

Question on Notice
No. 1611
Asked on Wednesday, 16 October 2019

MR S ANDREW ASKED MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND PUBLIC WORKS; MINISTER FOR DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER FOR SPORT (HON M DE BRENNI)

Will the Minister advise on plans to fund the provision of basic seating and amenities at local community sporting venues across the electorate of Mirani?

ANSWER

Since 1 January 2015, the Queensland Government has invested \$1,393,467 in the electorate of Mirani for 12 projects including track resurfacing, lighting, amenities and field upgrades.

Currently there are no specific plans to fund basic seating and amenities in the electorate of Mirani.

Under *Activate! Queensland 2019-2029* the department will invest in infrastructure which supports getting local communities more active through the Active Community Infrastructure initiative, which opened on 25 October 2019.

With an investment of \$40 million over three years, the Active Community Infrastructure initiative will deliver around 150 projects over the next three years. The initiative aims to:

- improve accessibility and provide a greater range of functionality and adaptability of places and spaces
- increase opportunities for individuals and communities to use places and spaces
- provide places and spaces that support broader community social and wellbeing outcomes
- inspire activity in high-need communities across Queensland.

Proposals including for seating and amenities will be considered against a set of guiding principles which include partnerships, collaboration, integration, inclusiveness and sustainability. Our investment will also ensure universally designed infrastructure promoting equitable access to participation opportunities for all, including women and girls; Queenslanders who identify as LGBTIQ+; seniors and people with a disability.

Organisations are encouraged to work with their local Member of Parliament to ensure projects are a priority for their local community. The Department of Housing and Public Works, through the local Sport and Recreation Office, will then assist in the development of an Expression of Interest for projects identified as a priority.