Councillor Martin - QoN - Adelaide Aquatic Centre

Tuesday, 12 November 2024 **Council**

Council MemberCouncillor Phillip Martin

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QUESTION ON NOTICE

Councillor Phillip Martin will ask the following Question on Notice:

Noting that work is progressing on the new Adelaide Aquatic Centre with a view to the opening the facility in about 15 months, could the Administration advise;

- '1. What is the status of traffic planning to ensure the safety and management of all vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians in and around the site
- 2. What is the planned site capacity for car and cycle parking and how does that compare to the previous arrangements
- 3. Has the State Government indicated if it will impose car parking charges and/or time limits, and
- 4. Which nearby streets in North Adelaide are expected to most impacted by higher onstreet parking demand and has it been determined how that can that be managed without adversely impacting on business, residents and their customers/visitors?'

REPLY

Current status of traffic planning

- 1. The State Government through the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) and its project team have an approved traffic management plan in place. These are supported through City Works Permits (CWPs).
- 2. The CoA maintains ongoing communication with the State Government Project Team, raising concerns and ensuring appropriate action is taken when necessary. CoA site visits are undertaken to ensure compliance with the CWPs and traffic management standards, with inspections occurring weekly or as needed.

Planned site capacity for car and cycle parking

3. On 20 June 2023, the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) presented an 'Adelaide Aquatic Centre Development' update to the City Finance and Governance Committee, which was received by Council at its meeting on 27 June 2023.

4. The presentation included the following key metrics for car parking:

Key Metrics	Original Centre	New Centre
Car Park Area	8,600 sqm	12,500 sqm
	(266 car parks)	(375 car parks)

- 5. The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) has confirmed that it will deliver 375 car parking spaces to accommodate visitors to the new Centre. This remains in line with their initial proposal and planning consents provided through the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP).
- 6. It should be noted that within the 375 spaces, there is provision for 6 electric vehicle charging points.
- 7. Access to the car park will remain via Jeffcott Road.

No proposed car parking charges and/or time limits

- 8. The State Government has not indicated that parking charges or time limits will be imposed.
- 9. The Park Lands Lease Agreement which is currently being negotiated with the State Government, contains a Park Lands Lease Agreement clause, which states that the Lessee must not impose any restrictions or limits (including charging any fees or time-related fines) in relation to the parking of vehicles on that portion of the Leased Area identified on the Plan to be set aside for parking, without the consent of Council.

Management of any higher on-street parking demand in North Adelaide

- 10. The State Government's Code Amendment for the Adelaide Aquatic Centre amended car parking provisions in the Adelaide Park Lands Zone and the Aquatic Centre Subzone of the Planning and Design Code. The amendments place less emphasis on using on street parking, as follows:
 - 10.1. Provide adequate on-site car parking taking into account the availability of on-street parking, public transport access, walking and cycling connections, and the availability of shared parking arrangements.
 - 10.2. Minimise the extent and impact of car parking on the Adelaide Park Lands through landscaping and other design strategies.
- 11. The previous Adelaide Aquatic Centre did rely on some on-street parking along Barton Terrace West and Jeffcott Street.
- 12. DIT has completed a traffic assessment for the new Adelaide Aquatic Centre.

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