



Standing Committee on Planning, Transport and City Services

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023 **ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Asked by Mr Peter Cain MLA on 20 November 2023: Mr Ben McHugh took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Bus cost

MR CAIN: Thank you, Chair. Regarding the Custom Denning Element 2 electric buses, are these going to be leased or owned outright by the ACT government?

Mr Steel: They are leased but I think there is an option in the contract in the future to be able to purchase those.

MR CAIN: And what will the cost of those be compared to the cost of the existing Yutong E12s.

Mr Steel: I think the contract has been released and the contract register for that.

Mr McHugh: Yes, I think those contracts are publicly available, but I can provide that detail of bus comparison on notice if needed.

MR CAIN: Thank you.

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The four Custom Denning buses will be leased for a period of 5 years with the option to purchase at the end of the term. Residual value would be used to determine cost if the Territory chose to exercise the purchase option at the end of the lease term.

The total contract value for the Custom Denning Buses and associated charging equipment is \$3,845,577.08 ([Contract number GS0243294.120.001](#)). Individual unit pricing for the Yutong E12 and Custom Denning Element 2 has confidential text requirements and is unable to be shared.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transport and City Services

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Chris Steel', written in a cursive style.

Date:

28/11/23

By the Minister for Transport and City Services, Mr Chris Steel MLA