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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2023-2024

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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by **MS JO CLAY** on 20 July 2023: **MINISTER BERRY** (Sport & Recreation) took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: *Southside hydrotherapy pool*

MS CLAY: Thank you Chair. Minister, the budget has \$8.3 million for the southside hydrotherapy pool. Is that the same funding as for last year's hydrotherapy pool?

Dr West: I will need to take that on notice. I know that we are in consultation with ACT Health and major projects around the design and specification to go to market through that process. In terms of the dollars itself I will need to take that on notice.

MS CLAY: If you are taking it on notice, I will tell you what I am after. I think last year's budget we had 8.5 million for the hydrotherapy pool. This year we have got 8.3 million. Is it the same money? If so, why was it rolled over. When will the pool actually be built and opened? On notice; thank you.

Dr West: On notice, yes.

MINISTER STEPHEN SMITH: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

The 2022-23 ACT Budget provided funding of \$8.5 million in capital funding over three years for the detailed design and construction of a Southside Hydrotherapy pool at the Lakeside Leisure Centre in Greenway.

The \$8.3 million is the remaining amount for the continuation of the design and for construction and fit-out across the 2023-24 and 2024-25 financial years. The total amount expended to date is \$190,546 of the \$500,000 allocated for the 2022-23 financial year, the remaining amount for 2022-23 has been rolled over to the 2023-24 financial year.

The Development Application was submitted for completeness check on 28 July 2023. The Request for Tender for the Head Contractor for the construction of the facility is expected to be released by the end of August 2023. Construction is scheduled to be completed in 2024.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2023-2024

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Stephen-Smith", written over a horizontal line.

Date:

7/8/23

By the Minister for Health, Ms Stephen-Smith MLA