



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2024-2025**

Ms Nicole Lawder MLA (Chair), Ms Suzanne Orr MLA (Deputy Chair),  
Miss Laura Nuttall MLA

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

Asked by: Ms Nicole Lawder MLA

Addressed to: Public Trustee and Guardian

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In relation to: Rent costs

Hearing Date: 1 August 2024

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Answer Due Date: 7 August 2024

**THE CHAIR:** Is it correct that, in your previous office in the city, your rent was three times as high as the per capita ACT PS staff average for the premise?

**Mr A Hughes:** I would have to check the exact data and come back to you on notice on that. But my understanding is that it is higher than the per staff average.

**THE CHAIR:** You will take that on notice?

**Mr A Hughes:** Happy to do that.

Mr Aaron Hughes: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

In 2023-24, the annual rent for the Public Trustee and Guardian's tenancy at 221 London Circuit was \$565,608.00. This equates to \$8,977.90 per FTE employee. Rent is not the only cost associated with a tenancy however other costs can fluctuate from year to year.

The standard cost allocation for an ACT public servant under the Standard Costing Parameters and On Costs Guide is \$7,388.00.

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Signature:

Date: 7 August 2024

By the Public Trustee and Guardian, Mr Aaron Hughes