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Questions on Notice

Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation

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174. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Smyth

Fairbairn Park sport and recreation precinct funding

BRENDAN SMYTH MLA : To ask the Minister for Territory and Municipal Services:

In relation to the Fairbairn Pines sport and recreation precinct:

1. Has the ACT Government provided any funding to any lessee in the Fairbairn Pines sports and recreation precinct.
2. If so, (a) what is the source of these funds; (b) what is the quantum of funding that has been provided to each lessee; (c) how was the quantum of funding determined in each case.
3. Where lessees received funding from the ACT Government, were these lessees responding to a call for applications for funds from an ACT Government department or agency.
4. What were the purposes for which the funds were to be used.
5. Have the funds been acquitted appropriately.
6. Are there any applications for funding from any lessee still outstanding.

Fairbairn Park sport and recreation precinct leases

BRENDAN SMYTH MLA : To ask the Minister for Territory and Municipal Services:

In relation to the Fairbairn Pines sport and recreation precinct:

1. What conditions apply to the activities of motor cycle riders on their lease or leases in the precinct.
2. What conditions apply to the activities of motor cycle organisations on their lease or leases in the precinct.
3. Which ACT Government agencies ensure that these conditions are satisfied.
4. What action is being taken to ensure that any lease conditions are complied with.
5. If lease conditions are not satisfied or are not complied with by any motor cycle organisations, what action has been or is being taken to make sure that lease conditions are being satisfied.
6. (a) What conditions govern access to these leases; (b) what conditions determine when activities must cease on these leases; (c) in particular, are motor cycle riders permitted to use their lease or leases for riding motor bikes after sundown; (d) if yes, why is this so; (e) if not, what penalties or other action is taken when this condition not satisfied

Fairbairn Park sport and recreation precinct responsibility

BRENDAN SMYTH MLA : To ask the Minister for Territory and Municipal Services:

In relation to the Fairbairn Pines sport and recreation precinct:

1. Which ACT Government department or agency has overall responsibility for the Fairbairn Pines sport and recreation precinct.
2. Which department or agency has responsibility for the management of this precinct.
3. Which department or agency has responsibility for the determination of leases for this precinct.
4. Which department or agency has responsibility for ensuring lessees comply with any conditions that are set out in their leases in this precinct.
5. Which department or agency has responsibility for environmental issues, such as noise and dust, on this precinct.
6. Which department or agency has responsibility for the management of activities, such as social activities and availability of and access to alcohol, on this precinct.
7. Do any other ACT Government departments or agencies have a role in the management of any aspect of this precinct.
8. (a) In relation to the involvement of each of these departments or agencies, are there any limitations on the way in which they can manage their responsibilities in this precinct; (b) if so, what are these limitations; (c) if these limitations relate to legislation, what action is being taken to resolve these issues; (d) if these limitations relate to matters other than legislation, what action is being taken to resolve these matters.

Fairbairn Park sport and recreation precinct complaints

BRENDAN SMYTH MLA : To ask the Minister for Territory and Municipal Services:

In relation to the Fairbairn Pines sport and recreation precinct:

1. Are you aware of complaints that have been made by the operators of Paintball Sports Pty Limited about motor cycling activities in the precinct.
2. Are you aware of the nature of these complaints.
3. What has been your response to these complaints.
4. (a) Specifically, what action have you taken to respond to the detail of these complaints; (b) if you have not taken any action, why not.
5. (a) Have you had any consultations with Paintball Sports Pty Limited about their complaints; (b) if yes, what has been the outcome of these consultations; (c) if not, why not.
6. If you have taken action, has this resolved the concerns of Paintball Sports Pty Limited.

178. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Smyth

Fairbairn Park sport and recreation precinct NSW residents

BRENDAN SMYTH MLA : To ask the Minister for Territory and Municipal Services:

In relation to the Fairbairn Pines sport and recreation precinct:

1. Are you aware of any complaints from residents living at The Ridgeway in NSW about noise from motor cycling activities in the Fairbairn Pines precinct.
2. If so, how many complaints have been lodged.
3. Over what period have these complaints been made.
4. What action has been taken about these complaints.
5. Has this action resolved the complaints.
6. (a) Have there been any complaints from The Ridgeway about any other activities in the precinct; (b) if so, what action has been taken about these complaints; (c) has this action resolved these complaints.

339. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Seselja

Expenditure on Tourism, Sport and Recreation

Zed Seselja : To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation

In relation to : Expenditure on Tourism, Sport and Recreation

1. For the financial year to date, detail the expenditure on Tourism, Sport and Recreation reports commissioned.
2. What was the purpose of the reports in (1)?
3. Who or what organisations prepared the reports in (1)?
4. What was the cost of the reports in (1)?
5. Have the reports in (1) been tabled or presented to the Assembly?
6. What has been the outcome of the reports in (1)?

340. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Seselja

Consulting services

Zed Seselja : To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation

In relation to : Consulting Services

1. For the financial year to date, detail the expenditure in the Department of Territory and Municipal Services on consulting services related to Tourism, Sports and Recreation.
2. How much was spent on consulting services in the financial year to date?
3. Detail the individual contracts i.e who they were awarded to, at what cost, for what reason, and how they were awarded (i.e by tender, with certificate of exemption etc)?
4. How much is estimated to be spent on consulting services in the financial year to date?

Promotional activities

Zed Seselja : To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation

In relation to : Promotional activities

1. In reference to promotional activities related to Tourism, Sports and Recreation
 - a. What promotional activities, publications, advertising in any media have been undertaken by the Department of Territory and Municipal Services, the Minister's office, or any other office or agency on behalf of the Department or the Minister's office in the financial year to date?
 - b. What was the total amount spent on such activities and was it costed to the Department, the Minister's office or another Minister's office or another department?
 - c. Detail the promotional activities, publications and advertising undertaken by the Department, the Minister's office or those undertaken by the Minister's office or another department on behalf of the Minister or the Department?
 - d. What were the promotional activities, publications and advertising meant to achieve, did they achieve their purpose and how was that measured?
 - e. How much has been allocated both within the Minister's office and the Department of Territory and Municipal Services for use on Tourism, Sports and Recreation promotional activities in the financial year to date?

342. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Seselja

Focus groups

Zed Seselja : To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation

In relation to : Focus Groups

1. How many focus groups were conducted on behalf of the Department of Territory and Municipal Services relating to Tourism, Sports and Recreation in the financial year to date?
2. When were they held and what was the nature of each focus group?
3. If focus group participants were paid to attend the focus group, how much were they paid?
4. Where can members get the details and findings of these publicly funded focus groups?

Travel

Zed Seselja : To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation

In relation to : Interstate and Overseas Travel

1. List the interstate trips taken by you as Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation in the financial year to date, including but not limited to
 - (a) Detail the purpose of each interstate trip taken by you as Minister for the Tourism, Sports and Recreation.
 - a. Detail the duration of each trip taking by you as Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation.
 - b. Detail the costs you incurred in each interstate trip.
 - c. Detail outcomes achieved from each interstate trip.
2. List all Ministerial staff who accompanied you on all interstate trips taken by you in the financial year to date.
3. Detail the costs incurred by the Ministerial staff on each interstate trip in the financial year to date/
4. List all departmental staff who accompanied you on all interstate trips taken by you in the financial year to date.
 - (a) Detail the costs incurred by Tourism, Sports and Recreation staff accompanying you on each interstate trip.
5. List any non-Governmental citizens who accompanied you on any interstate trips who Government paid partial or full travel and accommodation costs for.
6. List the overseas trips taken by you as Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation in the financial year to date, including but not limited to
 - (a) Detail the purpose of each overseas trip taken by you as Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation.
 - d. Detail the duration of each trip taking by you as Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation.
 - e. Detail the costs you incurred in each overseas trip.
 - f. Detail outcomes achieved from each overseas trip.
7. List all Ministerial staff who accompanied you on all overseas trips taken by you as Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation in the financial year to date.
8. Detail the costs incurred by the Ministerial staff on each overseas trip in the financial year to date.
9. List all departmental staff who accompanied you on all your overseas trips taken by you as Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation in the financial year to date.

10. List an non-Government citizens who accompanied you on any overseas trips who Government paid partial or full travel and accommodation costs for.
11. Detail any overseas trips undertaken by any of your Ministerial staff that you were not present on where that staff member was travelling on your behalf.
 - (a) Detail the purpose of such trips and costs incurred by the Ministerial staff on any such trips.
 - (b) Detail the duration of each such trip.

344. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Seselja

Hospitality

Zed Seselja : To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sports and Recreation

In relation to : Hospitality

1. How much did you spend on official Hospitality outside of the ACT Legislative Assembly during the financial year to date?
2. How many taxpayer funded functions did you host in the ACT Legislative Assembly during the financial year to date?
3. List the ACT Legislative Assembly functions you hosted and how much each function cost?

Strategic plan

BRENDAN SMYTH: To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation:

In relation to the strategic plan for tourism:

1. What was the cost of preparing the strategic plan for Australian Capital Tourism.
2. How long did the strategic plan take to prepare.
3. Was a consultant engaged to prepare, or assist in the preparation of, the strategic plan.
4. If a consultant was used: (a) who was the consultant; (b) what fee was paid for this consultancy; (c) what activities did the consultant perform.
5. What consultations and other activities were involved in the preparation of this strategic plan.
6. (a) Were submissions sought from the industry and the community as part of the process of preparing the strategic plan; (b) how many submissions were received; (c) who lodged submissions; (d) where are these submissions available; (e) if submissions were not sought, why not..

509. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Rattenbury

QTON – visitcanberra.com.au

Shane Rattenbury: To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation

In relation to : visitcanberra.com.au

How do you measure your online performance - is it by hits or individual visitors. Can you tell us a bit more about the bases of measurement.

Andrew Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The number of hits on the www.visitcanberra.com.au website refers to unique visitors, not page impressions.

510. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Smyth

QTON – Phillip enclosed oval

Brendan Smyth: To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation

In relation to : Phillip Enclosed Oval

When was the DA for Phillip Enclosed Oval pavilion lodged?

Andrew Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The project architects have the responsibility of lodging the DA and it is due to be lodged on 29 May 2009.

511. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Smyth

QTON – Harrison District Playing Fields

Brendan Smyth: To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation

In relation to : Harrison District Playing Fields

When was the DA for the Harrison District Playing Fields lodged?

Andrew Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

ACT Procurement Solutions have advised that the DA for Harrison District Playing Fields was submitted on 25 May 2009.

512. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Smyth

QTON – ISC sponsorship arrangement with the Brumbies

Brendan Smyth: To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation

In relation to : ISC sponsorship arrangement with the Brumbies

How much was cash and how much in-kind support?

Andrew Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The original ISC contract for 2009 included cash of \$347,750 and \$245,000 of 'in kind' support. The revised deal negotiated with the new ISC company for 2009 is \$150,000 in cash and \$170,000 of 'in kind' support.

513. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Rattenbury

QTON – Australia Capital Tourism media buy

Shane Rattenbury: To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation

In relation to: Australian Capital Tourism's media buy

What is Australian Capital Tourism's media buy and what is the geographic breakdown of this media buy?

Andrew Barr: I am advised that the answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

The total media buy for 2008-09 was approximately \$2.35 million.

The majority of the media buy was invested in the core markets of Sydney and regional NSW with some activity to the secondary markets of Brisbane and Adelaide. Internationally media buy is limited to Singapore and Malaysia, and is cooperative in nature.

Australian Capital Tourism uses Roy Morgan Value Segments (Visible Achievement and Socially Aware) which are psychographic (as opposed to geographic) in nature. Therefore, some print (publications) and digital (online) media buying is national in focus.

515. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Rattenbury

QTON – Zero net emissions

Brendan Smyth: To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation

In relation to: Tourism Funding

What is the breakdown of the \$1.8 million tourism funding provided for in the 2009-10 ACT Budget?

Andrew Barr: I am advised that the answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

Breakdown for \$1.8 million allocated for 2009-10:

\$500k – 2009-10 Autumn Event

\$400k – Floriade Nightfest

\$200k – Floriade

\$100k – Event development 2011

\$600k – Domestic marketing

516. Tourism, Sport and Recreation Rattenbury

QTON – EPIC

Brendan Smyth : To ask the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation

In relation to : EPIC

When did the board first ask for block 751

Andrew Barr: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

Preliminary discussions were undertaken on 30 July 2001. The first formal approach to the Government was on 8 August 2003.

