



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

JACS No. 87

STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports and Budget Estimates 2020-21
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Mr Jeremy Hanson MLA: To ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

In relation to: **Futures Program**

Ref EBT 1 - ACT Policing

- a. In the Futures Program (\$2.695mill) announced in 2017 how many addition FTE were added to police numbers in each year under this program since 2017-18?
 - i. When is the Futures Program expected to be completed?
 - ii. Has the scope of this program in anyway changed since it was first funded?
- b. To date, how much money has been spent on the Police Futures Program?
- c. What will replace the Futures Program?
- d. Given Telstra no longer has the capacity to capture statistics on the number of Triple Zero calls what is being done to capture data relating to Triple Zero calls.

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

- a) The funding provided in the 2017-18 budget was for the development of the Futures Program. The Program was established in 2017 to enhance ACT Policing services and capabilities to ensure a sustainable, efficient and effective police service for Canberra.

The Futures Program led the development of the Police Services Model, with additional Government funding providing more than 60 ACT Policing positions over four years, as outlined below. The Program is an ongoing initiative to ensure successful implementation of the Police Services Model, enabling ACT Policing to evolve with the community.

Please note that the \$2.695 million referenced in the question relates to the 'Improving safety through additional TASERS for police'.

Futures budget allocation						
		2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	TOTAL
Police Services Model	Funding provided 2019-20 Budget	\$2.210m	\$7.586m	\$9.215m	\$14.855m	\$33.866m
	FTE allocated in 2019-20 Budget	5	31	42.5	68.8	68.8
Total Funding						\$35.976m



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b) see previous answer.

c) See previous answer.

d) ACT Policing is implementing a new Avaya telephone system that will provide the capability to capture data on the number of Triple Zero calls answered on the first and second presentation.

Telstra's inability to capture the statistics required is due to changes in infrastructure. These changes have not disrupted or impacted ACT Policing's response to Triple Zero calls or the subsequent response.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "MG", is written over a horizontal line.

Date: 23 / 3 / 2023

By the Minister for Police and Emergency, Mick Gentleman MLA