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Question to the Minister for the Arts and Heritage –

In relation to the Manuka Arts Centre –

1. Is the Manuka Arts Centre now incorporated into the design for the redevelopment of the Manuka Oval precinct? If no, why? If no, why is money being spent on landscaping works?
2. What consultation has there been with stakeholders on this project? In what way and to what extent has that consultation informed the design concepts for the redevelopment?
3. If the redevelopment of Manuka Oval has been shelved, for how long has it been shelved?
4. What has the Government done to assure the tenants of the Manuka Arts Centre of their tenure?
5. If the redevelopment project is to continue what is the Government doing to either:
 - a. maintain the tenure of the tenancies at the Manuka Arts Centre; or
 - b. assist them to find new premises and refurbish and fit them out as necessary?

Mr Stanhope: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. Concept master plans incorporating the Manuka Arts Centre into the broader Manuka Circle precinct have been prepared and are yet to be considered by Government.
2. A public consultation program was undertaken as part of the Manuka Oval master planning process conducted in 2009. This process included consultation with the existing tenants of the Manuka Arts Centre and artsACT.
3. See one above.

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4. During the public consultation program the existing tenants of the Manuka Arts Centre were assured that their needs would be considered in any future plans for redevelopment of Manuka Oval and the Manuka Circle precinct.
5. Once Government has considered the Master Plan, decisions on the Manuka Arts Centre will need to be made, taking into account the needs of current tenants.

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