



Inquiry into annual and financial reports 2024–25

Answer to question on notice - Revised

Asked by: Ms Jo Clay MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development

Reference: CED

Hearing: 12 November 2025

In relation to: ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING FORUM

Question received: 20 November 2025

Answer Due: 27 November 2025

The Government agreed that City and Environment Directorate include in its Annual Report the number of Environment and Planning Forum meetings held, and what feedback and outcomes arose from those meetings(pg100). Page 335 says that there were 5 meetings held. Can you identify the page or pages in the Annual Report which provide information about feedback and outcomes from the Environment and Planning Forum meetings.

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The reference in the annual report (page 100) notes the status of this work as "in progress".

The Directorate is committed to increasing the transparency around the Environment and Planning Forum (EPF), including providing an annual summary of the topics discussed in the forum. The Secretariat is currently working through the annual update to the Terms of Reference document. It is intended that the update will include a process for a meeting summary to be published on the website (retrospectively).

In 2024-25 the Directorate substantially updated the webpage with information available on the EPF. This includes an updated membership list, a summary of the topics covered in the proceeding financial year (updated annually), a copy of the last 12 months of Member bulletins (updated monthly) and the results of the annual member survey.

Further information on the Environment and Planning Forum is available here. [Environment and Planning Forum - ACT Government](#)

The Directorate does not intend to provide a summary within its Annual Report at this time, but will continue to enhance the Forum's digital presence via its dedicated web page. Members are provided

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with meeting notes following each of the Forum's meetings, which include a summary of the feedback received and an overview of the discussions occurred.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Environment and Planning

Signature:



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By the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development, Chris Steel MLA