



Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by JAMES MILLIGAN MLA:

[Ref: Sports & Recreation (Elite Sporting performance and venues), Budget Outlook, page number 69, output class 3.3]

In relation to:

Indoor Sports Facilities

1. After years of slow progress due to studies, reports and consultations with other agencies no definitive report has been provided to identify any progress on these much-needed resources. The original study spanned three districts in Canberra. Gungahlin may benefit from the announcements for a sports centre in Casey.
 - a. Why has the process effectively stalled and no provisions for advancement made in this budget?
 - b. Has the Suburban Land Agency provided a report or advice on how facilities of this type will fit into their ongoing plans for suburban development throughout all of Canberra?

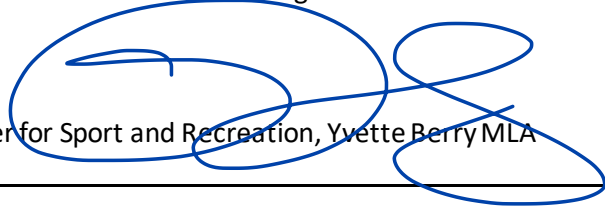
YVETTE BERRY MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

- a. With respect to the provision of indoor sport facilities in Gungahlin, the ACT Government has progressed the following projects:
 - i. The Home of Football in Throsby – this venue will include an indoor sports facility that will provide two international sized futsal courts (or the equivalent of four community futsal courts).
 - ii. Margaret Hendry School in Taylor – Completed in 2019, the school includes the provision of a single court gymnasium which is available for community use after school hours.
 - iii. Throsby Primary School – this ACT Government school will open in 2022 and includes a two-court gymnasium which will be available for community use outside of school hours.
 - iv. Taylor High School – Design work will commence on Taylor High School and include the provision of an indoor gymnasium. The new high school is expected to be ready for the start of the 2024 school year.
 - v. East Gungahlin High School in Kenny – The ACT Government has announced a new high school will be built in Kenny in time for the 2023 school year. It is expected the school will include a two-court indoor gymnasium which will be available for community use outside of school hours.
- b. The Suburban Land Agency is not responsible for the delivery of indoor sports facilities. As detailed in the list of projects above, the ACT Government does have a plan to support the

delivery of indoor sport facilities that sit across multiple ministerial portfolios (e.g. sport and recreation, education).

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By the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Yvette Berry MLA