



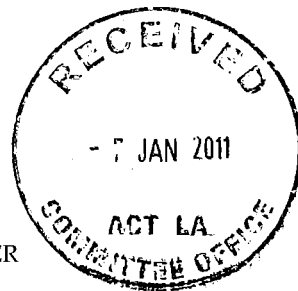
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MEMBER FOR MOLONGLO

QON 51

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2009-10

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING HEARINGS

Asked by Mr Hargreaves on 19 November 2010: Commander David McLean performing the duties of Chief Police Officer took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 19 November 2010, Page 98

In relation to: Police Scouts

Request for an update on Police Scouts

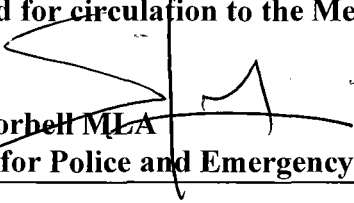
Simon Corbell MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The ACT Police Scouts is formed under a 2007 deed of agreement between the AFP and the Scout Association of Australia. The objectives of the group are to 'engage high risk youth' whilst offering them formal participation in the scouting movement. In October 2010, the Crime Prevention unit commenced a strategic and operational review of the ACT Police Scouts. The review revealed very low membership numbers, none of whom meet the original objective of 'engaging high risk youth'.

ACT Police provide recurrent funding support from Crime Prevention's *New Initiative* allocations to the value of \$5,000 annually as well as an ongoing committee membership. AFP Ceremonial and Recognition have developed a 'police' badge. The delivery of the material is provided by that team. ACT Policing is currently exploring the feasibility of offering this badge to all ACT Scouts.

A range of proposals has been put forward and discussed between ACT Policing, the Scout Association of Australia and the ACT Police Scouts to refresh or provide alternatives to the Police Scouts as a diversionary program. ACT Policing is committed to the ongoing support of this activity in whatever form it may take in the near future.

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Q. Nos 52, 53 & 54

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QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING HEARINGS

Asked by Mr Hargreaves on 19 November 2010: Commander David Mclean, performing the duties of Chief Police Officer took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 19 November 2010, Page 100

In relation to: Woden Police Station

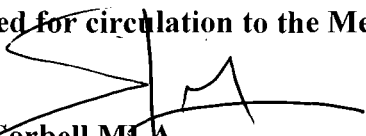
What was the funding for the Woden Police Station?

How does the funding for number of staff, number of cells, number of working stations etc for Woden Police Station compare with that of the Belconnen Police Station?

Simon Corbell MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

- The total cost of the Woden Police Station was \$8.8 million GST inclusive.
- Woden houses 87 FTE working different shift patterns.
- The Belconnen Police Station has been designed to house approximately 130 FTE working a variety of shift patterns.
- Both stations were designed with 5 cells.
- The total floor area of the Woden Police Station is approximately 2,400sqms.
- The total floor area of the Belconnen Police Station is approximately 3,200sqms.

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- Other issues to consider when comparing the two stations are:
 - There has been considerable escalation in construction costs since Woden was designed.
 - There was minimal site excavation at Woden.
 - Woden was built in the midst of a labour shortage. There was more capacity in the market to respond to tenders etc.
 - Woden has no Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) initiatives included in its design and planning. Belconnen had ESD included as a major element of the design brief.



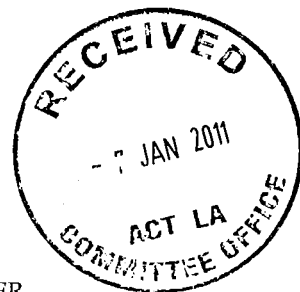
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QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING HEARINGS

Asked by Mr Rattenbury on 19 November 2010: Commander David McLean, performing the duties of Chief Police Officer took on notice the following question(s):

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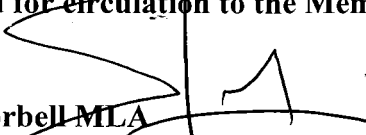
In relation to: Amendments to Annual Report: Complaints against police

Mr Rattenbury noted that on page 36 the number of established complaint issues against police is showing as 45 or below. Mr McLean stated that a correction has been made to the online copy of the Annual Report. The number 45 represents the number of individuals against whom complaints have been made. The annual target rate for this indicator is also incorrect. The committee requested a copy of the correct figures.

