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The Honourable Ruth Forrest MLC
Chair
Legislative Council
Estimates Committee 'A'
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Dear Chair

APPROPRIATION BILLS (No.1) 2026

Thank you for your letter dated 2 June 2026, requesting additional information following examination of my portfolio by the Legislative Council Select Budget Estimates Committee 'A'. Please find the requested information below for noting.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE GROWTH Output Group 5 – Cultural and Tourism Development 5.6 Sport and Recreation

1. Can you please provide a copy of the Jack Jumpers High Performance Training Centre Lease Agreement?

As advised by Mr Barber during the Committee hearing, the proposed leasing arrangements for the JackJumpers and Jewels High Performance Training Centre, including the Head Lease and Sub-Lease, have not yet been executed. As negotiations remain ongoing, the draft lease documents are commercial-in-confidence and are therefore not available for release at this time.

2. What proportion of funding in the 5.6 line item is allocated to the Tasmania Devils Football Club across the forward estimates?

Funding has been allocated in the budget to be provided to the Tasmania Devils Football Club for the establishment and operations of the club. This represents 12.2 per cent of the total budget for Output 5.6 Sport and Recreation in the 2026–27 Budget and across the Forward Estimates.

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1. Clause 1.3(e) of the MyState Bank Arena lease agreement provides for a Government contribution of \$175,000 per annum to LK Stadiums (Tas) to support non-commercial hiring arrangements (the total lease fee charged to LK Stadiums (Tas) is \$200,000).

a. How much has been paid to LK Group per annum under this provision to date?

b. On what evidence of use of and compliance with the non-commercial hiring agreement requirements was each payment approved?

The Department of State Growth, through Infrastructure Tasmania, manages the MyState Bank Arena lease agreement. As part of the lease agreement, the Department of State Growth, on behalf of the Crown, provides a Hiring Fee Contribution of \$175,000 per annum to LK Stadiums (Tas) Pty Ltd as the lessee. The Hiring Fee Contribution is adjusted for CPI each year in accordance with base rent adjustments.

The table below shows the total amount paid to LK Stadiums (Tas) Pty Ltd for hiring fee contributions each year.

Period	Hiring Fee Contribution (excl GST)
2021-22	\$110,514 (part year from lease commencement in November 2021)
2022-23	\$186,393
2023-24	\$196,625
2024-25	\$202,033
2025-26	\$102,769 (YTD – 1 July to 31 December only).
Total	\$798,334

The Department of State Growth receives MyState Bank Arena booking information on a regular basis and makes payments to LK Stadiums (Tas) Pty Ltd only upon receipt of a valid tax invoice and confirmation that non-commercial hiring agreement obligations have been met.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nick Duigan', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Hon Nick Duigan MLC
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