

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms Purick to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics:

Status of Commonwealth Land Called Kowandi

- 1. Has the NT Government written to the Commonwealth Government's finance department in relation to the land called Kowandi and if so, what was the date of the letter and who was the signatory?**
- 2. Has the NT government received a letter from the Commonwealth Government's department of finance in relation to the land called Kowandi and if so what was the date of the letter and who was the signatory?**
- 3. Has the Commonwealth, in association with the and NT Government, let a contract for ecological assessment of the land called Kowandi and if so, what was the contract work for, who was successful in the tender application and what was the contract worth?**
- 4. How many internal government and external meetings have been held by the department of infrastructure planning and logistics for the years 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021. Who were these meetings with, where were they held and are minutes available from these meetings?**
- 5. Have any briefing papers been prepared by the department of infrastructure planning and logistic for the period 2018 to 2021 in relation to the land called Kowandi and if so, are these papers available for review by external parties?**

Response to Questions 1 – 5:

The NT Government has been in discussions with the Commonwealth Government in relation to the future of Kowandi North (Section 5623, Hundred of Bagot) for many years.

The most recent letter to the Commonwealth Department of Finance was signed by the Chief Executive of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics on 28 September 2021.

There has been correspondence and meetings between the Territory, and the Department of Finance on this matter in the period 2018 to 2021.

The NT Government has not been involved with issuing a contract for ecological assessment of Kowandi North.