Action: ACT Policing to provide committee with correct figures

Simon Corbell MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The target for the number of established complaint issues against police (Measure 19) was published in the 2009-2010 Annual Report as 45 or below (page 36). This target was calculated based on a three year average of previous performance against this measure and published in the 2009-2010 ACT Policing Purchase Agreement in August 2009.

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The Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) audits ACT Policing's Performance against the Purchase Agreement each year. When evaluating ACT Policing's final performance data for 2008-2009, ANAO found errors with the way in which ACT Policing were reporting on the number of established complaint issues against ACT Policing staff (Measure 19). ACT Policing sources this data from the AFP Professional Standards portfolio. In 2008-2009 the data for this measure mistakenly counted the number of persons with established complaints, rather than the number of established complaint issues. One person can have more than one established complaint issue. As a result, the number of established issues against police increased from 21 to 65.

The final result for this measure was published correctly in the 2008-2009 ACT Policing Annual Report. However, the error was discovered after the 2009-2010 ACT Policing Purchase Agreement was finalised, so unfortunately the calculation of the 2009-2010 target for this measure was already published based on incorrect 2008-2009 data.

The data published in the 2009-2010 Annual Report against this measure is correct, with 87 established issues against police. The target in 2009-2010 should have been 65 or less, not 45 or less. Irrespective of the error, ACT Policing still would have failed to meet the target in 2009-2010.

The target for this measure in the 2010-2011 ACT Policing Purchase Agreement is now based on a three year average using the correct figures. The target for 2010-2011 is 72 established complaint issues against police, or less.



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QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING HEARINGS

Asked by Mr Rattenbury on 19 November 2010: Commander David McLean, performing the duties of Chief Police Officer took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 19 November 2010, Page 105

In relation to: Use of tasers

Mr Rattenbury spoke about the use of tasers and use of force and referred to a weblink in the Annual Report. Mr McLean stated he did not think that information was publicly available but he would take a closer look at the weblink.

Simon Corbell MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The AFP is committed to meeting its Freedom of Information (FOI) obligations.

Currently the AFP does not publicise use of force policy and governance within public fora such as the internet.

A key driver behind this position is the safety of operational police officers, in that its release may disclose operational methodology.

Given recent FOI reforms the AFP will be required to review this position by the 1st May 2011.

Dependant upon the outcomes of this review, additional information may be subject to public release.

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The weblink was originally included in the electronic version for internal AFP consumption. Its appearing on the external website version was inadvertent. It does not appear at all in the hard copy version.



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QUESTION ON NOTICE

The Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety asked the Attorney General, upon notice, on 6 December 2010:

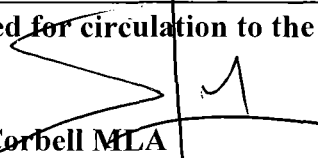
Further to discussions about accommodation and the buddy system:

57. Were the cells at the AMC designed for one or two occupants?
58. How many cells were designed for one or two occupants?
59. How many accommodate two occupants under a buddy system?
60. The ACT Department of Health is responsible for mental health matters at the AMC. Who is making decisions regarding buddy arrangements for prisoners at-risk?
61. What are the criteria for decision-making on the buddy system?
62. How many cells house two occupants under a buddy system and how many house two outside of the buddy system?

Further to discussions about recidivism:

63. How many prisoners at the AMC are former clients of the Quamby Youth Detention Centre or the Bimberi Youth Justice Centre, by gender, Indigenous / non-Indigenous status, and ethnicity?
64. How many people have been transferred from Bimberi to the AMC under sentence?

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Attorney General

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Simon Corbell MLA – the answer to the Member's question is as follows:

