

Question on Notice

No. 623

Asked on 25 May 2021

MR S BENNETT ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise details of the design and the completion date of the memorial at Seventeen Seventy for those lost at sea in 2017 on the Trawler Dianne?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Burnett for the question.

This is an extremely complex and sensitive issue. The Department of Transport and Main Roads' (TMR) Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ) is continuing to work through the last of the approval processes in relation to the chosen location for the memorial. The site chosen for the memorial is within the Joseph Banks Conservation Park which is subject to a Federal Court Determination that Native Title rights and interests exist.

As such, the memorial requires an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) with the native title holders to enable the approval under native title legislation for the building of the memorial. The project is working through Crown Law to reach an agreement on the ILUA, an updated draft of which was provided to the Registered Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate for consideration in September 2020.

With regards to the design of the memorial, it has been finalised and is based on guiding principles put forward by family members of the *FV Dianne* crew. The families have also been consulted on the final design and receive regular updates on progress to keep them informed. MSQ has released a tender for the construction and has identified a preferred contractor. TMR is aiming to be completed before the fourth anniversary of the tragedy in October 2021 – subject to ILUA approval.