategy or proposal being considered. This may include consultation with facility users, community organisations, service providers and the broader community where relevant to future planning and decision-making. For example, forthcoming community

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engagement associated with the draft Southern Gateway Framework will seek community views on a range of matters, including community facilities and infrastructure needs within the corridor.

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By the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development, Chris Steel MLA