

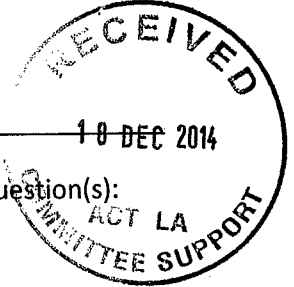


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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 1
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS



Asked by Mr Wall on 17 November 2014: **Mr Simmons** took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 17 November 2014 PAGE 6

In relation to:

How many complaints have been made against construction occupation licensees in the reporting period and if possible a breakdown as to what type of licence they related to, construction, plumbing, electrical?

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

As reported in the Construction Occupations (*Licensing*) Act 2004 (COLA) Annual Report 2013-2014 (Report), the Construction Services Branch received 305 formal complaints against licensees under the COLA. I refer the member to page 246 of the Report for a brief description of the types of complaints against specific occupations.

The Construction Services Branch is unable to provide a breakdown of cases per occupation due to the limitations of the reporting.

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Asked by Mr Wall on 17 November 2014: **Mr Simmons** took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

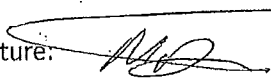
How many investigations into complaints made against construction occupation licensees resulted in conditions or sanctions being put on a licence?

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

In 2013/2014 there was:

1. one licensee conditioned resulting from an investigation into a complaint; and
2. two prosecutions resulting from an investigation into a complaint.

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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 2
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by Dr Burke on 17 November 2014: **Minister Gentleman** took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 17 November 2014 PAGE 10

In relation to:

In relation to the DA finder app do you have any metrics about how many people are using that?

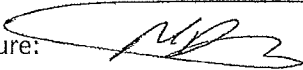
MINISTER GENTLEMAN: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

DA Finder app download statistics

As of 21 November 2014

- 505 IOS (apple)
- 64 Android (Samsung+)
- 569 in total

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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 3
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by Mr Wall on 17 November 2014: **Mr Corrigan** took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 17 November 2014 PAGE 13

In relation to:

What is the average time period taken for a completeness check of a development application?

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

The average time period taken for a completeness check of a development application in the 2013/14 financial year was 6.4 days.

The completeness check process is calculated from the date the submission is made to the date the completeness check pass notice is sent.

A number of applications took longer than the average time to be processed because they had failed the completeness check, in some cases more than once, and the applicant had to provide additional information before the process could be finalised.

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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 4
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Asked by Mr Coe on 17 November 2014: **Mr Ponton** took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 17 November 2014 PAGE 19

In relation to:

What is the breakdown of the levels of Lease Variation Charge remissions applied to each of the 200 lease variations?


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

Since the introduction of Lease Variation Charge (LVC) on 1 July 2011, there have been 221 lease variations assessed under LVC and registered at the Land Titles Office.

Of the total of 221 lease variations assessed and registered, only twelve (12) remissions were applied as follows:

Number of lease variations	Remission Amount	Purpose
Five	100%	Childcare
Three	75%	Commercial/Industrial
One	75%	Residential
One	65%	Residential
One	55%	Residential
One	25%	Economic Stimulus

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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 5
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Asked by Mr Wall on 17 November 2014: **Minister Gentleman** took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 17 November 2014 PAGE 20

In relation to:

How many blocks have been surrendered back to the territory that are liable for a commencing and completing extension of time fee?

MINISTER GENTLEMAN: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:--

None

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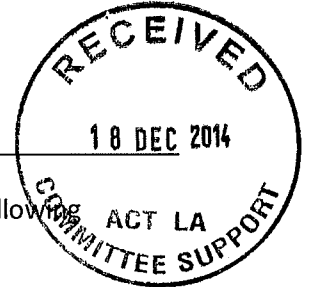
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Asked by Ms Berry on 17 November 2014: **Minister Gentleman** took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 17 November 2014 PAGE 25

In relation to:

What is the exact location of the "Meet the Planner" session planned for the Belconnen Mall?

