LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage:

The Site and Building of the National Aboriginal Art Gallery – Alice Springs

It has been publicly stated many times that the NT Government intends to build the National Aboriginal Art Gallery at the Anzac Hill Precinct in Alice Springs.

- 1. What plans has the Government made to relocate the Rugby league grounds and facilities currently at Anzac Hill?
- 2. How much will it cost to relocate the Rugby league grounds and facilities?
- 3. Where is the Government looking to relocate the Rugby League facilities?
- 4. How will the demolition of current buildings and amenities on the Anzac Oval precinct be managed?
- 5. Specifically what buildings at the current site will be demolished?
- 6. Will the Alice Springs Senior Citizens centre located adjacent to Anzac Oval be demolished?
- 7. If the Alice Springs Senior Citizens Centre is demolished, where will it be be relocated?
- 8. If the Alice Springs Senior Citizens Centre is relocated, how much will this cost?
- 9. Will any part of the Alice Springs Senior Citizens Centre be changed or impacted by the building of the National Aboriginal Art Gallery?
- 10. Will any part of the Alice Springs Youth Centre be changed or impacted by the building of the National Aboriginal Art Gallery?
- 11. Will the Totem Theatre located adjacent to Anzac Oval be impacted or changed in any way by the building of the National Aboriginal Art Gallery?
- 12. What is the unimproved capital value of the Anzac Hill Oval precinct, currently owned by the Alice Springs Town Council?

- 13. Will the Government pay the Alice Springs Town Council market value for the Anzac Hill precinct when they compulsory acquire it?
- 14. Will the Government be providing more public parking in the Alice Springs CBD to compensate for the many public carparks that will be lost at the Anzac Hill Precinct?
- 15. How many public carparks will be lost at the Anzac Hill precinct with the building of the National Aboriginal Art Gallery?
- 16. What is the current NT Government funding allocated to the National Aboriginal Art Gallery?
- 17. How much NT Government funding has been spend so far on the National Aboriginal Art Gallery?

Response to questions 1 – 17:

The Northern Territory Government is progressing the compulsory acquisition of Lot 678 Town of Alice Springs (Anzac Oval) pursuant to the *Lands Acquisition Act 1978* and has committed to fund the National Aboriginal Art Gallery (NAAG).

On acquisition:

- a new home for rugby would be developed at an alternative location in consultation with the Rugby codes; and
- the Senior Citizens, Alice Springs Youth Centre and the Totem Theatre will remain on site.

The unimproved capital value for Lot 678, which is owned by the Alice Springs Town Council is \$495 000, last determined on 1 July 2018.

Public car parking will be required to support the development at this location.

Government has allocated an initial \$50 million for the development.

Total expenditure on the NAAG from 2016-17 to 31 December 2020 is approximately \$3 million.