

Question on Notice

No. 431-2025

Asked on Wednesday 30 April 2025

MR T SMITH asked the Minister for Primary Industries (HON A PERRETT)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the LNP's election commitment to provide \$12.5m for the Mossman Mill—

Will the Minister advise (a) the total number of meetings the Minister and/or the Minister's office have held with Mossman Mill since 1 November 2024, (b) work completed by the Department of Primary Industries on the Mossman Region Transition Program announced by the former Labor Government, (c) any additional work completed by the department on measures that are in addition to the previous measures announced and (d) whether the LNP election commitment funding will be honoured in the 2025-26 Queensland Budget?

ANSWER:

In accordance with Section 3.12 of the Ministerial Handbook, details my portfolio related meetings are published online at: <https://cabinet.qld.gov.au/ministers-portfolios/anthony-perrett.aspx>. Details of my Chief of Staff's meetings are also published online at <https://www.premiers.qld.gov.au/right-to-info/published-info/our-lists.aspx>.

To the end of May, I attended six meetings, and my Chief of Staff attended five meetings which are in addition to those attended with me. Furthermore, my office and I have also met on multiple occasions with Canegrowers and other stakeholders which have not been included in this count.

The Mossman Region Transition Program was a program under the former government's Department of State Development and Infrastructure.

Following feedback received from stakeholders, the Crisafulli Government has established a Mossman Advisory Committee (the Committee) chaired by the Member for Cook, David Kempton MP. The committee continues to work to support growers and the community while the future of the mill and cane growing in the region is determined. This is supported by a \$6 million commitment to ensure the viability of the 2025 season.

The Crisafulli Government has also committed \$500,000 for the Far North Queensland Cane Expansion Plan in partnership with CANEGROWERS.

The Crisafulli Government is committed to delivering the \$12.5 million investment in the Mossman region and will continue to work with all stakeholders to find a sustainable solution regarding the Mossman Mill.

The 2025-26 Queensland State Budget will be delivered on 24 June 2025.