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Attachment A: ACT Wellbeing Framework assessment

DOMAIN NAME	DEFINITION	OUR ASPIRATION FOR WELLBEING IN THIS AREA
Access and connectivity	Getting around to places we value and accessing the services we need	Planning mobility services for this facility is essential as the RSPCA business model is based around utilising volunteers. One of the RSPCA's desired outcomes is a facility that is easily accessible to the people of Canberra, both volunteers and visitors. The site proposed in this business case is close to a frequent rapid bus service. The business case also budgeted for infrastructure upgrades in relation to paths and shelters.
Economy	We share in our city's economy	The Business Case proposes a facility that will be a destination that offers a gathering point for members of Canberra's community. Here they will be surrounded by buildings, and activities dedicated to the improvement of animal welfare. The area will contain cafés and retail establishments as well as open spaces for people to mingle and relax. A Campus style destination is envisioned will bring vibrancy and diversity to Canberra's economy.
Education and life-long learning	Gaining the skills and education needed at all stages of life	The proposed facility is being designed to accommodate facilities that support RSPCA's mission to educate the community in furthering the eradication of animal cruelty. A campus style facility is imagined that would support formal and informal relationships with educational institutions at all levels and be able to provide a wide range of educational programs related to animal care and support.
Environment and climate	The environment sustains all life now and into the future	The new modern facility will be designed with smart design principles that maximise welfare outcomes and provide a disease control environmental design. The new facility will exhibit environmentally sustainable design and renewable energy for operations.

Governance and institutions	Having a say, being heard, and working together for better outcomes	Developing the facility in conjunction with the RSPCA will strengthen the relationship between the organisations. The RSPCA is a well-respected social institution and an advocate for the rights of animals. The RSPCA partnership with volunteers ensures that the voice of Canberrans will be heard.
Health	Being healthy and supported with the right care	In establishing this site, the Territory will improve educational opportunities for Canberrans as well as a location to interact with animals. Both of these activities are important for improved mental health outcomes The facility will also be situated within an appropriate noise buffer zone. This will ensure that no Canberrans sleep is impacted which is essential for mental health
Housing and home	Having a place to call home Identity and belonging	Successfully establishing the RSCPA on a new site in Pialligo will vacate space in Weston for the indicative land release program. Once vacated the current Weston site would yield space for 30 dwellings on the ILRP. Further, the removal of the RSPCA operational buffer zone, related to noise impacts would, would yield a further 800 dwelling sites. This will create essential housing for the peoples of Canberra.
Identify and belonging	Being able to express identity, feel a sense of belonging, and participate fully in society	The vision for this facility is a vibrant place for meeting, interaction, and learning. Volunteers and visitors will gain a connection to place through their interactions with animals and other individuals at the centre for learning and animal welfare.
Living standards	Having the financial resources to live life well	In accommodating space for retail and food service-related industries this facility will provide for business and employment opportunities. More jobs for Canberrans will mean better living standards. The addition of the current western site to the indicative land release program will ensure more Canberrans have access to housing thus better living standards.
Safety	Feeling safe and being safe	The development of this new facility will improve the WHS outcomes for RSPCA staff and volunteers.

Social connection	Being connected with family, friends and community	This new RSPCA campus will provide a vibrant place for the people of Canberra to interact with others. The RSPCA facility will also ensure that more people will be able to volunteer which will aid in building healthier and more resilient individuals, communities and natural environments.
Time	Having time to live life well	This business case ensures that there is access to adequate public transport and facilities such as paths and shelters. This will ensure that the travel time of RSPCA staff and volunteers commuting to the facility is efficient and comfortable. The facility will also provide for an enriching, worthwhile volunteering experience.

Please include an assessment of what impact the initiative will have on the ACT wellbeing against the relevant wellbeing domains listed above. What evidence is available to support this assessment?