Question on Notice

No. 2009

Asked on 7 October 2010

MR MCLINDON asked the Minister for Child Safety and Minister for Sport (MR REEVES)—

QUESTION

With reference to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Centre which has received \$3.6M in federal funding but not yet received any state funding and is still short of the funding needed to complete stage two of the centre which includes an indoor aquatic centre and caretaker's residence?

Will the Minister consider any funding opportunities to complete this state of the art regional facility?

ANSWER

The Bligh Government is committed to ensuring that Queenslanders have access to quality sporting facilities that provide opportunities for greater participation in sport and recreation.

This Government has made the tough economic decisions to enable a greater investment in sport and recreation than any other State or Territory in Australia.

Earlier this year, I announced a new suite of sport and recreation funding programs, designed to ensure greater access to more facilities around Queensland.

These programs specifically target key groups in our community that are under represented in their participation in sport and recreational activities.

The Tamborine Mountain Sports Association applied for funding under round one of the Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Program 2010 to install lighting at the Tamborine Mountain Sports Centre.

While this application was not successful, the Association was encouraged—along with all other unsuccessful applicants—to reapply under round two of the program which closed on 1 October 2010.

The Association declined to progress its application for funding under round two of the Sport and Recreation Infrastructure funding program.

The Association may be eligible for funding towards an indoor aquatic facility under future rounds of the Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Program.

I would encourage the Association to seek advice and guidance from the department in developing any future funding applications.