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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES
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Inquiry into referred 2018–19 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Ms Caroline Le Couteur: To ask the Minister for Roads & Active Travel

Ref: TCCS pp 36-38 –City Services – Roads & Infrastructure

Regarding: women's safety on paths and other transport infrastructure, both physical safety and perceptions of safety.

1. How do you factor in both physical safety and perceptions of safety when you are designing new infrastructure?
2. How about in your role of reviewing developers' plans for new infrastructure, for example in new suburbs?

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

1. New infrastructure in the ACT, such as paths and other transport infrastructure, is designed in accordance with the ACT Government Standards. TCCS has recently (mid 2019) completed a comprehensive update of these standards. Factoring in safety considerations, the updated standards closely align with national and international better practice. As an example, the updated Standards improve the design of public transport nodes, to ensure an equitable level of access for all users.
2. In relation to reviewing developers' plans, including for new suburbs, the ACT Government has comprehensive processes to review proposed plans for new infrastructure. Developers' plans are assessed against the ACT Government Standards at the Development Application (concept level plan), Design Review (detailed design proposal) and Operational Acceptance (for assets handover to TCCS) stages.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Environment and Transport and City Services

Signature:

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Date:

3/12/19

By the Minister for Roads and Active Travel, Mr Chris Steel MLA