



Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2023–2024

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Mr Thomas Emerson MLA

Addressed to: Marisa Paterson MLA

Reference: Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence/Community Services Directorate

Hearing: 10 February 2025

In relation to: Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence

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Answer Due: 25 February 2025

- (1) Turning our minds now to prevention, feedback from advocacy groups and service providers routinely cites existing gaps in the prevention framework. What specific policy or structural reforms are being considered to reduce the incidences of family, domestic and sexual violence, given ACT Policing has reported a 35 per cent increase in incidents since 2019?

Marisa Paterson MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- (1) The ACT Government is developing the ACT Domestic, Family, and Sexual Violence Strategy to provide a comprehensive, whole-of-government and whole-of-community approach to preventing and responding to domestic, family, and sexual violence.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Social Policy

Signature:

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