LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY WRITTEN QUESTION

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

Batchelor Airstrip

The Batchelor Airport Master Plan (Concept) was released in mid-2019 and appears in the 10 Year Infrastructure Plan as a \$10 million 3-5 year project.

Questions:

- 1. When will a full feasibility study including financial costings be undertaken on the Batchelor Airport Master Plan?
- 2. When will a staging schedule be released?
- 3. Without any real costings you have estimated a total of \$10 million for all stages in the master plan. How was this amount estimated? Won't these costs blow out to far more in five years' time?
- 4. What regulations and/or restrictions are currently in place at the Batchelor Airstrip?
 - a. How do these compare to other airstrips like Wadeye and the West Daly?
- 5. What are you doing to attract the aviation industry to remain and expand at the Batchelor Airstrip?
- 6. Are there any incentives for aviation businesses to locate to Batchelor Airstrip?
- 7. Is there a plan for gamba grass removal and eradication at the Batchelor Airstrip?
- 8. Is there a plan to put full-time management in place at Batchelor Airstrip?