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Mr Scott Hennessy  
Secretary  
Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works  
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## **Northern Suburbs Community Recreation Hub Stage 3 Expansion - Matters taken on Notice**

Dear Scott

I refer to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works (the Committee) public hearing on Tuesday 21 April 2026 regarding the Northern Suburbs Community Recreation Hub (the Hub) Stage 3, and provide the following advice for Matters taken on Notice.

**Question 1: Please clarify if the \$80,000 Tasmanian Art Site Scheme requirement is applicable to this project.**

### **Response to Question 1:**

The Hub Stage 3 project is an expansion of the existing Hub Stage 2 development, for which the maximum \$80,000 Tasmanian Government Art Site Scheme contribution has already been implemented. In line with the Scheme's guidance and capped funding threshold, the requirement has been fully met. Accordingly, no further obligation applies to the Hub Stage 3 expansion works.

**Question 2: Please detail whether the timber used in the Stage 2, and proposed to be used in Stage 3, is certified, and if so, the type of certification, including whether the timber is Forestry Stewardship Council certified.**

### **Response to Question 2:**

The timber used for the Hub Stage 2 is not FSC certified.

The timber sprung flooring used in the Netball component of the Hub (Stage 2 Main Building) was supplied by Britton Timbers, located in Smithton, Tasmania. Mr Shawn Britton, Director of Britton Timbers advised that their *"logs are sourced from defined forest areas which are certified under the Australian Forestry Standard AS4708:2013."* Their *"production processes, procedures and ultimately the fine timber we produce are Chain of Custody certified to AS4707:2014 through Fine Timber Tasmania (license number FTT09009). This chain assures that our timber is legally sourced from certified sustainable forest."*

The timber supplied by Britton Timbers meets the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) chain of custody standard which applies to Tasmanian forests.

The Hub Stage 3 is expected to include the same timber product for the four timber sprung courts suitable for basketball and netball.

I trust that the above information is sufficient and appreciate the time the Committee dedicated to the recent hearing.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Moloney', written in a cursive style.

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