



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2013-2014

ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mr Coe - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

Mr Sullivan: We will have that on notice as well then. That one is on notice.

Mr Coe: It is a list of the DA submissions to ACTPLA.

The Chair: You will take that on notice?

Mr Sullivan: Yes

(Reference pg 204 of Transcript)

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

I am advised that the following is a comprehensive list of development application and related documents which ACTEW Corporation has made to ACTPLA and other ACT and Commonwealth Government Agencies in relation to the construction of the Cotter Dam project.

Formal Statutory Planning Documents

Licences

- Licence to take water under the *Water Resources Act 2007* – 21st February 2008
- Application for Licence on unleased Territory Land – Hard Rock Sampling – 9th October 2008
- Cover letter unleased land licence - Signed 13th August 2009
- Application for a Licence to use unleased Territory land - Signed 13th August 2009
- Application for licence to fee - cheque 12th August 2009
- Application for the grant of a licence - Fax memo from ACTPLA forwarding receipt of fee payment – 14th August 2009
- Application for a licence to use unleased territory land- Receipt of fee payment – 14th August 2009

Amended Dam Safety Code

- Cover letter signed, Andrew Barr MLA – 9th September 2008
- Amended Dam Safety Code – September 2008
- Short discussion on reasons behind the modification of the code.



EIS Documentation

- Request for Scoping document – 4th April 2008
- Letter regarding extension of time for the Final Scoping Document, author ACTPLA – 31st May 2008
- Letter of concern over notification of extension, author ACTEW – 13th June 2008
- Letter in response to ACTEW's concerns, author ACTEW – 20th June 2008
- Final Scoping Document – 30th June 2008
- Cover letter, attached table of contents and document map. Seeking written endorsement of the document structure – 9th September 2008
- Proposed Table of Contents & Document Contents Map – 9th September 2008
- Letter from ACTPLA – agreed to accepting the Draft EIS in the structure as provided in the attachments to letter dated 9th Sept. – 15th September 2008
- Cover letter to the Submission of the Draft EIS – 29th September 2008
- Cover letter to ACTPLA's response to the Draft EIS – 27th November 2008
- Table of ACTPLA's comments in response to the Draft EIS – 27th November 2008
- Letter thanking ACTEW for a copy of the Draft EIS – 27th November 2008
- Cover letter to the Submission of the Final EIS – 16th February 2009
- Cover letter to the Submission of the Final EIS, including signed stamp acknowledging submission – 17th February 2009
- Letter to ACTPLA regarding the critical nature of this project - following Sub. of Final EIS - 23rd February 2009
- Letter from ACTPLA requesting a 224 – plus table of additional information requested – 28th April 2009
- Cover letter to 224 submission – 8th May 2009

EPBC Referral Documentation

- Cover letter and Referral under the EPBC Act 1999 – 7th October 2008
- Receipt of referral – 14th October 2008
- Decision of referral – 12th November 2008
- Record of decisions – 12th November 2008

PER Documentation

- Final PER Guidelines – 17th February 2009
- Letter thanking Mr John Koehn for assistance in peer reviewing – 3rd March 2009
- Letter thanking Mr John Harris for assistance in peer reviewing – 3rd March 2009
- Letter thanking Mr Ian Moore for assistance in peer reviewing – 3rd March 2009
- Letter thanking Will Osborne for assistance in peer reviewing – 3rd March 2009
- Cover Letter for the Submission of the Draft PER – 16th April 2009

- DEWHA – Direction to Publish, PER + Publication requirements – 19th July 2009
- Cover letter accompanying the submission of the Final PER – 21st August 2009
- DEWHA 2008-4524 Proposed Approval Notice 1 October 2009
- DEWHA request for additional information – 14th October 2009
- ACTEW response to request for additional information – 15th October 2009
- DEWHA revision of draft Condition 2 – 16th October 2009
- ACTEW acceptance of revised Condition 2 – 19th October 2009
- DEWHA ECD PER Approval Notice - 22 October 2009

Heritage Documents

- CMP for Stage One Geotechnical Testing for the Enlarged Cotter Dam – 16th May 2008
- CMP for the Construction of Artificial Fish Habitat in the Cotter Reservoir – 16th May 2008
- Heritage Unit Advice – Artificial Fish Habitat, Area 2 – 8th July 2008

