

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2022-2023

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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

JAMES MILLIGAN MLA: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

Gungahlin JESC

For the Gungahlin JESC, the 2022-23 BO p. 267 under major projects, no further details given for the work to be undertaken on the Gungahlin JESC; but then on p. 329 there is a reduced amount.

- (1) Can you explain why the numbers given on p 329 of the Budget Outlook and p. 35 of the JACS Budget Statement are different in every column for both the Budgeted appropriations for this year and the forward estimates for the next two years? There is a discrepancy of \$308K in total?
 - (a) Can you explain why these numbers are so different from what was given last year in the Project Total of \$8,227?
 - (b) What was the 2021-22 Estimated Outcome for this project?
 - (c) What are the Cessation expenditures mentioned on p. 31 and p. 33
 - (d) What do the revised funding profiles mean on p. 32 and 33?
 - (e) Why was there a transfer from the Territorial to controlled capital injections for the amount of \$370? How does this impact the budgeted amount for this project?
 - (f) The Project was obviously pushed out another year, as the estimated spending of over \$6 million for this year is now pushed out to next year. When can the people of Gungahlin expect to see their new Police station?

Mick Gentleman MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: -

- (1) The variance of \$0.308m is due to a recognition of resources received free of charge in the JACS budget statements for Major Projects Canberra's services on this project for which they have been directly appropriated. The full budget for this project is included in the Budget Outlook whereas only net appropriation is included in the JACS Budget Statements (excluding resources received free of charge).
 - (a) \$8.227m is the total project value over 4 years from 2021-22 to 2024-25. \$7.930m is the remaining funding for the project over 3 years from 2022-23 to 2024-25.
 - (b) The 2021-22 Estimated Outcome for this project was \$0.297m.
 - (c) The cessation expenditures mentioned on p. 31 and p. 33 relate to adjustments to base budget in 2025-26. Funding for this project ends in 2024-25.
 - (d) The revised funding profiles on p. 32 and 33 relate to transfer of funding between years to align with the expected expenditure profile for the project.

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- (e) The \$0.370m transfer from the Territorial to controlled capital injections relates to funding for preliminary design for new premises for ACTAS and ACTF&R in the Gungahlin region which should be Controlled capital injections. The funding was originally included in Territorial capital appropriation. This is a neutral transfer between appropriations, hence no impact on the budgeted amount for this project.
- (f) The budget appropriation for the project includes capital funding for the refurbishment of the Gungahlin JESC to provide additional space for ACT Policing as an interim stage in a phased solution. This will be made possible with the relocation of the ACTRFS and ACTSES from the facility, which is expected to occur during 2023.

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By the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Mick Gentleman MLA