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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
23 February 2021

Asked by LEANNE CASTLEY MLA:

In relation to:

MS CASTLEY: That is you. Perfect. How much money was spent on Canberra Day last year?

Mr Triffitt: \$60,000 is budgeted for the delivery of Canberra Day as part of the Enlighten Festival.

MS CASTLEY: Yes. As a part of Enlighten. Okay. And do we know—can you give me the figure of how many people attended?

Mr Triffitt: I will have to confirm. I believe the figure is around 3,000. But I might have to take that on notice and confirm.

TARA CHEYNE MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

Crowds at the Canberra Day 2020 event between 11.00am and 4.00pm were low compared to previous years, with approximately 500 people in attendance during this period. However, the programmed activity in the Enlighten precinct from 4.00pm onwards (taking in the final night of Illuminations) had a high estimated attendance of 11,206, with the Canberra Balloon Spectacular attendance estimated as 16,500 in the morning. This provided a total estimated attendance of 28,206 for Canberra Day activities. The \$60,000 budget for Canberra Day funded both the daytime and the evening programming.

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By the Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tara Cheyne MLA



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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
23 February 2021

Asked by LEANNE CASTLEY MLA:

In relation to:

MS CASTLEY: I have a supplementary, if I can. How much did it cost to do the market research in the first place?

Mr Barr: Very little, but I will take that on notice.

MS CASTLEY: Thank you.

ANDREW BARR MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The actual expenditure to undertake the Eco-Lodge Feasibility and Concept Design Project was \$157,000. The Market Sounding process formed part of this project and did not incur any additional expenditure.

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Date: 2. 3. 21

By the Minister for Economic Development, Andrew Barr MLA



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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
23 February 2021

Asked by LEANNE CASTLEY MLA:

In relation to:

MS CASTLEY: Perfect. And you mentioned start-ups, sort of, helping start-ups become businesses, how many of those businesses actually got launched?

Ms Arthy: I would have to take that one on notice because Canberra Innovation Network has that but we can provide that information for you.

MS CASTLEY: Okay, yes please, thank you, that would be great.

ANDREW BARR MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

Information on the number of start-ups launched through the Canberra Innovation Network (CBRIN) is not collected. Entrepreneurs enter the innovation ecosystem at many different points.

CBRIN assists entrepreneurs and business innovation at different stages in the business development cycle including the early idea stage and commercialisation, scaling up and after the business is established through a range of support activities.

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