

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates 13-16 Feb 2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1.1 Domestic Policy

Topic: Announcement by the Prime Minister to provide \$15 million for Bellerive Oval in Tasmania.

Senator: Senator Bushby

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Question:

1. What date did the department decide it would provide \$15 million for the redevelopment of Bellerive Oval in Tasmania?
2. What, if any, advice was sought from the Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development, Local Government, Arts and Sport in relation to this money?
3. Where is the funding coming from?
4. What, if any, discussions, did the department have with representatives from the Tasmanian government, or Tasmanian Federal Labor Members and on what dates?
5. Was the department aware that the Tasmanian Government would not be contributing financially to the upgrade, prior to the Prime Minister announcing the \$15 million in federal government funding for the project on January 16?

Answer:

1. The decision was taken by the Government.
2. PM&C did not seek advice from the Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development, Local Government, Arts and Sport (DRALGAS).

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3. The funding is a new appropriation and will be administered by the Office for Sport in DRALGAS.
4. PM&C has not had discussions with representatives from the Tasmanian government or Tasmanian Federal Labor Members on this matter.
5. No.