



Inquiry into annual and financial reports 2024–25

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Miss Jo Clay MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development

Reference: CED

Hearing: 12 November 2025

In relation to: Offsets

Question received: 20 November 2025

Answer Due: 27 November 2025

- (1) What is the timeline for completing a refresh of the ACT offsets policy?
- (2) How many recommendations from the Rooftop Social investigation into offsets have been implemented?
- (3) Can a site be used as an environmental offset while it has an active rural lease?

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- (1) No timeline is available as the refresh will be guided by future decisions of the Government.
- (2) Whilst the recommendations from the Rooftop Social review has guided and informed the ongoing policy work of the City and Environment Directorate in relation to offset matters, the Government has not formally adopted a position on the recommendations that were made.
- (3) Yes, but this is not preferred.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Environment and Planning

Signature:

Date:

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By the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development, Chris Steel MLA