



STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

Mr Jeremy Hanson MLA (Chair), Dr Marisa Paterson MLA (Deputy Chair),
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Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22
QUESTION ON NOTICE

Elizabeth Kikkert: To ask the Attorney-General

Ref: Corrections, Budget Outlook, page number 332, output class 2.1, subheading “Corrective Services, courts, tribunals and accommodation”

In relation to: Line item “Accessibility Improvements”

1. Can the minister provide a more detailed description of this line item?
2. Can the minister provide an itemised list of the intended expenditure?

Shane Rattenbury MLA: The answer to the Member’s question is as follows:–

The Accessibility Improvements Project funded several initiatives to bring the ACT Law Courts Facility public areas up to current best practice. While much of the ACT Law Courts facility is new, some areas in the Magistrates Court were untouched by the PPP Project.

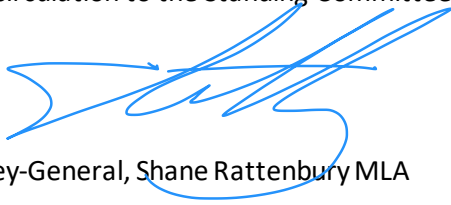
The Accessibility Improvements Project completed the upgrade of several bathrooms with automatic door openers and vision impaired optimised sinks. Upgrades also included expansion of some existing hearing loop technologies, painting of visibility distinction lines on columns in public area thoroughfares and other minor upgrades to the building to improve the accessibility of the building to a wide range of people with various impairments. This reflects the importance of the Law Courts facility as social infrastructure.

The key items, in addition to some project specific staffing costs, were as follows:

Accessibility improvements - 9 x Auto door Openers + Electrical work	\$64,999.98
7 x New Wall Basin Vanity with hand shelf and new mirrors for differing heights	\$30,649.99
Refurbishment of MC6 Waiting areas bathrooms	\$61,664.10
Painting of visibility distinction lines on columns in public area thoroughfares	\$2,568.00
Supply disability access ramp to assist access to witness stands MC Court	\$3,260.00
Relocation of 9 existing hooks in all accessibility bathrooms to 1m	\$2,149.92
Adjustment to 6m of movement channel	\$3,600.00
Hearing loop system for Registry counter	\$5,640.06

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

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By the Attorney-General, Shane Rattenbury MLA