



Inquiry into annual and financial reports 2024–2025

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Mr James Milligan MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Sport and Recreation

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MR MILLIGAN: Substantive, yes, if I can. Thanks, Chair. Back in 2023, the directorate did an active recreation infrastructure survey, and I think that I have got here 267 proposals from 54 organisations. I am just pretty much finding out what has come from that from then to where we are today?

Ms Kelley: Well, a great wealth of information, in short. It has been a touch point for us through a range of things including grant applications in terms of the assessments, there is correlation between what applications are and what priorities the sport has put forward within their determined need through that application. It has, we have seen a number of current commitments from the current term of government informed by the proposal register. We are looking at the moment of a renewal process for it, noting that two years has gone past and we have heard from a number of sports that their priorities have changed.

So that is work that we are looking at right now, alongside the finalisation of the roadmap for delivery for this term of government, as the puzzle piece, as I said before, towards the long-term infrastructure planning, which is also two other things that we are waiting on alongside that would be in the national sport and recreation infrastructure plan release and also the findings of the current audit into planning of sport and recreation infrastructure in the territory. So there is a lot going on but in terms of that register it has been a reference point for us at this point in time.

MR MILLIGAN: What specifically has come out though? You said that it has informed the government, but what specifically? Specifically, can you actually list any infrastructure or

improvements or upgrades or builds or proposals that you have actually done that has come out of this survey?

Ms Kelley: Sure, we could take on those and give you a more fulsome list.

MR MILLIGAN: That would be great.

Ms Kelley: But the Taylor District Playing Fields are an immediate example that that was a high priority for Rugby League, and we have a commitment to that we are currently completing the statement of requirements for that work to commence the procurement for design, so that is one that is actively underway. The expansion of the Belconnen Basketball Centre, it was no surprise that basketball had that at the top of its list. We could point to most of our projects at the moment have a reference to that register.

MR MILLIGAN: If you could take it on notice and provide more detail that that would be great. What were most of the concerns or major concerns that were raised by sporting groups through this survey? What did it mainly focus around?

Ms Kelley: Well, there is a listing report that we just do have on the Sport and Recreation website. The key theme that came out, again, not a surprise, was the need for greater indoor facilities and access. So that has been heard. Then general upgrades to existing facilities, such as lighting upgrades, which would extend access, and that has certainly been taken into account with the works of the sports grant team also.

MR MILLIGAN: Has some of the works that you have taken on as a result of this survey actually been completed?

Ms Kelley: As I said, we will consider that and we will respond to you on notice. But there is also a number of priorities that have also been funded through the Sport and Recreation Investment Scheme over the period as well, where the sports themselves would have commenced some of their priority works.

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

Information regarding the Sport and Active Recreation Infrastructure Survey can be found here - [Sport and Active Recreation Infrastructure Survey - Sport and Recreation](#). This includes the Proposal Register ([Att-B-Project-Register.PDF](#)) and the Listening Report ([Screen and Digital Industries Plan on a Page](#)).

At the time of its release, the Listening Report identifies a number of key themes from the survey and also provides details of proposals that have already received partial or full funding or have a funding commitment from the ACT Government. Other projects that have already been progressed include:

- Bathroom upgrades at Southern Cross Stadium in Tuggeranong (completed).
- Garran Primary School – new double court gymnasium facility (commenced).

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- Early site planning works for multi court indoor sports facility in Casey, Gungahlin (commenced).
- Taylor District Playing Fields (funding committed with design will commence in 2026).
- Skate Park Strategy (commenced).
- Phillip District Enclosed Oval – ground upgrade, including turf wicket extension and refurbishment (commenced).
- Hockey ACT – Watt Field synthetic surface and shock pad replacement (completed), and ACT Government as sponsoring entity for Commonwealth funding to support replacement of the Carter Field synthetic surface and upgrade to new international compliance requirements.
- Hockey ACT – LED lighting installation (completed).
- Belconnen Netball Association expansion – new toilets and changeroom facilities (pending completion).
- Canberra Rowing Club Shed redevelopment (commenced).
- Scout Association of Australia ACT Branch – Camp Cottermouth Amenities Block Upgrade (funding committed).
- Jamison Oval amenities upgrade (commenced).
- Tuggeranong BMX Facility upgrades (complete).
- Stromlo District Playing Fields – Stage 1 (commenced).
- ACT Waterhouse Clubhouse upgrade (completed).
- ACT Netball Centre upgrade (roof replacement) (completed).
- Majura Tennis Facility upgrade (completed).
- Kambah 3 Playing Field Lighting upgrade (completed).
- Hawker Football Centre Lighting upgrade (completed).
- ACT Table Tennis Facility Feasibility Study.
- The Pines Tennis Club Court Expansion and planning and feasibility study (completed).
- ACT Motorcycle Ablutions and Canteen upgrade (completed)
- Volleyball ACT Grass Court fit-out.
- Western Valley Archery Installation of shade shelters and disability compliant paths and concrete pads.
- Canberra Croquet Club Facility Optimisation Study.

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