

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Chief Minister:

Team Territory

The Northern Territory Government originally created *Team NT* in early 2018, consisting of Clare Martin, Dick Guit and Paul Tyrell.

In May 2020, under the revised banner of *Team Territory*, sixteen Territorians representing business, industry, community and cultural leaders joined Clare Martin and Dick Guit on Team Territory, minus Paul Tyrrell.

- 1. What projects did Team NT deliver? Please list all completed and incomplete projects that have commenced.**

Bi-annual progress reports were published for June 2018, February and July 2019 and prepared for February 2020.

- 2. How many times did Team NT members represent the Territory overseas or interstate? Please list trips, including dates, reason for travel and a breakdown of costs.**

Refer **Attachment A**.

- 3. What funding was allocated to Team NT between February 2018 and May 2020 (2 years 4 months)?**

A total of \$1 407 535 was allocated to Team NT Executive since its inception until 30 June 2020.

- 4. What funding has been allocated to Team Territory between May 2020 and October 2022?**

Nil.

- 5. Since the formation of Team Territory in May 2020, what specific achievements have been made in accordance with the Team Territory Terms of Reference?**

Team Territory was an advisory group and in accordance with the Terms of Reference, Team Territory successfully achieved a number of actions, including:

- Provided specialist advice to the TERC to ensure any recommendations from the TERC were achievable and deliver real benefits to Territorians.
- Team Territory participated in meetings and briefings with industry and stakeholders to ensure the goals in reports were on target and meet community expectations.
- Assessed the government's implementation plans to ensure implementation is on track to meet the two, five and 10 year targets as outlined in the Final Report.

- Connected Government and the private sector to make sure directions of implementation related actions or projects are agreed upon, best practice and timely.
- Provided additional stakeholder engagement and champion the Territory through positive advocacy, within the private sector and where possible, and appropriate, encourage them to invest.
- Assisted in getting projects delivered where possible, including through the work of the Aboriginal Economic Leadership sub-committee of Team Territory.
- Worked with Government to monitor implementation plans progress and deliver six-monthly reporting: Progress Report 1 published May 2021; Progress Report 2 published December 2021; and Progress Report 3 published June 2022.

6. Are all members of Team Territory still the same as when first announced in May 2020? Have any resigned? Have any new members been added?

Team Territory completed operations on 31 December 2021.

7. The former Chief Minister claimed that the committee's (Team Territory) job is to make sure "this stuff gets done". What stuff has been done?

Refer to the TER Implementation Progress Reports
<https://ntrebound.nt.gov.au/publications>.

8. What work is Team Territory planning to achieve in the 2022/23 financial year? What is the Team Territory budget for 2022/23?

Not applicable – refer to response to Question 6.

9. Team Territory terms of reference state that they will operate until 31 December 2021, with potential to be extended or updated to reflect the progress status of the implementation of the TERC Final Report recommendations. How long has Team Territory been extended for and have any members changed or have the terms of reference changed?

Not applicable – refer to response to Question 6.

10. What interstate and overseas travel has been undertaken by the three Commissioners since their roles were introduced? What was the purpose of each of these trips, how many staff were part of each trip and what was the cost of each trip?

Travel for the Territory Investment and Major Projects Commissioners is provided at **Attachment B**.

Infrastructure Commissioner

In January 2022, Ms Louise McCormick was appointed as the Infrastructure Commissioner of the Northern Territory. Refer to below table for all travel.

Travel Purpose	Where	When	No. Staff	Cost (Commissioner only)
Japan-Australia Infrastructure Networking Meeting. Presenting on NT Infrastructure Pipeline and enabling projects.	Sydney	20-21 Nov	Commissioner	\$1,855.89
Austrroads Board Meeting and AGM.	Adelaide	2-3 Nov	Commissioner	\$1,469.58
Various meetings with the Australian Government.	Canberra	28-29 Sept	Commissioner + 1 staff member	\$1,985.40
Developing Northern Australia Conference. Presentation and attendance.	Mackay	5-8 July	Commissioner + 3 staff members	\$6,734.54
ARRB Board Meeting, Roads Australia John Shaw Medal Dinner.	Melbourne	18-20 May	Commissioner	\$2,699.29

Destination	Total Amount	Date	Reason for Travel
Member 1			
Melbourne, Adelaide	\$5,309.10	July 2018	Petroleum Industry Engagement trip - meeting with key stakeholders and proponents.
China	\$8,903.07	August / September 2018	To accompany the Chief Minister's delegation to China and attend the Reaching South Event in Shenzhen.
Canberra, Sydney, Melbourne, Perth	\$7,516.34	September 2018	Attendance at Facing North 2018 event at Parliament House in Canberra. Attendance at Oil and Gas related activities in Sydney, Melbourne Perth.
Sydney	\$733.09	October 2018	Face-to-face meeting with proponents at the Energy Summit.
Japan, Darwin	\$7,082.34	November 2018	To reaffirm the Territory's commitment to relations with Japan as a priority partner country.
Sydney	\$947.78	November 2018	Face-to-face meetings in relation to development of the oil and gas industry in the Territory.
Darwin	\$936.46	November 2018	Meetings with key stakeholders.
Perth	\$3,496.32	January – February 2019	Meetings with oil and gas industry leaders to progress plans for the Territory's gas industry.
Melbourne	\$3,638.98	February - March 2019	Meetings with proponents.
Sydney, Darwin	\$992.52	April 2019	Meetings to further development of the oil and gas industry in the Territory.
Brisbane	\$1,137.06	April 2019	Meetings with key stakeholders.
USA	\$17,530.23	April-May 2019	To better understand environmental and other government processes for encouraging investment in, and development of the downstream industry (gas manufacturing).
Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne	\$4,019.30	May 2019	Oil and Gas Domestic Investment Roadshow.
Brisbane	\$1,475.50	May 2019	Attendance at the APPEA conference.
Darwin, Sydney, Coolangatta, Darwin	\$1,818.04	June 2019	Meetings with key stakeholders.
Ballina	\$866.25	July 2019	Travel following meetings with key stakeholder
Darwin	\$444.71	August 2019	Attend Team NT Executive Meeting.
Sydney	\$637.11	September 2019	Facing North and meetings for oil and gas industry
Canberra	\$2,285.62	September 2019	Attendance at Facing North 2019 event.
Perth	\$6,005.87	September 2019	Industry Engagement - Oil and Gas.
Canberra	\$684.63	February 2020	Oil and Gas Industry Meetings.
Member 2			
Indonesia	\$5,973.88	October 2018	Accompany the Minister for Primary Industry and Resources to the Trade Expo in Jakarta
Adelaide	\$2,341.43	March 2019	Face-to-face meeting to initiate discussion on corporate attraction with stakeholder meetings organised by InvestNT.
Sydney	\$1,515.22	April 2019	The International Education CEO Roundtable. Engagement with 50 international VET CEOs about the Territory as an attractive option for campuses as well as Australian-based head offices.

