

## Question on Notice

No. 1217

Asked on Wednesday, 13 October 2021

**MS A LEAHY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE GREAT BARRIER REEF AND MINISTER FOR SCIENCE AND YOUTH AFFAIRS (HON M SCANLON)—

### **QUESTION:**

Will the Minister advise of the engagement program and review terms of reference to be undertaken with councils in relation to ceasing the advance waste levy payments in June 2022?

### **ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for the question.

The *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011* requires that a review of the efficacy of the waste levy be undertaken by 30 June 2022.

Councils remain key partners of the State Government and the Palaszczuk Government continues to engage the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) on future levy arrangements.

Furthermore, we concur with the LGAQ's position that all levels of government must operate in a collaborative and integrated way to realise our shared ambitions to improve Queensland's performance in resource recovery and reducing waste to landfill.

We've listened to Councils and have accelerated parts of the review to provide advice by the end of the year. We continue to work in good faith with Councils on future levy arrangements.