LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Minister for Tourism and Culture:

Alice Springs Athletic Track

- 1. What is the current status of the Alice Springs Athletics track planned for the grounds of the Centralian Middle School?
- 2. What is the total amount of Government funding currently allocated to this Alice Springs Athletics track?
- 3. Will the Northern Territory Government be providing additional funding, as requested by Athletics NT, for constructing the Alice Springs Athletics track?
- 4. Is the Alice Springs Athletics track going to proceed as planned at the Centralian Middle School?
- 5. What is the timeframe for constructing the Alice Springs Athletics track?
- 6. When will the Alice Springs Athletics track be completed?
- 7. When will the construction of the Alice Springs Athletics track go out to tender?
- 8. Have there been any changes to the plans to construct an Athletics track at Centralian Middle School since August 2016?
- 9. Has there been any community consultation on the impact of the planned Athletics track at Centralian Middle School?
- 10. If so, when and how was that consultation undertaken? Who exactly was consulted on the construction of an Athletics track at Centralian Middle School?
- 11. Who will pay for the ongoing operational costs of the Alice Springs Athletics Track planned for Centralian Middle School?
- 12. How will the Alice Spring Athletics Track be managed?
- 13. Who will ultimately be responsible for the management and maintenance of the Alice Springs Athletics Track?

1. The Government is investing \$6.2m into sporting infrastructure in Alice Springs. As part of this commitment the Northern Territory Government approved the transfer of the balance of program from the CMS Athletics Track capital works project towards the development of the Alice Springs community sporting infrastructure commitment of \$6.2 million.

The first step of the project will be the update of the Sports Facility Master plan by the Alice Springs Town Council and the Sports Facility Advisory Committee (SFAC).

- **2.** Nil funding. Funding was transferred to the community sporting infrastructure commitment in Budget 2017, which was communicated to stakeholders.
- **3.** \$6.2m has been allocated towards community identified sporting priorities which will be determined by the findings of the updated Alice Springs Sports Facility Master plan and community consultation.
- **4.** The updated Alice Springs Sports Facility Master plan informed by community consultation will identify priority projects.
- 5. There is no timeframe for construction currently. The updated Alice Springs Sports Facility Master plan will identify priority projects.
- **6.** This is subject to the findings of the Alice Springs Sports Facility Master plan identified priorities.
- **7.** Please refer to Question 5.
- **8.** Refer to Question 1 response.
- **9.** Yes.
- **10.** The previous Department of Sport and Recreation undertook a public consultation process in 2016, which included a community forum hosted on 19 April 2016, web based feedback and individual meetings with stakeholders including the Centralian Middle School, Athletics Northern Territory and the Alice Springs Athletics Club.

- **11.** The development of an Athletics track will not proceed if it is not identified as the priority of the updated and community determined sports facility master plan.
- **12.** The development of an Athletics track will not proceed if it is not identified as the priority of the updated and community determined master plan.
- **13.** The development of an Athletics track in Alice Springs will not proceed if it is not identified as the priority of the updated and community determined sports facility master plan.