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Question to the Minister for the Arts and Heritage –

In relation to Watson Arts Centre _ Design and documentation work for the 5 Studios Projects at the Watson Arts Centre delayed by at least six month due to “minor delays in the tender process”:

1. What were the “minor delays in the tender process”?
2. What is the estimated total cost for the design and documentation project?
3. How much will the finished project cost?

Mr Stanhope: The answer to the Member’s question is as follows:

1. The tender process commenced at the end of the 2008 calendar year, thus spanning the Christmas shut down period. This combined with staff leave delayed the process.
2. The contracted cost of design and documentation is \$183,950, as well as an additional \$13,200 for internal ACT Procurement Solutions appropriation. It is anticipated that the actual cost will be less than the contracted cost.
3. The total project cost for the Watson Arts Centre additional studios is estimated to be \$1.04m. This includes the above design and documentation costs, superintendency, and construction.

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