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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2023-2024

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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by Peter Cain MLA on 18 July 2023: Mr Stephen Alegria took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Tidbinbilla Visitor Centre Funding

MR CAIN: And has not a fresh budget line been opened for this new proposed centre?

Mr Alegria: At this stage, we have funding to progress, I guess, a detailed design sufficient to then put a further business case to government to seek funding for implementation, should that be the government's wish.

MR CAIN: And that is under the Brindabella entry? That is where that funding sits, or does it sit separately?

Mr Alegria: I am not sure what you mean by "the Brindabella entry," but it is —

MR CAIN: On page 37 of the budget statement F.

Mr Alegria: Budget statement F, yes. Look, I would have come back to you with the detail on that. I am sorry.

MR CAIN: Take that on notice?

Mr Alegria: Yes.

MR CAIN: Thank you.

Mick Gentleman MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: —

The 2022-23 Budget provided \$1.074 million over two years to design a new visitor centre at Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve (TNR) and improve visitor safety experience within Canberra Nature Park and TNR.

Total funding comprises:

1. \$648,000 over two years to design a new visitor centre at Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve, with a full business case for consideration by Government as part of the 2024-25 Budget; and
2. \$426,000 over two years to address high priority safety improvements at Canberra Nature Park and Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve, including for tracks and trails.

The 2023-24 Budget Statements E confirm an Existing Funding Reprofile (page 37, second line Revised Funding Profile – Better Community Infrastructure – Improving Tidbinbilla and Canberra Nature Park \$210k and \$40k moved to 2024-25). The reprofile of funding relates to TNR design works.

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Signature:



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By the Minister for Planning and Land Management, Mick Gentleman MLA