



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES  
SUZANNE ORR MLA (CHAIR), CANDICE BURCH MLA (DEPUTY CHAIR), JAMES MILLIGAN MLA

**Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports**  
**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Asked by NICOLE LAWDER: To ask the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Ref: EPSDD, Heritage, 3.1

In relation to: ACT Parks and Conservation Service Cultural Heritage Management system

- 1) When will the Cultural Heritage Management System be completed?
- 2) Who is undertaking the development of the CHMS?
- 3) What aboriginal Heritage groups has the directorate partnered with in creating the CHMS?
- 4) Can you please provide a copy of the review of the PCS management estate and the current heritage management practices?
- 5) What is the cost of the CHMS?

MICK GENTLEMAN: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

- 1) The first phase of delivering the Cultural Heritage Management System was completed with the finalisation of a *Scoping Project Report for a framework for Aboriginal cultural heritage management for the ACT Parks and Conservation Service* in October 2018. The next phase to develop the Cultural Heritage Management System is scheduled to be undertaken in 2019.
- 2) Parks and Conservation Service will engage a consultant through a procurement process in early 2019 to proceed to the next phase of work.
- 3) Internally, the PCS Healthy Country team, Murrumbung Yurung Murra Rangers, ACT Heritage Aboriginal Liaison Officer and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body government representative participated in the development of the framework and report. Externally, the four Representative Aboriginal Organisations (RAOs) were consulted. The next phase of developing the CMHS is building a partnership with Traditional Custodians.
- 4) The report is not complete as relevant internal stakeholders have not completed their review of the material.

However, the Parks and Conservation Services would welcome the opportunity to brief the Committee on the report.

5) The cost of the Scoping Project Report for a framework for Aboriginal cultural heritage management was \$41,160 ex GST.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Environment and Transport and City Services

Signature:



Date: 11/12/18

By the Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Mick Gentleman MLA