Question on Notice

No. 634

Asked on 23 May 2023

MR S O'CONNOR ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITIAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide (a) the yearly number of Category 3 buoy moorings in the Broadwater from 2014 to 2022 in table format, (b) the number of applicants currently on the wait list for a Category 3 mooring in the Broadwater and (c) the annual areas of expansions of navigational channels in the Broadwater from 2014 to 2022 in table format?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Bonney for the question.

(a) The number of category 3 buoy moorings in the Broadwater for the years 2014 to 2022 are listed in the table below.

Year	Category 3 Buoy Moorings
2014	78
2015	68
2016	67
2017	63
2018	59
2019	54
2020	56
2021	57
2022	54

(b) I am advised there are currently 60 individuals on the wait list for a category 3 buoy mooring in the Broadwater.

There is a buoy mooring policy in place which manages designated spaces for buoy moorings throughout the waterways. This is to ensure that we get the balance right to minimise visual pollution and maintain access for the public.

(c) I am advised there has not been any expansion of navigation channels within the Broadwater since 2014. The Broadwater has been stable, with a well-defined and established network of navigation channels, following construction of the Gold Coast Seaway and Wave Break Island in the 1980s.

The Gold Coast Waterways Authority maintains this channel network, as part of its waterways management program, in accordance with its 20-year sand management approval.