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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Asked by: Ms Nicole Lawder MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Housing and Suburban Development

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In relation to: Indicative sale price for block of land owned by Mr John Hyles

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THE CHAIR: I do have a question. Is the block owned by John Hyles(?) [3.36.31] part of the proposal for Riverview?

Ms Berry: Well, it is part of a potential development.

THE CHAIR: Has he sold?

Ms Berry: No.

THE CHAIR: Is it part of the contract that Riverview must deliver that block as part of it?

Mr Lee: No. So it is one of the four parcels that I referred to as well.

THE CHAIR: What about in terms of any other, you know, requirements. Like EPBC or anything, is it has to be—does the Hyles' block have to be included for any other reason?

Mr Lee: So, in terms of the EPBC, there is a requirement for that area to form part of the conservation. We are working with our colleagues at the Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water just to look at the requirements under that EPBC...(indistinct)... [03.37.36].

THE CHAIR: And so, if Mr Hyles does not come to the party, what will that mean?

Mr Lee: That will be considered as part of the discussions with the Commonwealth.

THE CHAIR: Has Mr Hyles indicated an indicative sale price?

Ms Berry: I do not know if we could respond to that.

Mr Lee: Yes.

Ms Berry: I do not know if we can provide that information. I do not know if we even got it. I can take it on notice, but I do not think we do. I think generally, mister—my understanding of his—that piece of land is that there is a quarry on the land that still has about a decade of operational life on it. And so, there is at least 10 years of when Mr Hyles might consider.

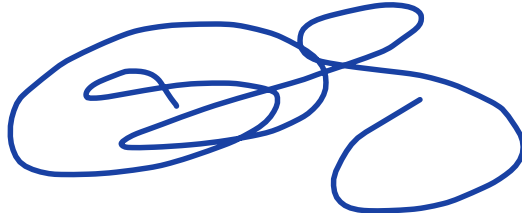
I think the issue with the EPBC is part of Mr Hyles land takes in where the Conservation Trust of the joint venture, kind of—like, kind of meet each other. So that is the challenges that we are having to overcome with the federal department around the development of any of that land around Mr Hyles' site.

Yvette Berry MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

Mr Hyles has been actively involved in discussions regarding the Ginninderry Joint Venture development intentions for over 10 years. He was a willing participant in the rezoning of his land to allow residential and environmental uses. In terms of the purchase of his land there have been several informal discussions with Mr Hyles regarding the potential future purchase of his land. No formal price has been indicated to the Suburban Land Agency.

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By the Minister for Housing and Suburban Development, Yvette Berry MLA