

## **QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**No. 1096**

**Asked on Tuesday, 27 October 2015**

**MS GRACE** asked the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries and Minister for Sport and Racing (HON W BYRNE)—

### **QUESTION:**

Will the Minister advise an update of assistance to local sports and recreation organisations recovering from the damage caused by the May floods, and in particular, how the Disaster Recovery Program has helped the organisations in the Brisbane Central Electorate?

### **ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for the Question.

The Sport and Recreation Disaster Recovery Program opened on 18 May 2015 to provide assistance to eligible sport and recreation organisations located within the Brisbane, Logan and Moreton Bay local government areas affected by the flooding and rainfall associated with the east coast low occurring 30 April 2015 to 1 May 2015 (the event).

The Program supported not-for-profit sport and recreation organisations with funding assistance to re-establish their facilities and activities after extreme natural events, including flooding and associated heavy rain.

Funding of up to \$25,000 across two categories was available for immediate clean up and re-establishment of clubs, to assist with the repair and restoration of affected items and with mitigation works to minimise future damage from similar events occurring again.

Four clubs in the Brisbane Central electorate received approved funding totalling around \$47,000, as follows:

- \$20,000 to the Brisbane Women's Hockey Association — to replace damaged fridges and freezers with top mounted motors to mitigate any potential future damage;
- \$17,937 to the Brisbane Softball Association — to hire a mini skip to remove debris and repair diamond one surface, replace surface skirting boards and raise light control boxes to mitigate future damage;
- \$4,754 to Downey Park Netball Association — to clean up courts, drains, amenities block, and canteen, replace chest freezer, repair the hot water system and court tiles; and
- \$4,310 to Brisbane City Football Club — to clean up club ground and facilities, conduct soil tests on playing fields for contamination and skip bin hire.