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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE  
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Asked by: Mr Peter Cain MLA

Addressed to: Chief Minister

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**MR CAIN:** And can you confirm which minister was responsible for the chief digital officer and obviously I think the under treasurer, would be the responsibility of the treasurer.

**Mr Leigh:** Not necessarily. The under treasurer reports to other ministers as well.

**MR CAIN:** And in this case who was the responsible minister for the chief digital officer and the under treasurer with respect to this project?

**Ms Leigh:** That is currently the Special Minister of State.

**MR CAIN:** No, at the time while this project was being undertaken.

**Ms Leigh:** This project has been undertaken over a number of years, Mr Cain, so I do not think I can answer that off the top of my head.

**MR CAIN:** The portfolio responsibility of which minister?

**Ms Leigh:** Yes, I am sorry, Mr Cain, I will—

**Mr Barr:** We will take that on notice. It would be several ministers.

**THE CHAIR:** Yes, perhaps by year and which minister.

**MR BARR:** The answer to the Member’s question is as follows:

There were several responsible Ministers over the life of the HRIMS Program. These include the Special Minister of State, the Minister for Government Services and Procurement, myself as the Chief Minister, and the Treasurer. The following table outlines when these Ministers held responsibility for the Chief Digital Officer, and Shared Services (including transactional services and ICT services). The Chief Digital Officer assumed responsibility for the HRIMS program in November 2020, when Shared Services ICT merged with the Office of the Chief Digital Officer to become Digital Data and Technology Solutions.

<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Minister</b>	<b>Dates Responsible</b>
Chief Digital Officer	Chief Minister	July 2017 – August 2019
Chief Digital Officer and Digital Strategy	Chief Minister	August 2019 – November 2020
Chief Digital Officer, Digital and Data Strategy, including Cyber security	Special Minister of State	November 2020 – June 2023
Shared services, including transactional services and ICT services	Treasurer	July 2017 – August 2018
Shared services, including transactional services and ICT services	Minister for Government Services and Procurement	August 2018 – November 2020
Shared services, including transactional services and ICT services	Special Minister of State	November 2020 – June 2023

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By the Chief Minister, Andrew Barr MLA