Councillor Question Time – answers to questions taken on notice*

Councillor Voss asked what Council is doing to carry out our obligations around pool fencing after the new legislation on pool fencing was introduced?

Cr Voss

Response

The Regulatory Impact Statement with details of the new swimming pool regulations have not been publicly released, however it is understood that this should occur in June 2019.

The Building Act provides for the commencement of these new regulations by 1 December 2019 if not proclaimed sooner by the Minister.

In preparation for this, officers have begun to analyse the building permit registers held by Council for records of permits issued for swimming pools and spas. Additionally, officers have begun to consider other opportunities using our aerial mapping data to identify swimming pools.

Dependent on the details of the new regulations, additional resources may be required to administer and enforce these new requirements.

*Note: answers to any questions in Councillor Question Time which were answered at the meeting are included in the minutes of that meeting.