

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE**  
**Question Taken on Notice**

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**From:** Mr Ian Sloan

**To:** Hon Chansey Paech

**Portfolio:** Local Government

**Agency:** Chief Minister & Cabinet

**Subject:** Use of surplus funds from sale of dead man blocks and infrastructure in Southport

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**QUESTION**

In 2015, the dead man blocks at Southport were sold to recoup the outstanding rates owed to Litchfield Council. It is my understanding that the surplus funds were returned to the Northern Territory Government. Why was this money not used to improve infrastructure in Southport?