



STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY INCLUSION

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**Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Johnathan Davis MLA: To ask the Chief Minister

Ref: p. 26, p. 28 Budget

In relation to: Sexuality and gender diversity data collection

Q1. How does the data collected for the wellbeing framework account for sexuality and gender diversity?

a. What work has the Office done to advise on this?

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

The Wellbeing dashboard will report population level information across a broad range of measures. Where possible, this data will be disaggregated. The dashboard will use results of the University of Canberra's *Living Well in the ACT Region* survey to report on the wellbeing of people by gender and LGBTIQ+ status, where data allows.

a) The Office of LGBTIQ+ Affairs is based in the Policy and Cabinet Division of the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate along with the Wellbeing team. The teams have met regularly throughout development of the dashboard.

The ACT Government is working to improve the consistency of sex, gender and sexuality data collection, discoverability, sharing and use. This is a commitment in the *Second Action Plan 2020-22* under the *ACT Women's Plan 2016-26*. As our data practices mature, we will work towards including wellbeing data on Canberrans with diverse sexuality, sex and gender.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Community Inclusion

Signature: 

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By the Chief Minister, Andrew Barr MLA