



Inquiry into Appropriation Bill 2026–2027 and Appropriation (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Bill 2026–2027

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Mr Thomas Emerson MLA

Addressed to: Jacqueline Agius, Work Health and Safety Commissioner

In relation to: Geocon Projects – Investigations

Hearing: 29 July 2026

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Answer Due: 7 August 2026

Ms Agius took on notice the following question:

MR EMERSON: Okay. And so it is just on notice, I would be interested to know if you have received any other complaints relating to Geocon projects, in say the last three financial years. And what they are related to? If any of those investigations are ongoing? And if any notices were issued in relation to any of those? And what were the nature of the notices if there were fines and that sort of thing?

Ms Agius: Sure.

MR EMERSON: A table like that would be amazing.

Ms Agius: Yes, absolutely.

Jacqueline Agius: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

WorkSafe ACT is limited in the level of detail that can be provided in response to the Member's question due to confidentiality provisions under section 271 of the Work Health and Safety Act 2011. However, I can provide the following high-level information in relation to complaints and notifiable incident reports received related to Geocon.

Between 2023-24 and 2025-26, WorkSafe ACT received **21** complaints and **24** notifiable incidents related to Geocon. The matters these complaints or notifiable incidents relate to included issues around scaffolds, injuries, falling objects and concerning work practices. One matter is still ongoing, with all other complaints or notifiable incidents finalised.

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	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Total
Notifiable Incident	15	6	3	24
Complaint	10	4	7	21
Total	25	10	10	45

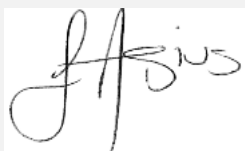
Between 2023-24 and 2025-26, WorkSafe ACT issued **17** improvement notices, **seven** prohibition notices and **two** non-disturbance notices against Geocon for the notifiable incidents and complaints received during this period.

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Total
Improvement	13	4	0	17
Prohibition	6	1	0	7
Non-Disturbance	0	2	0	2
Total	19	7	0	26

WorkSafe ACT issued improvement and prohibition notices against section 19 (Primary duty of care) and s21 (Duty of persons conducting businesses or undertakings involving management or control of fixtures, fittings or plant at workplaces) against the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011*, referencing the *Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011* where applicable. The most common breaches were:

- s39: Provision of information, training and instruction – Act, s19
- s418CAA: Control measures for processing other crystalline silica material
- s150: Inspection and testing of electrical equipment
- s40: Duty in relation to general workplace facilities
- s300: Compliance with safe work method statement
- s418BAA: Uncontrolled processing of other crystalline silica material - prohibition

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Signature:

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By the Work Health and Safety Commissioner, Jacqueline Agius