

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 – 2017, 19 October 2016**

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**OUTCOME:** 3 – Sport and Recreation

**Topic:** Investment Allocation

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Don Farrell

**Question:**

- a) When will the ASC announce its investment allocations for 2016-17?
- b) The 2015-16 investment allocation document on the ASC website states that it was current as of June 2015. It's now late October 2016 but no investment allocation for 2016-17 has been posted on the ASC website. Has the 2016-17 investment allocation been delayed?
- c) If not, why has it not been uploaded to the website?
- d) If it has been delayed, what is the cause of that delay?

**Answer:**

- a) The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) released its investment allocations for 2016-17 on the ASC website in early November 2016.
- b) The release of 2016/17 investment allocations was delayed to November 2016 due to the process of confirming Participation allocations and final second half of the full year 2016-17 High Performance allocations.

National Sporting Organisations (NSOs) whom the ASC funds were notified in May 2016 that the balance of the second half FY2016-17 High Performance allocations would be confirmed post the Rio Olympics and Paralympics Games and that the Participation funding would be confirmed post the federal election. The NSOs were subsequently advised in October 2016 of their Participation allocation for 2016-17.

c) and d)

There has been a delay versus previous years due to the confirmation of investment allocations to take into account the results post Rio Olympic and Paralympic games for final High Performance allocations to sport and ensuring the Participation allocations were in line with available funding and the ASC's Participation Investment Categorisation Framework, that followed a transition year in 2015-16.