



## Standing Committee on Economy and Gender and Economic Equality

### **Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023**

#### **ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

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Asked by Ms Susanne Orr MLA on 21 November 2023: Ms Fulton took on notice the following question:

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In relation to: PAC members seeking incentives

**MS ORR:** I just have a quick one. And you can take this on notice too if this helps with time, because I know the Chair has got a few more questions. Just whether you have ever had any representations from PAC, or from members of PAC, asking for these different incentives or programs?

**Ms Fulton:** Happy to take that on notice.

**Tara Cheyne MLA:** The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

PAC Australia members funded through the ACT Arts Fund are Belconnen Arts Centre (BAC), Tuggeranong Arts Centre (TAC) and The Street Theatre.

Only BAC has made representations. At a meeting with artsACT officials in October 2023, BAC requested it be provided with additional annual funding from 2025 to 2027, to enable it to subsidise local artists to access the theatre and rehearsal room at the Centre.

In concert with Government arts funding, organisations managing ACT arts facilities are expected to leverage own source revenue and commercial capacity through management of the facility, which will in turn enable reinvestment back into organisational management and arts programming.

Funding requests for new initiatives or programs will be considered in the context of the annual Budget process and other funding priorities.

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Signature: 

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By the Minister for the Arts, Tara Cheyne MLA