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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

CSD-No 16 – 19-06-2014



Asked by Mr Steve Doszpot on 19 June 2014: Ms Natalie Howson took on notice the following question(s):
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In relation to: Canberra Seniors Centre (BP3 page 203)

1. What is the reason for the rollover for the Canberra Seniors Centre which was due for completion in June 2014?
2. What assurances of equity or ownership of the current property have been made with the community?

MINISTER RATTENBURY: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

In late 2013, Colin Stewart Architects were engaged to undertake a feasibility study for the redevelopment of the Canberra Seniors Centre.

Finalisation of the study has been delayed due to difficulties in identifying suitable new sites. The sites identified included Ainslie Group Centre, Watson, Hackett, Turner and Dickson. The preferred sites for further analysis are off Rosevear Place in Dickson, off Hall Street in Lyneham and the existing site in Turner.

The feasibility report is expected to be completed by late July 2014. The report will provide a recommendation on the preferred site based on their analysis for consideration.

Following the outcome of the feasibility study, work will be undertaken in the 2014-15 financial year to complete forward design.

The Canberra Seniors Citizen's Centre Incorporated holds Title over Block 1 Section 37 Turner. Negotiations with the Canberra Senior Centre, once a site has been determined, will recognise that ownership.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2014-2015

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By the Minister for Ageing, Mr Shane Rattenbury MLA