Question on Notice

No. 978

Asked on Thursday 28 August 2025

MR J MARTIN asked the Minister for Primary Industries (HON A PERRETT)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise (a) whether the appointment process has begun for the Biosecurity Queensland Ministerial Advisory Council and (b) if so, whether potential appointees required cabinet approval?

ANSWER:

The former Labor Government's Biosecurity Queensland Ministerial Advisory Council (BQMAC) has been formally dissolved and members have been advised.

The Crisafulli Government remains committed to engaging openly and meaningfully with stakeholders to ensure our strategic direction is informed and effective. Regular engagement activities have continued including the annual Queensland Biosecurity Partners' Forum, a program of training and peacetime exercises for industry and local government, the Biosecurity Ambassador program, and regular communications.

As the Member may be aware, the LNP's long standing Agriculture Energy Water Council has continued since the change of Government. Biosecurity is one of the many topics discussed by the Council.

Regional biosecurity engagement is a high priority for the Crisafulli Government, with investment in 100 new frontline biosecurity officers to support and mobilise stakeholders across the state to strengthen and enforce Queensland's biosecurity system.