

Question on Notice
No. 1270
Asked on 14 October 2021

Mr S Andrew asked Premier and Minister for the Olympics (Hon. A Palaszczuk)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the government's approval of the \$20m sale of the headlease on Keswick Island, why did the Queensland government never once consult or even include in its discussions the traditional owners and native title holders of the land on Keswick Island, the Yuwibara people?

ANSWER:

I can confirm that a transfer of the Keswick Island leases was completed in 2019 from Keswick Developments Pty Ltd to the company now registered as Oasis Forest Limited.

The transfer of these leases was a commercial matter involving the two parties directly involved. No conditions or terms of the leases changed upon the transfer of the leases.

Any development on the island would need to consider matters of cultural heritage significance to the traditional owners.