



Standing Committee on Health and Community Wellbeing

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Mrs Elizabeth Kikkert:

Reference: Hearing on 15 November 2023, Annual Report of Community Services Directorate

In relation to: Wraparound

(1) Page 73 of the Annual Reports mention the reinvigoration of Wraparound, a dedicated integrated service model responsive to the needs for sexual violence victim-survivors. Wraparound commenced in 2008 – when and why did it stop?

(a) When will Wraparound be reintroduced and will it operate the same way as it used to? If not, what are the differences?

(b) Are there additional agencies participating in Wraparound who previously were not involved?

Minister Berry: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

(1) Due to COVID-19 disruptions and the re-direction of ACT Policing's frontline resources to the emergency response, Wraparound stopped operating in 2020.

(a) Wraparound will be reintroduced in 2024. Initially, Wraparound will operate in a similar manner to previously and is likely to expand its remit over time. It may include matters that are outside the criminal justice system and increase the number of agencies that are involved in Wraparound meetings.

(b) Wraparound will initially commence with the same agency involvement as before. This may change as appropriate.

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Signature:

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By the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence, Yvette Berry MLA