Agency Consultation

- National Capital Plan Advice – 30th January 2008
- ACTPLA – Scheduled Maintenance Work proposed on existing electricity network – 18th June 2009

Development Application Documents

- Formal request for requirements for DA for upgrade & maintenance electricity network – 25th May 2009
- Letter to ACTPLA regarding PCL access to proposed data line connection – DA will be lodged regarding this shortly – 16th June 2009
- Cover letter to ECD Development Application – 3rd July 2009
- DA cheque to ACTPLA – 3rd July
- Signed ECD DA Form – 3rd July 2009
- Receipt of DA cheque – 7th July 2009
- DA form 1D for a proposed new fibre optic telecommunications cable – 29th July 2009
- Cover letter and statement against relevant criteria +attachments, supporting DA for a proposed new fibre optic telecommunications cable – 29th July 2009
- Letter from ACTPLA confirming Lodgement of Casuarina Sand DA - 27th July 2009.
- Cover letter signed and stamped by ACTPLA confirming lodgement of Data line DA – 29th July 2009.
- Letters advising property owners ACTEW Corp. and ACT Electricity and Water Authority of the lodgement of a DA – 14th August 2009
- ACTPLA Notice of Decision – 16 September 2009

Submissions to ACTPLA on the Draft EIS

- ACT Health Submission – 6th November 2008
- ACT Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee (NRMAC) Submission – 7th November 2008
- Conservation Council Submission – 7th November 2008
- Scouts Australia – ACT Branch – 9th November 2008
- TAMS, Environment and Recreation Submission – incorrectly dated 4th March 2009
- Stephen Young – no date given
- Jack Kershaw – 17th October 2008
- John & Julia Bell – 1st November 2008
- Sandra Burr – 2nd November 2008
- Dr Melanie O'Flynn – 8th November 2008
- John Guth – 10th November 2008
- Cathy Banwell – 10th November 2008
- Fia Cummings – 10th November 2008
- Janet Booth – 10th November 2008

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Mr Hanson - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

Mr Hanson: Thanks very much. What I would like, if I could is at each stage of the process- at various stages you got plans which were finalised or DA's submitted; just the dates of those and the price of each of those?

(Reference pg 204 of Transcript)

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:--

A comprehensive list of development application and related documents and their dates which ACTEW Corporation has made to ACTPLA and other ACT and Commonwealth Government Agencies in relation to the construction of the Cotter Dam project was provided to Mr Coe in relation to his QToN E13- 156.

I am advised by ACTEW that these Development Applications do not include pricing information.

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Mr Smyth - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

(Reference pg 208 of Transcript)

Mr Smyth - And the original projected end of construction?

Mr Sullivan: let me check that. I think it was Christmas 2011 but I will take that on notice. It was the second half of 2011, I think.

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The original planned completion date for the project was December 2011.

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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
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Asked by Mr Coe on 17 June 2013 : Mr Barr took on notice the following question:

Ref: Estimate Hansard Transcript 17 June 2013, Page 209]

In relation to: Final Construction Plans for Dam

Mr Coe: I have a question about the construction planning process, as distinct from the design plan or development application process. Is there such a thing as a final construction plan?

Mr Sullivan: There are a number of construction plans. The documentation on the dam's construction and design would not fit in this room but can be compressed to CD's and you can have it.

Mr Coe: Yes, please.

Mr Sullivan: Whatever we can give you, because it is still a fluid thing---the planning and construction processes behind the dam. I will take that on notice. I will check with the construction partners, who have some rights over it. But I have no problem in people understanding the construction process of the dam. It would be good.

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:--

I am advised that ACTEW is not in a position to pass the detailed documentation on the dam's construction and design specifications to the Committee for security reasons. ACTEW has however offered to provide the Committee with an in camera briefing by the Chief Engineer on the basis that the information would be treated as "Security- in- Confidence" and not provided to or made available to any other party.

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By the Treasurer, Mr Andrew Barr MLA



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Mr Hanson - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

Mr Hanson: The outcomes of those meetings?

Mr Sullivan: The outcomes go to the business of those three partners with us. I will have a look and seek some advice. But that is my preliminary view, and I would be wrong to just say, "I'll take it on notice", and then come back and say no. My view would be that no, it would not be released.

