

Question on Notice
No. 1255
Asked on 4 December 2020

MR J LANGBROEK ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (HON S HINCHLIFFE) —

QUESTION:

With reference to the Palaszczuk Government announcing on 29 September 2020, \$10m to upgrade Harrup Park redevelopment in Mackay—

Will the Minister advise (a) when the grant will be delivered, (b) the date when construction will commence, (c) the date when construction will be completed and (d) the full scope of the project?

ANSWER:

On 29 September 2020, the Palaszczuk Government committed \$10 million towards delivering Stage One of the Great Barrier Reef Arena Project at Harrup Park in Mackay.

The announcement was a key initiative of the *Mackay and Whitsunday Regional Recovery Action Plan* to support the region's economic recovery and to create local jobs.

The \$10 million Palaszczuk Government funding commitment, alongside a confirmed \$10 million Federal Government funding commitment and \$4.64 million from the Harrup Park Country Club, will deliver the first phase of the Great Barrier Reef Arena Project at Harrup Park, which once completed will build on the capacity of the venue to host major sporting events and provide lasting outcomes for the local community.

Stage One of the Great Barrier Reef Area Project at Harrup Park will deliver a new grandstand at the northern end of the main oval of the venue. The grandstand will be comprised of a new media facility, player, and match official facilities, flanked either side by modular seating stands with approximately 2000 seats and an independent roof structure providing shade.

Now that the staging has been determined, the design will be further refined in 2021 in preparation for construction. A construction start date and expected completion date are still to be determined and will be announced once confirmed.