

Flinders Island - Lady Barron Safe Harbour Project

Ms FINLAY question to MINISTER for INFRASTRUCTURE

This question is a matter that has been raised with me by constituents from Flinders Island regarding the Safe Harbour project at Lady Barron.

The project has been described as important to the community. It is a great opportunity for a safe haven for vessels crossing Bass Strait. It supports increased visitation to Flinders Island and to the broader Furneaux group, and also makes a significant contribution to the local economy by triggering additional private investment on the island. The state government has seen fit to make a contribution of funds, as has, as I understand, the Australian Government. There have been positive conversations between a group called the Safe Harbour Action Group and council, and they are keen to see that project delivered to the island.

I am wondering if you can provide an update to the House on details of all the funds at any time that have been committed to that project, and outline if the state is concerned that the project as described above is now not what is being proposed to be delivered to the people of the island?