



Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2023–2024

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Ms Fiona Carrick MLA

Addressed to: Marisa Paterson MLA

Reference: ACT Women's Plan and the Third Action Plan – financial management/Community Services Directorate

Hearing: 10 February 2025

In relation to: ACT Women's Plan and the Third Action Plan – financial management

Question received: 18 February 2025

Answer Due: 25 February 2025

1. How is the financial management of the ACT Women's Plan and the Third Action Plan undertaken to ensure the commitments are met?

Would you please provide the following, by Directorate and output:

- cost of the First Action Plan?
- cost of the Second Action Plan?
- How much has been budgeted for the Third Action Plan and how much has been spent?

Marisa Paterson MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. The *ACT Women's Plan 2016-2026* is a whole of government plan that is delivered across ACT Government directorates through 3 supporting action plans.

Individual directorates are responsible for financial management and delivery of actions under the ACT Women's Plan 2016-2026. These actions are largely delivered within existing resources in each directorate.

It is not possible to provide the overall cost to the ACT Government of the delivery of the *First Action Plan 2017-2019* or the *Second Action Plan 2020-2022*. The Office for Women (OFW) in the Community Services Directorate (CSD) is responsible for coordination and reporting on implementation of the *ACT Women's Plan* but is not responsible for financial oversight of actions administered by other ACT Government directorates and does not collect any information on budgets or financial expenditure associated with each action.

In 2023-24, the OFW spent \$40,000 to support delivery of actions to support the *ACT Women's Plan*.

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In 2024-25, the OFW has committed \$18,168 to support delivery of actions to support the ACT Women's Plan and has budgeted \$20,000 to support the development of an evaluation framework.

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Signature:

M. Paterson

Minister for the Women, Marisa Paterson MLA

Date:

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