57. Some cells at the AMC were specifically designed for one or two occupants.
58. All cell block cells at the AMC were designed so that two bunks can be installed. The sentenced cell block has ten double cells, there are 34 double cells in the remand cell block and there is one double cell in the Crisis Support Unit.
59. The AMC does not have a buddy system in place as such; however there is provision for prisoners to be accommodated in a shared cell under the *Shared Cell Policy*.
60. In accordance with the *Shared Cell Policy*, the decision to accommodate a prisoner in a single or shared cell is made by the area CO2, on a case by case basis. In accordance with the *Management of Prisoners in the Crisis Support Unit Policy*, the Crisis Support Unit will be used to accommodate prisoners who have engaged in suicide or self-harming behaviour or who, in accordance with the *Prisoner at Risk Policy and Procedure*, have been assessed as being 'at risk'.
61. As outlined in the *Corrections Management (Shared Cell) Policy 2009*, the following factors must be considered when making a decision to accommodate prisoners in a shared cell:
 - operational requirements;
 - the prisoners' preference;
 - any perceived or potential threat posed by one prisoner to the safety of the other;
 - the vulnerability of one prisoner to abuse by the other;
 - the capacity for one prisoner in a shared cell to offer support to the prisoner with whom they are sharing;
 - any observed interaction between the prisoners;
 - escapees should not be accommodated together;
 - a prisoner who is subject to a loss of privileges regime should not be placed in a shared cell;
 - upon request, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander prisoners should be accommodated together;
 - upon request, family members of the same gender should be accommodated together;
 - prisoners with shared religious or cultural practices should where practical be accommodated together;
 - a prisoner who is unable to speak English should be placed with a prisoner who would be able and willing to assist them;

- prisoners in a time of stress or crisis (for example, a person being sentenced);
 - the medical requirements of either prisoner;
 - any information gathered through Intelligence;
 - any information in each prisoner's file; and
 - if the prisoner is conducting their own legal defence, the risk of confidential documents being exposed.
62. As previously stated, there is no buddy system in place at the AMC. As of 15 December 2010 the following number of shared cells held two occupants: seven in the Sentenced Cells, 16 in the Remand Cells and one in the Crisis Support Unit.
63. ACT Corrective Services does not receive information from Youth Justice regarding former clients of the Youth Justice correctional system, therefore it is unknown how many prisoners at the AMC have previously spent time at Quamby Youth Detention Centre or Bimberi Youth Justice Centre.
64. Four prisoners have been transferred from Bimberi to the AMC, in accordance with Section 111 of the *Children and Young People Act 2008*.



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Q. No 65, 66 & 67.

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QUESTION ON NOTICE

The Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety asked the Attorney General, upon notice, on 6 December 2010:

65. How does the project link with the Healthy Communities project run by the Health Department or are they the same program?
66. How much have the Ainslie Avenue programs cost?
67. After Ainslie, are there other areas earmarked for the Project to work with?

Simon Corbell MLA – the answer to the Member's question is as follows:

65. The High Density Housing project engages a number of agencies, including ACT Health, to provide important support and services to the residents of Kanangra court and the broader Ainslie Avenue community. The High Density Housing Project and the Healthy Communities Initiative are separate activities that have common goals. For example, RecLink, the organisation driving the High Density Housing project, in connection with the Healthy Communities Initiative and Directions ACT, undertake a monthly bridge to bridge event called the Run, Roll or Walk. The RecLink project manager has also been working closely with the Healthy Communities Coordinator on a range of activities including a community garden and there are plans to develop further projects that will continue to encourage residents to exercise.
66. From 1 November 2006 to 31 December 2010 the program has cost \$240,000.
67. There are no other areas earmarked for this project at this time. However, the project has provided the Government with a model that may be transferable to other high density housing locations within the ACT.

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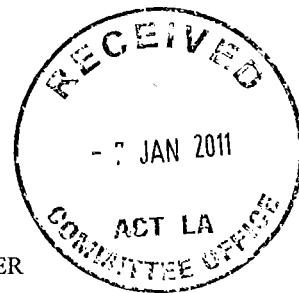
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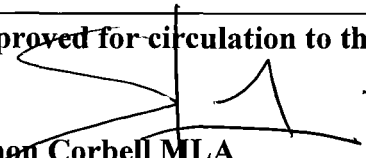
Table 17 on page 39 records there were 74 civil partnerships registered during the last financial year.

- 68. Does ORS record the breakdown of ceremonies compared to paper based registrations? (ie registrations under section 8BA (ceremony) compared to registrations under section 8 (paper based?))
- 69. If so, what is the breakdown?
- 70. If not, can this be recorded in future reporting periods?

Simon Corbell MLA – the answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- 68. Yes.
- 69. Of the 74 civil partnerships registered in the 2009/10 financial year, there were eight (8) civil partnerships registered with a ceremony compared to 66 paper based registrations.
- 70. Future reporting will provide a breakdown of the number of civil partnerships registered having ceremonies compared to paper-based registrations.

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