

Question on Notice

No. 122

Asked on 5 March 2024

MS F SIMPSON ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON B MELLISH)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the government marine precinct at the end of Parkyn Parade, on Mooloolaba Spit—

Will the Minister advise (a) the current status of the project, (b) what agencies are included, (c) when construction will begin, (d) how much the project will cost and (e) if the new Minister will rule out both private development on the site or increasing the height of buildings on the site, which were raised in the government's expression of interest document?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Maroochydore for the question.

The Mooloolaba Marine Operations Base (MOB) located at the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) owned Parkyn Parade site currently accommodates TMR's Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ) branch as the primary base for MSQ's Sunshine Coast area office. The Queensland Police Service (QPS), Queensland Water Police is also located here.

This site no longer accommodates marine pilots, however marine pilot vessels continue to be located at the site and accessed for marine pilot operations.

- (a) The Mooloolaba MOB concept design was originally completed in April 2022 and updated July 2023. The next phase of the project is detailed design and documentation followed by construction and delivery.
- (b) The concept design provided for the continued accommodation of MSQ and QPS, and potential future accommodation for the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, enabling compliance and safety priorities to be located at a shared site.
- (c) Once the detailed design phase is complete, a timeline for the Mooloolaba MOB development can be proposed.
- (d) Cost estimates for the project will be developed after the detailed design process is complete.
- (e) The concept design makes full use of the entire government owned site with no space for additional development.