(Reference pg 211 of Transcript)

Mr Barr: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

I am advised that ACTEW is not able to provide minutes of the Alliance Leadership Group of the Bulk Water Alliance's (BWA) Program Management Team meeting minutes as this information is commercial-in-confidence to the Alliance partners.

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Mr Hanson - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

Mr Hanson: What is the other increase attributable to? Have you got a breakdown of that?

Mr Sullivan: From the time of the 363 to 405, we put out the estimate of why it had increased. I will do it again for you.

Mr Hanson: Could you provide that? Thanks. Does that break it down in its components.

Mr Sullivan: Not in a forensic way. It breaks down the components.

(Reference pg 212 of Transcript)

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

As noted in a motion in the ACT Legislative Assembly on 21 March 2012, the Enlarged Cotter Dam (ECD) project was identified as being under budget pressure – due to the impact of rain and flooding events.

The ACTEW Board subsequently approved an increase in the ECD project budget from \$363m to \$404.7m on 24 April 2012 and the details were tabled in the Assembly on 3 May 2012 in accordance with the Assembly Resolution passed on 21 March 2012.

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Mr Bourke - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

Mr Sullivan: We are always winning awards. I would love to give you a list of our awards Dr Bourke.

Dr Bourke: Would you? Please do.

Mr Sullivan: I will do that.

(Reference pg 214 of Transcript)

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The following is a list of all awards which have been received by ACTEW and the Bulk Water Alliance over the period of the construction of the Cotter Dam

| | | |
|-----------|--|--------|
| 10/9/2009 | Enlarged Cotter Dam Geotechnical investigation – Engineers Australia Excellence Awards (ACT Branch) | Winner |
| 4/6/2010 | Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) ACT Division - Casuarina Sands Redevelopment | Winner |
| 4/6/2010 | Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) ACT Division - ECD & Cotter Precinct Planning Study | Winner |
| 4/7/2011 | Abigroup Golden Boot Award - RCC QA Guidelines | Winner |
| 7/6/2012 | Institute of Landscape Architects Design Award for Cotter Dam Discovery Trail | Winner |
| 1/12/2012 | Australian Water Association ACT Program Innovation Award for Enlarged Cotter Dam Fish Management Program | Winner |
| 8/5/2013 | AWA National Program Innovation Award for the ECD Fish Management Program | Winner |

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Mr Coe - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

Mr Coe: Yes. Therefore, if concrete is going to fluctuate in price, I am trying to see what sort of impact that can have.

Mr Sullivan: No, I do not---look, I will check. I do not believe they hedge. I believe they pick their price and they go for long-term contracts and secure the price. It is probably the cement supplier who hedges after that.

(Reference pg 218 of Transcript)

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:--

I am advised that the BWA construction partners have advised they do not hedge prices for construction materials. The BWA contract with suppliers of key materials early in the project and these contracts generally have rise / fall clauses allowing for movements in prices on these materials over the period of the contract based on movement of underlying inputs (i.e. labour, fuel, input materials, etc.).

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Mr Coe - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

Mr Coe: The question is: what was the level of excavation when the TOC was 363?

Mr Sullivan: I will take that on notice.

(Reference pg 219 of Transcript)

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

I am advised that at the time of approval of the Target Outturn Cost (TOC) in August 2009 the estimate for the volume of the abutment and foundation excavation (excluding access tracks and saddle dams) was 159,600 m³.

The actual volume of abutment and foundation excavation to achieve approved foundations for the dam was in the order of 165,800 m³, an increase of 6,200 m³ (4%) over the original TOC estimate.

In excess of 8,500 m³ of excavation was required below the design foundation level across the valley floor. Of this amount approximately 5,100 m³ of this additional excavation related directly to the right hand abutment crush seam.

Excavation relating to the access tracks to the left and right abutments of the dam and outside of the dam's direct foundations was in the order of 141,800 m³.

At the time of TOC in August 2009, the estimated volume of Roller Compacted Concrete (RCC) in dam was 386,250 m³. The final volume of RCC placed in the dam was 361,400 m³.

The structural (reinforced) concrete volume at the time of TOC was estimated at 10,200 m³. The estimated volume of at structural (reinforced) concrete completion of the dam is 13,900 m³.

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Mr Hanson - Asked the Treasurer upon notice on 17 June 2013:

Mr Hanson: How many green cuts did you have?

