

Question on Notice

No. 858

Asked on 17 June 2021

MR J MADDEN ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND MINISTER FOR RACING (HON G GRACE)

QUESTION:

With reference to work having begun on the new synthetic soccer (football) pitch at the Ipswich State High School—

Will the Minister outline the cost, the name of the contractor and estimated completion date for these works as well as detailing any concurrent ancillary works that will be undertaken, such as construction of any additional grass soccer pitches and other sporting facilities?

ANSWER:

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to building fit-for-purpose learning environments that support educational outcomes.

Funding of \$700,000 (excluding GST) was approved under the School Infrastructure Enhancement program to upgrade the top oval sports field at Ipswich State High School. The Department of Tourism, Innovation and Sport also provided a funding contribution of \$650,000 (excluding GST) towards this project.

On 23 April 2021, the contract was awarded to Global Turf Projects Pty Ltd with work commencing onsite on 29 April 2021.

The project will deliver a full-size soccer field that is compliant for competition games. The scope for this project includes 24 months' maintenance of the synthetic turf by the contractor.

The scope of work involves:

- the excavation and removal of existing oval fill and upgrade to oval drainage;
- new compaction-fill for synthetic turf sub-base, and installation of shock pads under the turf; and
- laying of the synthetic sports field with line markings stitched into the field.

The project is forecast to reach practical completion in October 2021.

At this time, there are no other sporting facility projects being delivered, requested or considered by Ipswich State High School.