

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

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

Coolalinga Road Safety Upgrades

A fact sheet dated February 2021 on your Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL) web page states that a construction tender for the proposed Coolalinga Road safety upgrades is expected to be released in October 2021 and subsequent works expected to commence in 2022.

Questions:

1. When will the construction tender for these works be released? What has caused the delay? Will this also result in a delay in commencing the works in 2022?
2. You have already spent \$396,973.50 on the design and documentation. What is your construction budget to complete these works?
3. Do you have a budget contingency for any possible budget blowouts? How much is your budget contingency?
4. Once this project has commenced, how long do you anticipate the works that impact on traffic and pedestrians in Coolalinga, will take?
5. What changes have been made to final design documentation as shown on the DIPL web page fact sheet, since the public consultation phase?
6. Why didn't you consult the public and stakeholders about these changes?
7. In any other major capital, on-off exit-entry ramps onto a major highway would be expected. Why have you designed 3 sets of traffic lights on the Stuart Highway within a few hundred metres of each other?