



Inquiry into the Role and Future of the Woden Town Centre in the context of a compact city

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Fiona Carrick MLA

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Ben Green took on notice the following question(s):

MS CARRICK: I just have one more. You said you did a recreational needs assessment, will that be—for across Canberra, will that be released publicly?

Mr Green: The recreational needs assessment was a data exercise of trying to understand what the underlying - existing facilities are and a benchmarking exercise. Separately the professional planners within our directorate are looking at that. And making sure that it is relevant for that further discussion with community around the Southern Gateway side—

Mr Steel: It will be going out for consultation on the plan next year.

THE CHAIR: Mr Green, can you table that document you just referenced?

Mr Green: I think that is a document that it will be considered by cabinet. Let me just seek some advice on—

THE CHAIR: You seek some advice, please.

Mr Green: Yes, I will seek some advice.

THE CHAIR: Thank you. Caitlin.

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

The *ACT Community, Sport and Recreation Facilities Needs Assessment* (the study) is expected to be completed by the end of December 2025. Following government consideration of the completed study, it is expected to be released publicly in the first half of 2026.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

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