Mr Sullivan: many. I will take how many on notice.

(Reference pg 221 of Transcript)

Mr Barr : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

I am advised that over the period of placement of roller compacted concrete (RCC) there were a total of 22 'green cuts' required.

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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
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Asked by Mr Wall on 18 June 2013 : Ms Divorty took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Estimate Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013, Page 258]

In relation to: Payment of Invoices

MR WALL: You may need to take this on notice. Going back to the payments, I was just curious as to how many invoices are currently overdue, over the 30-day period, the value of those invoices, what the average overdue payment time would be and the maximum overdue payment time. Could you take that on notice, please?

MS DIVORTY: We would have to take that on notice, yes.

Mr Barr: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

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| Total number of overdue invoices in the Oracle system over 30 day period is: | 173 invoices |
| Total value of overdue invoices over 30 day period is: | \$473,747.74 |
| Average overdue payment time of the 173 invoices is: | 101.7 days |
| Maximum overdue payment time: | 358 days |

Less than 20% are over 180 days, and these represent less than 4 per cent of the total overdue amount.

Notes:

Shared Services Finance process approximately 330,000 invoices per annum.

An invoice has been classified as outstanding if it has not been paid within 35 days from the invoice date. A parameter of 35 days has been used instead of 30 days to allow for the normal time lag that occurs before a Directorate receives invoices from suppliers.

Invoices can remain unpaid past the due date for a variety of valid reasons:

- The invoice is being disputed by the directorate with the vendor or further documentation is required;
- The invoice received is an invalid tax invoice;
- The invoice details are incorrect resulting in the invoice not being received by the correct agency or area within the agency; or
- The invoice is issued by the vendor well after the date specified on the invoice.

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Asked by Mr Smyth on 18 June 2013 : Mr Barr took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013 Page 255]

In relation to : **Shared Services Finance - Westpac**

THE CHAIR: Mr Smyth, did you have a supplementary?

MR SMYTH: No. I was going to see if you could add what the definition of low income earner is.

Treasurer : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The Territory is currently negotiating the implementation of the scheme with both the service provider and the prospective scheme administrator. These negotiations are expected to be finalised shortly.

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Asked by Mr Hanson on 18 June 2013 : Mr Barr took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013 Page 253, 254]

In relation to : **Shared Services Finance - Westpac**

THE CHAIR: Who administers that and who, if there is a reduced interest amount, subsidises that, whether it is the provider, as in Westpac, or whether it is the ACT government through some manner?

Treasurer : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The Territory is currently negotiating the implementation of the scheme with both the service provider and the prospective scheme administrator. These negotiations are expected to be finalised shortly.

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Asked by Mr Hanson on 18 June 2013 : Mr Barr took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013 Page 253]

In relation to : **Shared Services Finance - Westpac**

THE CHAIR: So what you are saying, essentially, is that the only thing that Westpac offers that is different from any other bank is these microcredit loans? Is that the only socially responsible product—

MS SMITHIES: No—

MR BARR: I would not say that.

THE CHAIR: that is different as part of this contract, this tendering process, with the ACT government?

MR BARR: It might be easier to take that on notice and provide the detail of the range of offerings that Westpac have.

THE CHAIR: Okay. In this case, it has got to be things that are special, above and beyond what they would normally offer as products in other jurisdictions, because this is something that was specific as part of the tendering process. And what the Chief Minister said was that because of—

Treasurer : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The Territory is currently negotiating the implementation of the scheme with both the service provider and the prospective scheme administrator. These negotiations are expected to be finalised shortly.

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Asked by Mr Smyth on 18 June 2013: Mr Tomlins took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Estimate Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013, Page 245]

In relation to: **Prequalification and Trusts**

MR SMYTH: Have any firms in, say, the last two years been told that they cannot be pre-qualified because they run a trust?

MR TOMLINS: I would have to take that on notice. I am not aware of any, but I would want to take that on notice.

Treasurer: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

Yes, four applications have been declined for prequalification due to the applicants running a trust.

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Asked by Mr Smyth on 18 June 2013 : Mr Whale took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Estimates Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013, Page 252]

In relation to : **Perspect Maintenance Cost**

MR SMYTH: What do you expect it is costing you to maintain?

