

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

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

NTG Acquisition of ANZAC Oval

The Northern Territory Government has previously stated its intention to acquire ANZAC Oval for the development of a National Aboriginal Art Gallery. In January 2022, the Alice Springs Council announced it would no longer stand in the way of this acquisition.

Questions:

- 1. Can the Minister confirm that the ANZAC Oval precinct will be the location of the new National Aboriginal Art Gallery?**

Yes, the National Aboriginal Art Gallery (Gallery) will be built at the Anzac Hill Precinct.

- 2. Whether the process to acquire ANZAC Oval goes ahead or not, have any other sites been under active consideration in the past 6-12 months? If so, where are these sites?**

The Anzac Hill Precinct has been Government's preferred site for several years.

- 3. If the NT Government proceeds with compulsory acquisition of ANZAC Oval, what compensation will be given to the Alice Springs Town Council?**

Compensation for the Alice Springs Town Council will be in line with the parameters of the *Lands Acquisition Act 1978*. The amount has not yet been determined.

- 4. What is the current unimproved capital value of the land as set out by the Valuer-General for ANZAC Oval?**

The unimproved capital value of Lot 678, Town of Alice Springs is \$495 000 as at July 2021.

- 5. Will the existing public car park at the front of ANZAC Oval on Wills Terrace be retained?**

Refer to Question 7.

- 6. Will access to the 50's-plus Community Centre remain in its current form, including the current separate carpark allocation for that facility?**

Refer to Question 7.

- 7. Will access to the Heritage-listed Totem Theatre remain in its current form?**

Response to question 5 – 7:

The Anzac Hill Precinct is subject to design however ample car parking will be included as part of the development of the Gallery.

The Totem Theatre and 50 Plus Community Centre will remain.

- 8. If there are any plans to change access to either the Totem Theatre and/or 50's Plus Community Centre, can the Minister outline the specific changes and how it will affect current users of those facilities?**

This is subject to the design of the Gallery. There are no current changes proposed. Both the Totem Theatre and the 50 Plus Community Centre will be consulted on any temporary disruptions as a result of construction.

- 9. Are any plans being considered to change the current lot size? Or adjust the current lot? Please provide detail.**

There may be changes to the lot size to suit the Gallery development. This is also subject to the Gallery design.

- 10. Please provide a current lot outline and surveyed drawings as it relates to current ANZAC Oval lot; and further, any overall plans that demonstrate the proposed changes.**

The Anzac Hill Precinct is subject to design. The current survey plan for Lot 678 is at Attachment A.

Survey Plan A/000001