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

The 'Meet the Planners' session held at Westfield Belconnen on Saturday 22 November 2014 was located in the bus interchange lounge on the upper floor near the Lathlain Street entrance.

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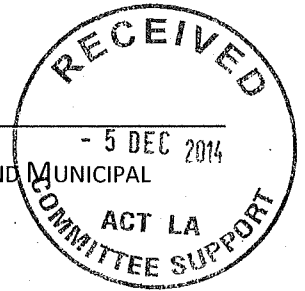
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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 7
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by Mr Coe on 19 November 2014 : Mr Barr took on notice the following question(s):

[Ref: Hansard Transcript 19 November 2014 [PAGES 8-9]

In relation to: Land release policy

MR COE: Minister, where are things at with regard to the one-third, one-third, one-third policy for land release?

Mr Barr: That remains the broad framework for land release. We have released a number of mini englobo sites. We intend to continue with that policy in the future. There are joint venture arrangements in relation to the west Belconnen development and the LDA continues to develop estates itself. It is not a hard and fast rule that every year it must be one-third, one-third, one-third but that is a broad principle. The government reserves the right to vary its approach to the delivery of new estates but it does have as an overarching policy objective the desire to have both joint venture and englobo releases as well as LDA estates.

MR COE: What portion of the land released in 2013-14 was under each third or each portion?

Mr Barr: We will take that on notice. We do not have an exact figure but I imagine there would be a high LDA component, that one-third for that fiscal year, but in previous years there would be a higher joint venture component, for example.

Minister Barr: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The one third, one third, one third broad policy principle was introduced in 2003. The original intent was that the approach was to apply to land released in Greenfield estates.

Of the 3,299 dwelling sites released in 2013-14, 914 were blocks of land in Greenfield estates. Of these 97 per cent were located in LDA estates while 3 per cent were released under a joint venture. There were no englobo releases over the year.

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Signature: *Andrew Barr*

Date: 4.12.14

By the Minister for Economic Development, Andrew Barr MLA



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Asked by Mr Coe on 19 November 2014 : Mr Barr took on notice the following question(s)

[Ref: Hansard Transcript 19 November 2014 [PAGE 10]]

In relation to: Land release allocation

MR COE: Sure, but that five or 10-year average might mean something to us looking at this in its entirety, but to a builder who is looking for a block of land, a rolling average like that does not necessarily mean much. What about for 2014-15? Taking aside the Mr Fluffy houses, what is the portion likely to be?

Minister Barr: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:--

Of the 3,600 dwelling sites proposed to be released in 2014-15 some 1,300 are blocks of land located in greenfield estates. These releases are planned to occur in the suburbs of Moncrieff, Taylor and Denman Prospect, all of which are LDA estates.

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Signature: *Andrew Barr*

Date: 16.12.2014

By the Minister for Economic Development, Andrew Barr MLA

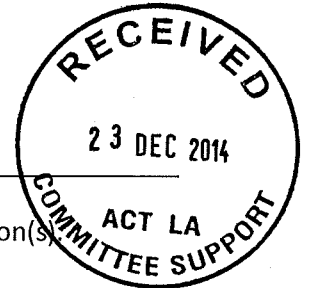


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Inquiry into referred 2013–14 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 8
Wednesday, 19 November 2014



Asked by Mr Coe on 19 November 2014: Mr Barr took on notice the following question(s)

[Ref: Hansard Transcript 19 November 2014[PAGE 36]]

In relation to: Riverview

MR COE: How much has the government spent so far on the Riverview estate?

Mr Barr: We will take that on notice.

Minister Barr: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

The LDA has spent approximately \$7 million so far on developing West Belconnen for future residential development. This has included considerable community consultation and an extensive range of planning, ecological, heritage, bushfire and infrastructure studies.

For context, it is estimated that the West Belconnen project will provide gross revenue of approximately \$1.1 billion to \$1.3 billion to the Territory.

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Signature: *Andrew Barr*

Date: 13.12.14

By the Minister for Economic Development, Andrew Barr MLA