



Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by JAMES MILLIGAN MLA:

[Ref: Sports & Recreation (Elite Sporting performance and venues), Budget Outlook, page number 339, output class 3.3]

In relation to:


1. The Budget Outlook promises Planning for a permanent home for Dragon Boating (p.339). There is not further detail in the Budget Papers.
 - a) What is the purpose of this funding – how is it to be spent?
 - b) What is the timeframe for this funding?
 - c) What are the expected outputs?
 - d) Will this ‘planning’ be done in-house, or through a consultancy?
 - i) If consultancy, who is the government expecting to employ to complete this work?
 - ii) Will the community be consulted?
 - e) What is the planned location of the venue?
 - f) Will the planned venue be able to host international dragon boat festivals?

YVETTE BERRY MLA: The answer to the Member’s question is as follows:–

- a) The purpose of this funding (\$400,0000) is to commence planning and detailed design for a new home for dragon boating in the ACT.
- b) The funding was allocated through the 2020-21 Budget and the project has commenced.
- c) The expected output is the preparation of a design and cost plan for the new dragon boat facility.
- d) This planning work is being undertaken via a consultancy.
 - i) Cox Architecture have been engaged to complete this work.
 - ii) The design work for the new facility is being undertaken in consultation with Dragon Boat ACT. Community engagement will be undertaken prior to the finalisation of the facility design.
- e) The planned location for the facility is Grevillea Park.
- f) It is unlikely the planned venue will be able to host international dragon boat festivals as the depth of the water along the alignment of the dragon boat course in Lake Burley Griffin is not sufficient to host sanctioned international dragon boat events.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion

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Date: 09/11/21

By the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Yvette Berry MLA