



Inquiry into Caretaker Conventions

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: SHANE RATTENBURY MLA

Addressed to: Chief Minister

In relation to: CMTEDD

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ANDREW BARR MLA took on notice the following question(s):

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THE CHAIR: Thank you very much. Please, note that as witnesses, you are protected by parliamentary privilege and bound by its obligations. You must tell the truth. Giving false or misleading evidence will be treated as a serious matter and may be considered contempt of the Assembly. We are not—I think opening statements is the practice of the Assembly these days. So we will jump straight into the questions. I want to start by tabling a document which I have given to the secretariat, and I will provide a copy to the Chief Minister so that we have the same information. But for the benefit of Hansard, this is an extract of the Chief Minister and Treasury Directorate FOI 2024-408. Chief Minister, if I can confirm your—or my understanding is correct that this is the letter from the head of service contained with your incoming government brief congratulating you on your re-election

Mr Barr: It will look to be, yes.

THE CHAIR: And this letter is dated 19 October, which is actually Election Day.

When did you actually receive it?

Mr Barr: I will need to take that on notice as to when. There was briefing pack that

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came over probably would not have been until the Monday after the election, yes.

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

The letter along with the Chief Minister Incoming Government Brief was received by Chief Minister's Office staff on 21 October 2024.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Caretaker Conventions

Signature: 

Date: 15.10.25

By the Chief Minister, Andrew Barr MLA