



## Standing Committee on Planning, Transport and City Services

### **Inquiry into Planning Bill 2022** **ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

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Asked by Ms Jo Clay MLA on 6 December 2022: Ms Sarah Sharp of the Friends of Grassland took on notice the following question(s):

Reference: Hansard uncorrected proof transcript 6 December 2022, page 131.

In relation to: Environmental Significance Opinions

**THE CHAIR:** I might ask one more technical question, if that is, okay? And feel free to tell me if it not interesting or not relevant.

But we—there is environmental significance opinions, and the territory already does a scoping document on that. And we have heard some criticism from various organisations that no one gets to see the scoping documents, there is no input into the scoping documents. So of course, the environmental significance opinion comes back but it will not have the right things in it if it did not have—if the consultant was not given the right scoping in the first place.

Has that come up at all in any of your fields?

**Ms Sharp:** Again, I will probably get back to you on that—

Ms Sarah Sharp: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

[Insert answer to question taken on notice]

Friends of Grasslands has not had any concerns about not seeing scoping documents, particularly given our concerns relate to threatened species and communities, and are aware that these issues have been included in the scoping documents.

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