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**QON No. 58** 



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

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2020-2021

## **QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Asked by Mrs Elizabeth Kikkert MLA: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services
In relation to: Inspection of footbridge on Ginninderra Drive

- 1. When was the last time the footbridge just south of Companion Crescent and Ginninderra Drive intersection was inspected?
  - a. What were the results of this inspection?
- 2. What is the estimated remaining lifespan of this bridge?
- 3. When was the last time this bridge received any repairs?

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

- The bridge at this location (B1030) was inspected as part of the routine Roads ACT bridge inspection program between July and September 2021. A more detailed inspection was subsequently undertaken by a chartered structural engineer on 18 November 2021.
  - a. One defect was recorded at the routine inspection, relating to deteriorated timber decking having lost approximately 40 per cent of thickness. A recommendation was made to replace the timber decking within 1-2 years.
    - The results of the later, more detailed inspection were that the structural members were in very good condition and capable of carrying design loads. The substructure showed no signs of movement or deflection from its original position and the abutments at both ends were sound and in good condition. Inspection of the underside of the pedestrian bridge showed all timber members in a sound and solid state. Recommendations were made to replace only the timber decking and handrails, which will occur as part of the regular maintenance program.
- 2. Bridge inspections do not typically provide an estimate of remaining lifespan.

3. There have been no recent repairs of this bridge.

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Signature:

Date: 1/4/22

By the Minister for Transport and City Services, Mr Chris Steel MLA