



Inquiry into Appropriation Bill 2026–2027 and Appropriation (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Bill 2026–2027

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Ms Fiona Carrick MLA

Addressed to: Minister for City and Government Services

Reference: City and Government Services – City and Environment Directorate

Hearing: 22 July 2026

In relation to: Entrance to Amberfield site on Cotter Road

Question received: 28 July 2026

Answer Due: 6 August 2026

1. How does the ACT Government propose to ensure that the entrance to the Amberfield site on Cotter Road will be safe for all road users?

2. How does the ACT Government propose to provide access to pedestrian paths and the bus network for Amberfield residents as required by the government's Age-Friendly City policies?

Previously, RoadsACT encouraged LDK to fund a traffic study that proposed interim traffic measures at the entrance to the Amberfield site on Cotter Road that RoadsACT knew they would never approve.

3. Was it appropriate for RoadsACT officials to encourage a private entity to fund work that had no prospect of being implemented?

4. Will RoadsACT officials treat in good faith the proposals coming from the second traffic study that LDK is currently funding?

I understand that LDK has agreed to fund at least part of the agreed solution for safe access to the Amberfield site.

5. Will the ACT government make any financial contribution to the cost of implementing the agreed solution?

Tara Cheyne MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- (1) The ACT Government has written to the General Manager Developments (representing LDK Amberfield) regarding the 'Costs for Access' clause associated with the Crown Lease for Blocks 1151 and 864 Weston Creek. Clauses of the Lease for Blocks 1151 and 864 Weston Creek, including the cost for access clause, apply for the duration of the Lease.

LDK Amberfield, in consultation with Roads ACT, has agreed to commission a transport study, which includes an assessment of road safety, active travel connectivity and access to public transport (or equivalent service) in accordance with ACT Government's Guidelines for Transport Impact Assessment.

Any treatments proposed by LDK Amberfield will be assessed by the National Capital Authority (NCA) and the City and Environment as part of any future works approval applications.

- (2) Refer to the response to question 1.
- (3) The ACT Government has been liaising with the NCA and LDK Amberfield to assist with preventing unnecessary technical investigations by the Lessee. The requested transport study aims to ensure the 'problem' is clearly defined before solutions are proposed and assessed.
- (4) The ACT Government and NCA will assess treatment options put forward by LDK Amberfield, with a view to ensure that road safety and accessibility are enhanced, evidence based and minimise disruption to road users within the Cotter Road corridor.
- (5) The Crown Lease 'Costs for Access' clause for Blocks 1151 and 864 Weston Creek is intended to enable the Territory to recover all reasonable costs associated with any upgrade to Cotter Road to enable adequate access to Blocks 1151 and 864 upon its redevelopment. Upgrade work for access associated with the development would be subject to NCA Works Approval. The funding source for any future work is yet to be determined.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2026–2027

Signature:

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By the Minister for City and Government Services, Tara Cheyne MLA