

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

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

**Pool Safety**

- 1. According to the KPIs in the Budget Papers, there were 900 swimming pool barrier safety inspections undertaken – what is the total number of eligible swimming pools in the Northern Territory?**

Inspections are undertaken when new pools and pool barriers are installed, existing pool barriers are upgraded, or changes to a pool barrier are made. Inspections may be “advice inspections” prior to or during construction or compliance inspections which ultimately result in certification. There are currently 13 719 certified swimming pools in the Northern Territory.

- 2. How many pool safety inspectors do you have on staff?**

There are three pool safety advisers located in Darwin and one pool safety adviser based in Alice Springs. These advisers travel to the regions to undertake inspections as required.

- 3. Is the consultation being undertaken for the review of the current Swimming Pool Safety laws being carried out in-house or is an external consultant being used? If external, who?**

The consultation is being undertaken as a collaborative effort with the Department leading and providing resourcing for the consultation along with an external consultant, Jeannette Button, PRButton.

- 4. What are the timeframes for the review after the consultation period is over?**

Following consideration of outcomes of consultation Government will consider what changes should be made to enhance safety outcomes for children under five years of age. Timeframes will depend on whether decisions are made that require legislative change or not.

- 5. Under the KPIs in BP3, it says there will be 10 “major land use and urban planning projects undertaken to cater for future growth”. Please list them.**

Refer to Written Question 269.

- 6. Please update us on the latest plans regarding the development of Cox Peninsula and the negotiations with traditional owners.**

Refer to Written Question 269.

- 7. Please update us on the latest plans for Weddell.**

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- 8. You expect 20 new Planning Scheme amendments to be received (KPIs) in 18/19 compared to 17 in 17/18 – what is the reasoning behind that projection?**

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