

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics:

Palmerston works

- 1. In the revote, you have allocated \$7.6M for "headworks to support Palmerston East". Will that include work for the new suburb of Mitchell?**

No, there are no current plans to provide headworks for the suburb of Mitchell.

- 2. You have allocated \$3.4M to "new infrastructure to mitigate flooding" in the Palmerston-Litchfield area (BP4, p28). What sort of infrastructure will this build, when will it be built and where exactly in the area are you targeting?**

Wadham Lagoon:

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics is completing works in Wadham Lagoon in two stages, stage one involved new culverts under Whitewood Road which was completed in 2017 and Stage 2 of the Wadham Lagoon flood mitigation works incorporates the upgrade of sections of the trunk drain downstream from Wadham Lagoon is commencing soon. This work includes:

- upgraded and new drainage on private land and Crown land;
- upgraded culverts under Madsen Road, Fitzgerald Road and Langton Road; and
- new underground concrete pipes to take the additional flows through 75 Langton Road; and
- upgrading existing outfall into Crown land Portion 2821.

Yarrowonga:

Culverts under Wallaby Holtze Road were delivered by the City of Palmerston in 2017. The remaining works include upgrading Tulagi Road and associated stormwater drains within the eastern Yarrowonga industrial catchment. These works will be commencing soon.

3. Referring to the superblock at Angel Road – what funding has been allocated towards the development of that block? What plans do you have for that block?

The area of undeveloped land at Angel Road is comprised of three land parcels, Lots 11201, 11202 and 11203, Town of Palmerston.

Lot 11201 covers approximately three quarters of land to the north and is set aside to the Department of Housing and Community Development. Any queries on the development of this land should be forwarded to that Department.

Lot 11202 is held under a Crown lease term which allows the developer to develop the land in accordance with the zoning – being Zone C (Commercial).

Lot 11203 is privately owned freehold land. Any development would need to be in accordance with its residential zoning of Zone MR (Medium Density).

4. Regarding the McDonalds development on the corner of Farrar Boulevard and Lambrick Avenue – what is the approximate cost of any headworks involved in that project? What investigation is underway to ensure that development meets all requirements under the Planning Act?

Condition precedents were included on the permit to ensure that future access to the site and also access during construction addressed the relevant road authority's requirements. Notably, condition precedent 2 required a Traffic Engineering Report to inform safe access/egress from the site. The development will be inspected at the completion of construction to ensure all works have been completed in accordance with the permit.

5. What requirements are in place to ensure the entrance and exit points of the drive through are designed with optimum safety measures in place (ie, safe traffic flow)?

The development of the McDonalds restaurant on Farrar Boulevard has been the subject of a traffic impact assessment and safety audit by the developer. These reports, reviewed by both the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics and City of Palmerston, informed the design and construction of the development.

The drive through component of the restaurant is well within the development, not on Farrar Boulevard with queueing designed to occur within the development. Further, an excess of queueing/waiting bays are provided by the development, about double of what is required (21 provided verses 10 required by the Northern Territory Planning Scheme).

6. Is there any budget for an upgrade to the intersection of Kirkland Road and Woodlake Boulevard, Durack? Are there any plans for upgrading the intersection?

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics undertook a planning study identifying options to upgrade this intersection. It was concluded that future transport infrastructure works in the area may have an impact on scope of the intersection upgrade however, a channelised intersection with turning pockets and median was considered a suitable option without duplicating Kirkland Road. The intersection is planned for

upgrade in the medium term in accordance with the 10 Year Infrastructure Plan.

- 7. There is an urgent need for a redevelopment around the kiss-and-go area of Durack School. Has any funding been allocated to that necessary redevelopment? What plans are in train for a redevelopment?**

This question needs to be referred to the Department of Education.

- 8. Regarding the \$1M Black Spot program funding (BP4, p32) – will any of that funding go towards upgrades to Elrundie Avenue to fix black spots at the intersection of Dwyer Avenue and Waler Road?**

There is no funding allocated for Elrundie Avenue in the \$1 million 2018-19 Program. The approved projects include the following locations:

- Victoria Highway and Bulla Community Access Road – Timber Creek
- Stuart Highway and Lindsay Street – Katherine
- Freds Pass Road Between Strangways Road and Beaumont Road – Humpty Doo
- Lee Point Road and Union Terrace – Anula
- Trower Road and Sabine Road - Millner

- 9. What funding has been allocated for Boulter Road upgrades, especially at the Vanderlin Drive end around the Milkwood Steiner school?**

Boulter Road is under the care, control and management of City of Darwin. Vanderlin Drive is managed by the Northern Territory Government.

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics regularly monitors its network to ensure the appropriate level of service is maintained, identify issues and prepare program of works on a needs

priority basis across its network. The upgrade of Boulter Road/Vanderlin Drive intersection will be undertaken with the duplication of Vanderlin Drive which is planned as a long term project in the 10 Year Infrastructure Plan 2017-2026.

10. How much did it cost to hand over Farrar Boulevard to Council? What are the plans to handover Tuckeroo and Zuccoli Parade and how much did it cost?

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics has spent \$1.15 million for the transfer of road, irrigation and landscaping of Zuccoli Parade, Farrar Boulevard, Tarakan Court, Mackillop Court and Tuckeroo Boulevard to the City of Palmerston (Council). The Council accepted the maintenance and ownership of these roads in June 2018.

Stormwater infrastructure is the only remaining item to complete the road handover. The Department is undertaking CCTV camera survey and internal easements for the stormwater infrastructure to identify all required structural and construction deficiencies for rectification. These are expected to be completed in September 2018