MR WHALE: I would have to take that on notice. It is not a great deal. It just sits in a database and we just dig into that database and pull that information out.

Treasurer : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

There are no external vendor management costs and the system is maintained within existing resources.

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Asked by Mr Smyth on 18 June 2013: Mr Tomlins took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Estimates Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013, Page 246]

In relation to: **Non-allowance of trusts to tender**

MR SMYTH: So in the one case where you said that trusts were not allowed to tender - what was that project?

MR TOMLINS: I cannot remember. I can take it on notice. It was a health project, but I cannot tell you precisely what project.

Treasurer: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The Canberra Hospital (TCH) Redevelopment Stage 3, buildings 3, 2 & Associated Works – Principal Consultant (Design).

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Asked by Mr Hanson on 18 June 2013 : Ms Divorty took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Estimates Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013, Page 231, 232]

In relation to : **Approaching the market for a modern, energy efficient and highly scalable data centre facility.**

THE CHAIR: By the end of June, so that is coming pretty soon. And did we get quite a few people tendering for that, or—

MS SMITHIES: I am not sure I can answer that.

THE CHAIR: You are not sure you can answer that?

MS DIVORTY: We had strong interest.

THE CHAIR: Right.

MS DIVORTY: We used the commonwealth government's AGIMO panel. So we can provide more details on the numbers of tenderers if you are interested.

Treasurer : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The Territory received five (5) responses for the provision of data centre services.

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Asked by Mr Smyth on 18 June 2013 : Ms Divorty took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Estimates Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013, Page 250]

In relation to : **CHRIS21**

MR SMYTH: Was the advice at the time not to customise CHRIS21 and just use the standard modules?

MS DIVORTY: I was not here, Mr Smyth. I was not part of that exercise, nor was Andrew.

MR SMYTH: Could you take it on notice and find out?

MS DIVORTY: We can try to retrieve that information.

Treasurer : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

There appears no advice that the system should not be customised. During the implementation, the project team worked closely with the vendor in the development of the customisations and their interface with Chris 21.

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Asked by Mr Smyth on 18 June 2013: Mr Barr took on notice the following question:

[Ref: Estimates Hansard Transcript 18 June 2013, Page 239]

In relation to: **Canberra Hospital Project**

MR SMYTH: When did the client inform Procurement to stop the process?

MR BARR: I will take that on notice.

Treasurer : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

On 9 May 2013 the Health Directorate advised Shared Services Procurement to terminate the Request for Tender process in accordance with Tender Documents Clause 7 (h) which states:

'In submitting its Tender, each Tenderer acknowledges that, the Territory may (at its absolute discretion) vary, suspend, discontinue or terminate the tender assessment process at any time and for any reason'.

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By the Treasurer, Mr Andrew Barr MLA

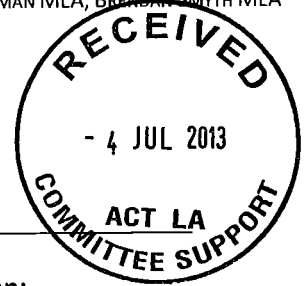


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In relation to: **Canberra Hospital Project - Standard Practice**

MR SMYTH: Is that a standard practice, and did Procurement have to reverse its decision because they got their ruling wrong?

MR BARR: I will take that question on notice.

Treasurer: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The decision was not reversed. This was a large project and project specific requirements were developed for it.

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In relation to: **Canberra Hospital Project - Procurement Exclusion**

MR SMYTH: It is a reasonable question. Were any firms excluded from this procurement because the firm had a trust structure?

Mr Barr: I will take that on notice.

Treasurer : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The Request For Tender (RFT) required tenderers to obtain Project Specific Prequalification (PSP). Business entities that were identified through ASIC and financial checks as a trust arrangement were not eligible to obtain PSP.

