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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES
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Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Elizabeth Kikkert MLA:

In relation to:

[Ref: TCCS Annual Report, TCCS Portfolio – Sport Grounds, output class 2.4 – City maintenance and services: sportsgrounds facilities]


In relation to: Spence Oval in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

1. Are there any plans to rehabilitate this oval? If so, what work will be undertaken and when; if not, why not?
2. When will community consultation be undertaken for the use of this oval?
3. What is the estimated total breakdown of costs for rehabilitating this oval?
4. Are community sports groups and other community groups currently able to use this oval for activities? If so, which groups have used this oval this past year; if not, when will groups be able to hire this oval for use in the future?
5. Will the government consider rehabilitating this oval as part of the 2019-20 budget?

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

1. No. Spence Oval has not been identified for rehabilitation.
2. No community consultation is proposed regarding Spence Oval.
3. Restoration of an Informal Use Oval to enable formal sporting use would require approximately \$1.25m to reinstate irrigation systems, drainage, turf, lighting and other works. A pavilion and toilets would add an additional \$0.6m.
4. Community groups and local residents are able to use the oval for informal recreational use. Bookings are not required for such use. The oval is not available for formal sporting events or training as the surface is not fit for this purpose.
5. The 2019-20 budget is subject to Cabinet decision making.

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

Signature: 

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By the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Yvette Berry