

Question on Notice

No. 1747

Asked on 15 November 2018

MR D PURDIE ASKED DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PARTNERSHIPS (HON J TRAD)—

QUESTION:

Will the Treasurer outline the advice from Probity Advisor, O'Connor Marsden and Associates in relation to the handling of probity issues that have arisen in the procurement phase of Cross River Rail?

ANSWER:

O'Connor Marsden (OCM) has provided expert probity advice to the Cross River Rail Delivery Authority (the Delivery Authority) as the authority responsible for delivering the Cross River Rail Project.

The probity advisory role of OCM encompasses a wide range of interactive processes within the Delivery Authority and with bidders and third parties. The probity framework developed is consistent with the Queensland Government's probity principles. OCM provides the Delivery Authority with advice, recommendations and informed points of view on best practice management of probity issues.

All queries raised around probity are dealt with independently by OCM. I am advised to date OCM have not identified any matter that adversely impacts on the probity of the process.