



STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY INCLUSION
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Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
1 MARCH 2021

Asked by Johnathan Davis MLA:

In relation to: **Gungahlin Pool**

MR DAVIS: No, I would not suggest that. You know, other committee, we had WorkSafe in here previously. So we have been having these discussions throughout Estimates. Whether it be a swimming pool or a tennis court or a townhouse, there is obviously a substandard to building and construction by this particular builder.

So whether or not they have been responsible for building a pool, if we own anything else they have been responsible for building, would we not have an obligation to at least assess their suitability and if they have met safety requirements?

Mr Edghill: I certainly could not talk to the quality of works that the original constructor may have undertaken elsewhere. And I think certainly just because there is an issue at the swimming pool, that does not necessarily mean that there are issues with other works that may have been undertaken.

But we will certainly take on notice a review of what other works, if any, this contractor may have undertaken with us and happy to review whether there have been any issues that have arisen through those build processes.

Yvette Berry MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The contractor has delivered three other infrastructure projects for the ACT Government:

1. Fire and Rescue Station South Tuggeranong, contract signed 12 December 2013
2. Calvary Hospital Carpark, contract signed 3 September 2014
3. Ambulance and Fire Station Aranda, contract signed 3 November 2014

ACT Government contracts in the infrastructure sector generally contemplate a defects rectification period following the construction period and various matters were worked through and resolved with the contractor on these projects.

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By the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Yvette Berry MLA