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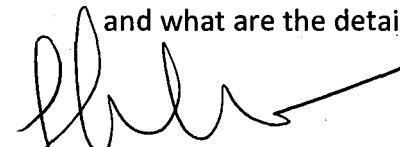


Mr Hanson : To ask the Chief Minister

[Ref: BP4 29 – 53; BP4 15 – 20 Public Sector Management

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1. Under what circumstances is it acceptable for a Short term Executive Contract to be signed after an Executive has started in a role?
2. Under what circumstances is it acceptable for a contract to be tabled in the Assembly after an Executive finishes an employment contract?
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4. Under what form of Long or Short term employment contract was the Executive Director Critical Care and Diagnostics (Position Number E624) in ACT Health at the Canberra Hospital, Ms Jackson, employed from 16 August 2011 until she resigned in July 2012 and what was the contract signing date/s, duration of contract/s and Assembly tabling date of this/these contract/s?
5. When Ms Jackson admitted manipulating data on 21 April 2012, what were the options for termination by the Executive of Ms Jackson under her extant contract and before she resigned about 3 months later?
6. Who has occupied, on Short or Long term contracts, the role of Executive Director Critical Care and Diagnostics (Position Number E624) at the Canberra Hospital from the date of Ms Jackson's resignation until 28 June 2013?
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JEREMY HANSON CSC MLA
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Katy Gallagher : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—


1. While there is no legal impediment to signing a contract after its commencement date, executive contracts (including temporary contracts) should be signed prior to an individual commencing in the position, and this is reflected in ACTPS internal procedures. In some cases, including where for operational purposes a position must be filled immediately or where there are delays in paperwork processing, it is not always possible for the signing process to be complete before an individual commences in a position.

2. Chief Minister and Treasury Directorate encourages and supports the prompt tabling of contracts and liaises with directorates to promote timely tabling. I understand the head of service has recently written to directors-general to re-emphasise the importance of timely completion and tabling of ACTPS executive contracts.
3. ACTPS executive contracts are in a standard form and are tabled for the information of the Assembly. Appointments including temporary appointments to the ACTPS executive are a matter for the ACT Public Service.
4. From 16 August 2011 Ms Jackson was employed in Position Number E624 on a long term contract that commenced on 16 August 2011, and was due to have ended on 15 August 2016. Whilst all appropriate steps were taken in recruiting to this position, including external advertising and interview, a copy of the signed contract was not tabled in the Assembly. It had been mislaid but was recently found within Shared Services.
5. The options for the head of service to terminate the relevant contract included termination where:
 - a) the executive was guilty of misconduct;
 - b) the executive failed to comply with the terms of the contract;
 - c) changes to operational requirements resulted in a substantial change to the nature of the work required under the contract; or
 - d) the executive was in breach of her warranty that she:
 - a. is and will continue to be, a fit and proper person; and
 - b. has no prior criminal convictions other than those (if any) disclosed in writing to the Employer.

Allegations of misconduct require proper investigation in accordance with procedural fairness before sanctions can be applied.

6. From Ms Jackson's resignation on 20 July 2012 until 28 June 2013 the position of Executive Director of Critical Care and Diagnostics has been occupied by Ms Jeanette MacCullagh.
7. Ms MacCullagh has occupied Position Number E624 on short-term contracts on the following occasions:
 - 25 June 2012 to 10 January 2013 – The contract was signed on 10 October 2012, but was not tabled due to administrative oversight. The contract has been prepared for tabling in the next sitting;
 - 11 January 2013 to 24 March 2013 – The contract was signed on 12 February 2013 and tabled on 19 March 2013; and
 - 25 March 2013 to 31 October 2013 – The contract was signed on 3 June 2013 and is to be tabled in the next sitting.

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Date: 29/7/13

By the Chief Minister, Katy Gallagher, MLA



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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE



Jeremy Hanson: To ask the Minister for Education and Training

Ref: Canberra Institute of Technology, Budget Paper 4, p 469 Output Class 1

In relation to: Range and cost of courses offered at CIT

1. What is the fee structure for courses offered at CIT by
 - a. Faculty
 - b. Level of qualification
2. On what basis was the decision taken to move courses from a subsidised model to a full fee paying model?
3. What consultation was undertaken with industry, secondary schools and any other stakeholders to determine what courses could move to a full fee paying basis?
4. How many courses are currently offered on a full fee paying basis?
5. How is the level of fees determined?
6. What relativity is there if any between cost of course delivery and cost of fees applied?
7. On what basis was the decision taken to set the fee for a CIT Diploma in Graphic Design at \$22400, while a similar length CIT Diploma in Hotel Management is \$12400?
8. On what basis was the decision taken to set the fee for a one semester advanced CIT Diploma in Graphic Design at \$9900?
9. Have comparisons and consultations been made with other vocational education providers to ensure the cost structure for CIT courses is appropriate for the market?
10. If more courses are to move to a full fee paying basis, how will they be selected and when is it intended to move them?
11. Will detailed information, including course fees, be available to prospective students attending the CIT Open Day in August this year?

