

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES Ms Jo Clay MLA (Chair), Ms Suzanne Orr MLA (Deputy Chair), Mr Mark Parton MLA

## MEDIA RELEASE

## Report tabled – Inquiry into Giralang Shops – Final Report

The Chair of the Standing Committee on Planning, Transport and City Services, Ms Jo Clay MLA, today tabled the Committee's final report on its *Inquiry into Giralang Shops*.

The inquiry was opened after petition 4-21 was tabled in the Assembly on 10 February 2021. Sponsored by Ms Suzanne Orr MLA, the petition was signed by 584 residents and sought an update on the progress of the Giralang shops development. The Committee issued an interim report on 14 December 2021, making a number of recommendations and findings which included recommendations relating to the crown lease, site maintenance and public realm improvements.

'TP Dynamics have purchased the development from Giralang Property Group and are proceeding under the approved development application,' said Ms Jo Clay MLA. 'The new retail area, which includes a 1,000m<sup>2</sup> supermarket and supporting retail spaces, is due to open by early 2024.

'The Committee is pleased to see this development progressing and the active engagement by TP Dynamics to keep the Giralang community informed. We welcome this new chapter for the residents of Giralang.'

The Committee's report makes one finding and two recommendations:

- Finding 1 The Committee notes that the barriers to development outlined by the former developer, Giralang Property Group, have not proven significant for the new developer who has been able to resolve these barriers within 6 months of taking ownership of the site.
- Recommendation 1 The Committee recommends that the ACT Government work with the new developer, TP Dynamics, to make sure the project and the community commitments are delivered as soon as practicable.
- Recommendation 2 The Committee recommends that the new developer, TP Dynamics, continue their proactive and regular updates to the Giralang Community as the construction of the development and associated community works progresses.

The Committee's report is available on the Assembly's webpage at <u>https://www.parliament.act.gov.au/parliamentary-business/in-committees/recent-reports</u>

Under the Assembly's standing orders, the ACT Government is required to respond to committee reports within four months of tabling.

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