

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

### WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Environment and Natural Resources:

#### **NT Coastal and Marine Management Strategy**

1. Please advise on the progress of the Government's implementation of the NT Coastal and Marine Management Strategy.

The Territory Labor Government is proud to have delivered on its promises and is the only party that can be trusted to protect the environment. We developed and are implementing the Coastal and Marine Management Strategy, of which a number of projects have been delivered, including:

- developed and released the Limmen Bight Marine Park Plan of Management, in collaboration with the Marra traditional owners;
- released the Climate Change Response: Toward 2050 and a three-year Action Plan, which aims at building resilience to climate change impacts in Territory communities and ecosystems, including coasts and seas;
- implemented the new *Environment Protection Act 2019*, underpinning a modern and robust environmental regulatory regime for the Territory. Coastal processes, marine environmental quality and marine ecosystems are factors that will be considered during environmental impact assessment; and
- supported the Darwin Harbour Advisory Committee in the development of the Darwin Harbour Strategy, which supports the integrated management of the Darwin Harbour region's diverse environmental, social, cultural and economic values and uses.

Further priority projects are identified to commence this year.

2. How much funding has been committed to the implementation?

The Northern Territory Government is implementing the Strategy within existing budget allocations and may be subject to future budget considerations.