Joy Burch: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

1. CIT has many fee structures for the courses offered which vary depending on factors including whether the course is government subsidised, governed by a contractual arrangement (eg. User Choice apprenticeships) or on a fee for service basis.

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2 and 3. The decision to move courses to a full fee paying basis depends on a range of factors including Territory skills needs, demand, ease of access and competitiveness.

4. CIT has many contracts in place worth millions of dollars with a variety of clients to provide courses on a full fee paying basis. CIT also offers FEE-HELP loans for clients undertaking higher education full fee paying courses and VET FEE-HELP for clients undertaking Diploma and Advanced Diploma full fee paying courses. CIT's international students also pay full fees for their courses.

5. The level of fees is determined through a range of factors, including market based, profit based, cost recovery or contractually imposed.

6. If the question specifically applies to government subsidised 'Profile' training then the average relativity between the cost of course delivery and the cost of fees applied is about 90%-10%. That is, a student's fee usually contributes 10% to the overall cost of the course.

7. The total cost to a student undertaking CIT's Diploma in Graphic Design in 2013 is \$12,540. This price is comparative with the Advanced Diploma of International Hotel and Resort Management also offered with a VET FEE-HELP option.

8. CIT's Advanced Diploma in Graphic Design has been priced on a fee for service basis in order that all costs of providing the course are covered. The Advanced Diploma commences delivery in semester 3 and completes in semester 4 so that students who undertake the Diploma and then the Advanced Diploma can complete their program in 2 years.

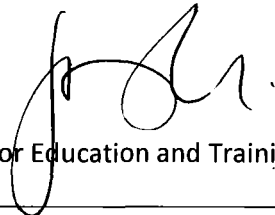
9. In setting the price for a fee for service course CIT takes note of a range of factors including demand, cost structures, ease of access and competitiveness of the price in the market.

10. The decision to move courses to a full fee paying basis depends on a range of factors including Territory skills needs, demand, ease of access and competitiveness. CIT can move programs at any stage but this usually happens at the commencement of an academic year.

11. CIT open day provides potential students with insight and experience into what CIT has to offer. Generic course information is also provided on the day.

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By the Minister for Education and Training, Joy Burch MLA



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2. Why was the graphic design program chosen as the first course to be subject to the higher fees under the cost recovery model?
3. Ms Dodd advised the committee that CIT was losing student numbers because more students were choosing to take the FEE-HELP approach at other training organisation, and it was decided that, by providing access to VET FEE-HELP, CIT would be supporting more students and offering them opportunities to access courses, because the fee would no longer be a barrier. What research was undertaken by CIT in support of this conclusion? What consideration was given to the pros and cons for students – for example whether they would prefer to pay much lower fees each semester, or defer all fee payment but incur a much higher debt?
4. A Number of other jurisdictions (e.g. TAFE Colleges in NSW, Victoria, Queensland) offer a Certificate IV in Design (Nationally Recognised Training product CUV40311) for students as a first step towards an Advanced Diploma of Graphic Design. Why does CIT no longer offer this training option or a similar low-cost option that would enable students to commence training in this field without committing immediately to high fees?
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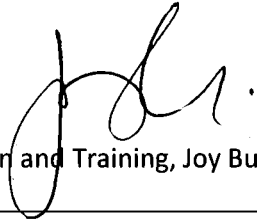
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Joy Burch: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

