



Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2021-2022 ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Asked by Mr Peter CAIN MLA on 2 November 2022: Mr Iain Anderson, ACT Ombudsman, took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

THE CHAIR: Just back to the surge team, did you—what are the details of those contracts, are they permanent staff or they were contracted to just come in for a time?

Mr Anderson: They were typically contractors coming in for a period of time.

THE CHAIR: So are you able to take those—provide those contracts and the terms of them? Get a bit of a breakdown of that surge team, how long they were engaged for, was it just one uniform contract provider? Just a simple summary chart of that team, I guess, and its contracted arrangements.

Mr Anderson: I will take on notice that question.

ACT OMBUDSMAN: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

Our answer to QToN JACS-25 provides the amounts the Office allocated in its internal budget for the surge workforce. The table below shows the actual contract dates, noting recruitment processes and labour market conditions meant the first contractor did not commence until early-December 2021.

No.	Position	Commenced	Contract End Date	Contracted value (inc GST)	Labour hire firm
1.	APS 4	10 Jan 2022	30 June 2022	\$59,297	DFP Recruitment Services
2.	APS 5	31 Jan 2022	30 June 2022	\$60,000	Beaumont & Beaumont

3.	APS 4	6 Dec 2021	30 June 2022	\$59,081	DFP Recruitment Services
4.	APS 5	7 March 2022	30 June 2022	\$46,264	Beaumont & Beaumont
5.	APS 4	10 Jan 2022	30 June 2022	\$59,297	DFP Recruitment Services
6.	APS 4	2 May 2022	4 Nov 2022*	\$47,696	Hudson Global Resources Australia
7.	APS 5	31 Jan 2022	30 June 2022	\$65,000	Hays Personnel Services
8.	APS 5	16 May 2022	5 Nov 2022*	\$53,780	Hudson Global Resources Australia
9.	APS 5	31 Jan 2022	30 June 2022	\$65,000	Hays Personnel Services
10.	APS 4	2 May 2022	4 Nov 2022*	\$67,927	Hudson Global Resources Australia
11.	APS 5	31 Jan 2022	30 June 2022	\$41,000	Hays Personnel Services
12.	APS 5	31 Jan 2022	30 June 2022	\$65,000	Hays Personnel Services
13.	APS 4	31 Jan 2022	30 June 2022	\$55,000	Hays Personnel Services
14.	APS 4	31 March 2022	30 June 2022	\$47,000	Hudson Global Resources Australia
15.	APS 5	2 May 2022	4 Nov 2022*	\$74,632	Hudson Global Resources Australia
16.	APS 4	2 May 2022	4 Nov 2022*	\$67,927	Hudson Global Resources Australia
Total					\$933,901

**Note: Some contracts extend beyond the FY; the value of the contracts from 1 July 2022 accounts for the difference between the \$840,000 reported in QToN JACS-25 and the total reported above.*

Note: The budget figure in QToN JACS-25 of \$840,000 is exclusive of GST, whereas the cost of the contracts (above) includes GST.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Signature: 

Date: 16 Nov 2022.

By the Acting ACT Ombudsman, Ms Penny McKay