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Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
15 November 2018

Asked by Ms Caroline Le Couteur MLA:

Ref: Output Class 2.4, City Services, TCCS Annual Report

In relation to: Use of Nature Strips for Gardens

In January 2016, the then Minister released a draft guide that would have allowed residents to use nature strips for gardens. However, we haven't heard anything since. Is the final guide going to be released?

- a. If yes, when will it be released?
- b. If no, what is the hold up, and when will the policy be progressed?

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

- a. Further work is currently being undertaken on the draft guide and the final version is expected to be released soon.
- b. Prior to the guide being finalised, TCCS faced an ACAT hearing in relation to a "use of territory land application" involving a structure placed on a nature strip. TCCS decided to hold off on completing the guide until the ACAT decision was handed down. Following the ACAT findings the guides are currently being updated and are planned for publishing on the TCCS website soon.

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

Signature:

Date:

19/12/18

By the Minister for City Services, Mr Chris Steel MLA