1. Prospective 2013 graphic design program students were advised of the new fee arrangements at information sessions and enrolment sessions conducted in second semester 2012. There was also information provided at CIT's Open Day in August 2012 advising of the new fee arrangements for 2013 for the graphic design program. Upon orientation in February 2013 students were again advised on the new fee arrangements for the course. Prospective students were provided with fee details and the VET FEE-HELP brochure produced by the Commonwealth Government. In this brochure are details of the Commonwealth's 20 per cent loan fee and information on the indexation of a student's loan by CPI.
2. The graphic design course was not the first course to be offered under a cost recovery model. Almost 40 per cent of CIT's revenue is sourced in a competitive environment and fee for service pricing of courses has existed for at least 20 years.
3. CIT conducted extensive research into barriers of entry for students into courses. This included consulting with students and teachers and comparisons with our competitors. The research was also influenced by CIT's own experiences in operating in a competitive market for students. In changing the fee arrangements for the graphic design program CIT considered not only the pros and cons for students but also the pros and cons for the industry, the Institute and the skill needs of the Territory. Of particular influence was the success competitors have had with the 'pay later' options for students as well as competition from lowering university entrance scores in this field.
4. CIT offers a Certificate III Design Fundamentals for students who are not quite ready for enrolment into the more advanced programs. This Certificate III course is a government subsidised 'Profile' course where students pay on average 10 per cent of the full cost of the course. CIT does not offer the Certificate IV course as experience has shown that students can move on to the more advanced programs from the Certificate III program.
5. CIT conducted an extensive comparative analysis of the proposed course prices and those available locally and nationally. This analysis included other TAFE providers and private training organisations.
6. See answer to question 3.

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Date: 11-7-13

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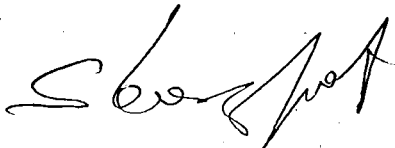
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June 28 2013



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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE



STEVE DOSZPOT MLA : To ask the Minister for Disability, Children and Young People

Ref: BP4, page number 334, Output Class 4.2:

In relation to: Care and Protection Services

1. There are 2400 reports requiring appraisal [BP4 p334] and 1200 children and young people receiving care and protection services. Is this number a typical percentage of the population vis a vis other cities or does Canberra have a higher/lower number of children at risk?
2. Number of children and young people receiving a Care and Protection service during the year
 - a) Why has this number increased from 1,200 in 2012-2013 to 3,000 in 2013-2014?
 - b) Does this upward trend indicate that prevention programs are not effective?
3. DG parental responsibility
 - o Given the upward trend in children and young people requiring care and reportable cases, why is it realistic to have a static number of children for whom the DG has Territory parental responsibility?
4. Total out of home care days used annually
 - o How many foster carers are currently registered in the ACT

MINISTER BURCH : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

1. Comparative jurisdictional child protection data is publicly available and published annually in the *Report on Government Services* under Chapter 15 Child protection and youth justice services.
2. a) The number 1,200 in 2012-13 relates to a point-in-time measure, while the number 3,000 in 2013-14 is a measure of actual children and young people that have received a care and protection service in any one year.

b) The target for e. is higher than d. because it captures the total number of children and young people that have received a care and protection service in any one year rather than d. which is a point-in-time measure.
3. H. is a point-in-time measure. The number of children and young people for whom the Director-General has parental responsibility fluctuates on a daily basis as children and young people enter and leave care. While the number of out-of-home care days has been increasing, the number of children and young people for whom the Director-General has parental responsibility has remained relatively stable.

4. Carers must be approved to care for children and young people in the care of the Director-General. As at 30 June 2012 there were 394 foster carer households approved in the ACT. Of these 249 had at least one child in their care during the year. On any given day there will be a number of foster carers who, while approved to foster, do not have a child in their care.

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By the Minister for Disability, Children and Young People, Ms Joy Burch MLA



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 - Why has this number increased from 1,200 in 2012-2013 to 3,000 in 2013-2014?
 - Does this upward trend indicate that prevention programs are not effective?
3. DG parental responsibility
 - Given the upward trend in children and young people requiring care and reportable cases, why is it realistic to have a static number of children for whom the DG has Territorial parental responsibility?
4. Total out of home care days used annually
 - How many foster carers are currently registered in the ACT?

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR LODGING QUESTIONS ON NOTICES (QON):

Please remember, as discussed in the information sessions on the Estimates Inquiry:

1. Each QON must be brought to the Committee Support office as a signed hard copy AND, the same day, emailed in Word format to lydia.chung@parliament.act.gov.au
2. This must occur within **3 working days of when you were sent the uncorrected proof transcript**. Day 1 of the 3 working days is the working day immediately following the working day you were sent the uncorrected proof transcript. **Example:** *The hearing is on Monday. If you are sent the uncorrected proof transcript of the hearing the next day (that is usually when it arrives), you must submit the QON by close of business the Friday of the same week.*