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Dear Ms White

Thank you for your constituent question in Parliament on 28 November 2024 regarding local content and workforce participation in the construction of the proposed Multipurpose Stadium at Macquarie Point.

The Tasmanian Government is developing a Workforce Development Plan for the Multipurpose Stadium.

This is being developed by Keystone Tasmania working with Skills Tasmania and the Macquarie Point Development Corporation. Keystone Tasmania supports workforce development in the Tasmanian building and construction industry working in partnership with training providers and industry bodies. This workforce plan will support local participation and unique training opportunities for Tasmanians through this exciting and unique infrastructure development.

As part of the Government's procurement framework, all procurements valued at over \$50,000 are published in agency annual reports and on Treasury's website. This includes identifying specifically those contracts that are with Tasmanian businesses.

Supporting opportunities for Tasmanians will inform every major contracting decision in regards to the Multipurpose Stadium.

Our Buy Local policy requires the consideration of economic benefits to Tasmania as part of all procurements. Last year we increased this weighting to 30% of the assessment of bids for contract opportunities to assist Tasmanian businesses and suppliers to secure more government contracts.

It is expected that Tasmanian businesses and suppliers will play a major role in the construction and fit-out of the Stadium, including the supply and installation of sustainable and renewable Tasmanian timber which is expected to be used extensively throughout the facility.

Thank you for raising these matters in Parliament, I trust this information is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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