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Mark Parton  
Chair  
Select Committee on Estimates 2023-24

Dear Mr Parton *HAB: L*

I wish to provide a clarification to the record on information provided to the Select Committee on Estimates 2023-24 by ACT Policing during the 19 July 2023 Budget Estimates hearing, under my Police portfolio.

I refer to a question asked by Ms Clay MLA (Proof Hansard Page 315-316) regarding police referrals to restorative justice. The information provided to the Committee advised that ACT Policing diverted 106 members of the community to the Restorative Justice Unit.

ACT Policing have undertaken an audit and have identified that the number of referrals provided was incorrect. ACT Policing diverted 91 people to Restorative Justice in the 2022-23 financial year. This includes 69 young people and 22 adults comprising of 3 First Nations people. Restorative Justice referrals are decreasing over time, this is a consequence of the Case Management approach adopted by ACT Policing, ensuring higher quality of referrals.

With your agreement, I would be grateful if consideration could be given as to how the final transcript could be updated to reflect this clarification.

Yours sincerely

  
Mick Gentleman MLA  
Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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