

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND BIODIVERSITY Dr Marisa Paterson MLA (Chair), Ms Jo Clay MLA (Deputy Chair), Ms Leanne Castley MLA

## Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2020-2021 ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 25 February 2022

Asked by Dr Paterson on 25 February 2022: Ms Jans took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to Heritage Grants awarded to individuals and co-funding arrangements

**THE CHAIR**: Are you able to table, without tabling the individuals name, but the co-funding arrangements with those two projects and what they are actually about?

Ms Jans: Yes, I can take that question on notice.

MINISTER VASSAROTTI: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The co-funding arrangements for the two projects is provided below -

**Project Title:** Private dwelling conservation works in Wakefield Gardens Housing Precinct **Grant Amount:** \$35,860.

The residential dwelling is part of a registered Garden City Precinct where conservation of individual dwellings contributes to Garden City streetscape values of heritage significance. The cottage is in a high-traffic area (both vehicular and pedestrian), providing a unique opportunity to showcase heritage conservation. The current owners have progressively reinstated original gardening and landscaping features in-line with the Garden City principles.

Conservation works are consistent with Heritage Guidelines, are an identified funding priority and include reinstating timber windows, exposing original Canberra red brickwork and replacing damaged roof material. The amount applied for must be matched by the applicant.

**Project Title:** Preserving the heritage of the Forrest Fire Station Precinct Project **Grant Amount:** \$20,690.

The residential dwelling is part of a registered Garden City Precinct where conservation of individual dwellings contributes to Garden City streetscape values of heritage significance.

The Forrest Fire Station precinct is an important part of Canberra's ACT Fire and Rescue Services history. The decommissioned station is now a museum and one building is still in use by ACT Fire and Rescue to this day. The precinct is listed on the ACT Heritage Register and the ACT Chapter of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects (RAIA) Register of Significant Twentieth Century Architecture.

The works will improve an unsympathetic 1980s addition to the front of the property and improve the streetscape heritage values in-line with the 2015 ACT Heritage Register entry and Heritage Guidelines. Conservation works include replacing six street facing aluminium windows (and removal of current window grills) with timber windows to complement the architectural style of the original dwelling(s). The amount applied for must be matched by the applicant.

Further information on ACT Heritage Grants, funding priorities, eligibility, and application requirements can be found in the Heritage Grant Guidelines available at: <a href="https://www.environment.act.gov.au/heritage/heritage-and-the-community/heritage\_grants\_program">https://www.environment.act.gov.au/heritage/heritage-and-the-community/heritage\_grants\_program</a>.

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By the Minister for Heritage, Rebecca Vassarotti MLA