



Standing Committee on Economy and Gender and Economic Equality

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2021-2022 **ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Asked by Nicole Lawder MLA on 10 November 2022: Caroline Fulton took on notice the following question(s):

Reference: Hansard uncorrected proof transcript 10 November 2022, page 192-193.

In relation to: UC Research public availability

MS LAWDER: In September you answered a question on notice about some research being conducted by the University of Canberra and said you were expecting that to be completed by the end of the year. Has that been completed? Have you received that research now?

Ms Cheyne: I do not believe so, not yet.

MS LAWDER: So are you still expecting it by the end of the year?

Ms Fulton: Yes. Expecting it by the end of the year. The contract has been extended and this was two allow the University of Canberra to use data that had just been released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in October, so it enables more up-to-date statistics to be used.

MS LAWDER: When you receive that document, will that become publicly available?

Ms Fulton: I probably would have to take that on notice. I think the expectation is that it will be or at least in terms of a component in terms of sharing kind of critical data. Most of the data that is drawn from it is publicly available, but it is another area. It is actually looking at it, so in terms of publicly release I probably would need to take that on notice, sorry.

Ms Cheyne: It probably depends on what exactly the contract that we have with UC as well, given it will be their research, so often there are just some conditions put on. So we will check that and get back.

Tara Cheyne MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

The Creative Industries Research program is jointly funded by the University of Canberra and the ACT Government. The project included an environmental, social and policy assessment of the creative industries in the Territory. The ACT Government's contribution to the program is \$133,650 (including GST).

A draft report is due for consideration and comment by Economic Development Division in the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate prior to the end of 2022, with the final report due early in 2023. The research will be made publicly available in due course once the final report is received.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Economy and Gender and Economic Equality

Signature: 

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By the Minister for the Arts, Tara Cheyne MLA