

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

### WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Maley to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics:

#### **35 Stevens Road Knuckey Lagoon – Unapproved Shed Extension**

It has been brought to the attention of the Opposition that the NT Government owned 35 Stevens Road Knuckey Lagoon has an unapproved shed extension that sits on the boundary with 25 Stevens Road and has a roof that over hangs the boundary.

#### **Questions:**

- 1. The NT Government purchased 35 Stevens Road Knuckey Lagoon in 2020 and has been remediating the site due to previous commercial activity in preparation for sale as a rural residential property.**

**Why hasn't the unapproved structure been removed?**

- 2. Do you intend to remove the structure before selling the property?**
- 3. When will the structure be removed?**
- 4. What inspections were made during normal conveyancing prior to the purchase of 35 Stevens Road Knuckey Lagoon?**
- 5. Were you made aware of the unapproved structure?**
- 6. Was the removal of this unapproved structure factored into the purchase price?**
- 7. How much was this allowance?**

#### **Response to Questions 1 – 7:**

The Territory acquired the 2.5 hectare Rural Living (RL) zoned lot at 35 Stevens Road, Knuckey Lagoon in late 2020 in accordance with the *Lands Acquisition Act 1978*. The acquisition was undertaken to resolve concerns regarding the long term industrial use of the land and compensation was determined through independent valuation of the property on an 'as is' basis.

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics will hold the property for 12 months prior to reselling the land, to remove any existing use rights that may exist. The Department will consider any required works in preparing the property for sale.