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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE  
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Asked by: Ms Nicole Lawder MLA

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In relation to: Infrastructure upgrade costs at ACT Policing facilities

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**THE CHAIR:** Thank you very much. We will move onto questions. Firstly, I want to ask a bit about upgrading infrastructure. There are upgrades mentioned on page 163 of the budget outlook, listing two items, atmospheric testing and upgrade critical infrastructure for ACT Policing facilities. If you could provide a breakdown of the costs for the two different initiatives.

**Mr Gentleman:** Thanks very much, Chair, and yes, we should be able to do that for you. I might hold over to Ms Levay to give you some details.

**Ms Levay:** That might be a JACS.

**Mr Glenn:** That might be better for JACS if that is all right.

**Mr Gentleman:** Yes, and that might be better if Dragana can pull those figures together; I have not got them immediately in front of me.

**THE CHAIR:** Or you could take that question on notice.

**Mr Glenn:** Yes, well perhaps can I start, Chair, while people find the information that measure describes? Two sets of infrastructure work, the atmospheric testing is in relation to ESA stations, so that is not a feature of what is going on for ACT Policing. The remainder of that measure is to address works that have occurred in the city station to remediate water damage that had occurred.

**Mr Lee:** Yes, and Chair, we can probably assist you there I think in terms of some of those remediations works within ACT Policing, so I might even pass to Mr Whowell on those issues around some of those infrastructure costs.

**THE CHAIR:** Including which facilities would be.

**Mr Lee:** We can. We certainly have some of that detail in terms of our infrastructure costs.

**THE CHAIR:** We are just conscious of the time. If you do not have it, we can move on. You can either provide it on notice or come back to it a bit later.

**Mr Whowell:** Very quickly, Chair, I think that measure refers to some of the upgrades that occurred in the Gungahlin Police Station as part of the joint emergency services centre, and separately we got funding in the budget, but I do not think it is on page 163 to address the leaks at City Police Station, and that was around \$3.1 million, but I will check that, I take it on notice.

Mr Mick Gentleman MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The 2024-25 Budget provided capital funding of \$3.988 million to upgrade the following critical infrastructure for ACT Policing facilities:

- \$3.1 million for the ACT City Police Station to remediate water ingress and undertake office fit-out works;
- \$412,000 for the ACT City Police Station to conduct heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system upgrade works; and
- \$476,000 for the ACT Winchester Police Station to upgrade the end-of-life heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system to ensure uninterrupted operations of the emergency call centre facility.

The 2024-25 Budget also provided capital funding of \$417,000 and recurrent funding of \$72,000 for the Emergency Services Agency (ESA) comprising:

- \$417,000 in capital funding for the purchase and installation of eleven exhaust fans at eleven ESA stations across the ACT.
- \$42,000 in recurrent funding to test the eleven State Emergency Service and Rural Fire Service sites for Diesel Particulate Matter and conduct atmospheric monitoring across all ESA sites; and
- \$30,000 in recurrent funding for mechanical engineering inspections.

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By the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Mr Mick Gentleman MLA