MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORT, REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Question No. 334

Mr Garth Hamilton asked the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, in writing, on 04 September 2023:

In respect of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic venue infrastructure funding, outlined in the regional ministerial budget statement 2023-24:

- (1) What is the total cost of the Toowoomba Sports Ground project.
- (2) How was the Toowoomba Sports Ground selected as a preferred site.
- (3) Does the International Olympic Committee determine Olympic sites or is that a decision of sovereign Commonwealth and state governments.
- (4) When will detailed project plans be released for the Toowoomba Sports Ground project.
- (5) What is the expected: (a) start date for the project; and (b) completion date for the project.
- (6) Were other options within Toowoomba considered as alternatives to the Toowoomba Sports Ground proposed upgrade.
- (7) Has the Commonwealth considered the value for money of temporary seating proposals as opposed to alternative permanent infrastructure.

Ms King - The answer to the honourable Member's question is as follows:

The Australian and Queensland governments are working together to deliver key infrastructure for the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games (Brisbane 2032). The Australian Government has committed up to \$3.4 billion towards new and upgraded venues, including the Toowoomba Sports Ground upgrade.

A Project Validation Report is being prepared for the Toowoomba Sports Ground upgrade and will determine project details including options, costs, start and completion dates, and social and economic impacts. Stakeholder consultation will take place as part of this process.