Question on Notice

No. 610

Asked on 10 June 2025

 $\mathbf{MR}\ \mathbf{M}\ \mathbf{HEALY}\ \mathsf{ASKED}\ \mathsf{THE}\ \mathsf{MINISTER}\ \mathsf{FOR}\ \mathsf{EDUCATION}\ \mathsf{AND}\ \mathsf{THE}\ \mathsf{ARTS}\ (\mathsf{HON}\ \mathsf{J}\ \mathsf{LANGBROEK}) —$

QUESTION:

With reference to the establishment of a First Nations Cultural Centre in Brisbane and in Cairns—

Will the Minister advise (a) the status of the relevant business cases commissioned by the Queensland Government and (b) a detailed timeline for both projects?

ANSWER:

I am advised:

- (a) Detailed Business Cases for First Nations Cultural Centres in Brisbane and Cairns have been completed.
- (b) The Crisafulli government will not pursue the former Government's unfunded and undelivered First Nations Cultural Centre in Brisbane and in Cairns.

The previous Labor Government had nearly a decade, and indeed many decades prior while in office, to progress the delivery of a First Nations Cultural Centre in Brisbane or in Cairns but despite repeated announcements, glossy business cases, and endless consultations, they failed to deliver anything tangible.

The Crisafulli Government is committed to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples through a broad range of cultural and arts initiatives including.

- Continued funding of Indigenous Arts Centres across the state.
- Support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander led organisations through the Organisations Fund and Project Grants.
- Opportunities through the Backing Indigenous Arts program and the First Nations Commissioning Fund.