



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

Elizabeth Kikkert: To ask the Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs

Ref: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs, Budget Outlook, p. 151, Budget Statement G, pp. 23–24, output class CSD 3.1 Strategic Policy

In relation to: a new facility for Gugan Gulwan

1. Can the Minister provide a breakdown of each year of funding budgeted for the new purpose-built facility for Gugan Gulwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation through 2023-24?
2. What is the projected finish date for this project?
3. What specifically has been completed to date?
4. According to Tables 20 and 21 in Budget Statement G, money for this facility that was budgeted for 2020-21 has not been spent. What was this money for, and why has its use been delayed?

RACHEL STEPHEN-SMITH MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

1. The following table sets out the funding each year for the construction of a purpose-built facility for Gugan Gulwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation on their current premises in Wanniasa.

	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Total recurrent expenses	35	286	256	0	<b>577</b>
Capital	2,000	0	0	0	<b>2,000</b>
Capital – Provision	0	8,886	4,000	0	<b>12,886</b>
Depreciation	0	0	415	415	<b>830</b>
<b>FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	

2. It is anticipated the construction and fit out will be completed in the first half of 2023.

3. The following table outlines the broad Program of Works and status on progress made.

<b>Program of Works</b>	<b>Status</b>
1. Feasibility Study	Complete
2. Design Phase	Near completion
A. Stakeholder engagement to develop design options	Complete
B. Preliminary Sketch Plan with endorsement of Gugan Gulwan	Complete
C. Final Sketch Plan with endorsement of Gugan Gulwan	Near completion
D. Development Application	In Progress
E. Document Readiness	In Progress
3. Tender for Construction	Not Started
4. Relocation Phase	In Progress
A. Identify temporary accommodation	In Progress
B. Relocation including fit out	Not Started
5. Demolition	Not Started
6. Construction	Not Started
Gugan Gulwan Project Management Support	In Place

4. In 2020-21, funding was provided to continue momentum on the initiative of a purpose-built building for Gugan Gulwan following the feasibility study in 2019. The entire funding amount had been committed through contracts and the unspent \$72,000 will be used to meet contractual obligations. The tender process and project initiation took more time than anticipated to secure the appropriate consultants with a high level of experience working Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and communities and to develop trust in the design team before the project could start in earnest.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion

Signature:



Date:

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By the Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs, Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA