



Select Committee on the 2026 Commonwealth Games Bid

Hearing Date: 13 February 2024

Questions taken on notice

Directed to: Surf Coast Shire Council

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1. **Joe McCRACKEN, page 37**

Question Asked to Robyn Seymour:

Are you able to just provide the committee with the times and dates that you did meet with government officials, department heads or whoever it might have been? I guess names, dates, times, perhaps even a bit of a summary about what was discussed, any relevant documents, emails and that sort of thing – are you happy to provide that?

Robyn SEYMOUR: That is fine. There were not a lot of them, so we should be able to.

Response:

Date	Meeting Group Name	Surf Coast Attendee(s)
23/1/2023	Victoria 2026 Hub Delivery Partners Geelong / Djilang Working Group	SCS unable to attend
17/2/2023 9:30am – 11:30am	Victoria 2026 Hub Delivery Partners Geelong / Djilang Working Group'	Robyn Seymour
28/2/2023 9:30am – 11am	Meeting with Parliamentary Secretary for the Commonwealth Games, Darren Cheeseman	Robyn Seymour Mayor, Cr Liz Pattison
17/3/2023	Victoria 2026 Hub Delivery Partners Geelong / Djilang Working Group'	Robyn Seymour
21/4/2023 9:30am – 11am	Victoria 2026 Hub Delivery Partners	Robyn Seymour

	Geelong / Djilang Working Group'	
19/5/2023 9:30am – 11am	Victoria 2026 Hub Delivery Partners Geelong / Djilang Working Group'	Matt Taylor
16/6/2023 9:30am – 11am	Victoria 2026 Hub Delivery Partners Geelong / Djilang Working Group'	Matt Taylor
21/7/2023	Victoria 2026 Hub Delivery Partners Geelong / Djilang Working Group'	Matt Taylor

2. **Melina BATH, page 43-4**

Question Asked to Robyn Seymour:

It might just be useful for us to see, if you provide them, those costings and information. Just returning to the hockey centre, at what fine-grain point are you at? You have got the nice visual on PowerPoint. You have got an approximate updated cost from \$3.12 million. It could even be double – \$6 million or the like.

Robyn SEYMOUR: My estimate is that it is in that \$5 million to \$6 million, because it is not just the pitch -

Melina BATH: It is the car parking and facilities around that.

Robyn SEYMOUR: Exactly. Yes.

Melina BATH: Anything that you can provide to us that would actually help us advocate for you would be beneficial.

Response:

Estimated total project cost of the Surf Coast hockey facility is \$6.14 Million

Sport and Recreation Victoria confirmed the full project scope in December 2023. Following the Commonwealth Games cancellation, the scope of works for the legacy items (hockey facility) are considered more holistic and fit-for-purpose for community use and the local context, as there is less no need to accommodate the temporary event infrastructure requirements.

In relation to value – the revised scope represents a better value proposition given greater investment in fixed / legacy infrastructure compared to investment in temporary event-specific installations.