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Brisbane, Cairns	\$1,339.12	April 2019	Corporate attraction meetings with stakeholders.
Brisbane, Sydney	\$3,088.80	May 2019	Present overview of the North at the NT Territory Investment Update.
Member 3			
Canberra	\$4,523.00	September 2018	Attendance at Facing North 2018 in Parliament House Canberra. Attended Defence-related meetings.
Adelaide	\$3,680.87	March 2019	Face-to-face meeting to initiate discussion on corporate attraction.
Canberra	\$3,970.04	September 2019	Attendance at Facing North event 9 September 2019.

**Territory Investment Commissioner and Staff Interstate and International Travel
1 April 2021 to 1 December 2022**

Date	No. Staff	Itinerary	Reason For Travel	Total
April 2021	Commissioner	Sydney	Investment Opportunity in the NT: Joint Seminar/forum by NTG and Consulate-General of Japan.	2,679.78
May 2021	Commissioner	Melbourne	Attend Investor Forum - showcase the TrueGreen Hydrogyn initiative.	2,413.98
June 2021	Commissioner	Sydney	Guest Speaker at TrueNorth Investor Forum and targeted investment meetings in Sydney.	1,886.43
June 2021	staff member	Sydney, Brisbane	Attend and accompany the Investment Commissioner who is speaking at the TrueNorth Investor forum (VIP Event with 75 invitees). The event will showcase the TrueGreen Hydrogyn initiative, which would provide a transport route for future Territory hydrogen exports.	1,701.76
July 2021	Commissioner	Melbourne, Canberra	Attend meeting with Vietnamese Ambassador and Dinner with the Ambassador and CEO of World Vision - Meetings with Commonwealth officials.	2,314.72
September 2021	Commissioner	Adelaide	12th Australian Space Workshop in Adelaide and meet with Key Stakeholders.	2,171.34
September 2021	staff member	Adelaide	Attend 12th Australian Space Workshop and meet with key stakeholders.	1,116.79
March 2022	Commissioner	Melbourne, Adelaide	Meetings with Telstra, Inligo and other Investment stakeholders.	1,960.69
April 2022	staff member	Sydney, Singapore (Singapore), Tokyo (Japan), Osaka (Japan)	To accompany Investment Commissioner at short notice for stakeholder engagement/investor meetings with Inpex, Osaka Gas, NEC and AAI.	14,496.23
April 2022	staff member	Singapore (Singapore), Tokyo (Japan)	Accompany the Chief Minister to meetings in Japan with Inpex, Nissui, NEC, METI and attend MOU signing with ShinMaywa.	853.45

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April 2022	Commissioner	Singapore (Singapore), Tokyo, (Japan), San Francisco (USA), Washington DC, (USA), Los Angeles, (USA), Sydney	Accompany Chief Minister to stakeholder and investment meetings with Inpex, NEC, AAI, Ministry of Defence and onward travel to USA for investment meetings with Tesla and Defence, Austrade and APT Telecom.	34,060.93
April 2022	staff member	Brisbane ,Los Angeles (USA), Washington DC (USA), Los Angeles (USA), San Francisco (USA) ,Sydney	Assisting Investment Commissioner with stakeholder engagement and Defence meetings in the USA.	22,858.16
July 2022	Commissioner	Singapore (Singapore), Tokyo, (Japan)	Accompany Chief Minister to Japan to meet with key Japan trading partners and prospective investors.	22,083.08
August 2022	Commissioner	Melbourne	Meeting in Melbourne with Frontier, Vocus, Telstra, Project Blue, KPMG, Kabo, Swisstech and Digital case study presentation at Mainstream asset management Conference and Investment Advisory Group members meetings.	2,004.74
August 2022	staff member	Melbourne	Attending meetings in Melbourne with Frontier, Vocus, Telstra, Kabo and Swisstec.	2,227.98
September 2022	Commissioner	Sydney, Singapore (Singapore)	Attend Submarine Networks World 2022 in Singapore - Meeting with Keppel Data Centre, APTelecom.	8,171.80
September 2022	Commissioner	Sydney	Strategy Discussion with AARNet (Australian Academic and Research Network) Follow up meeting with Stone and Chalk (auscyber) and Investment meetings with Austrade, Defence and key proponents.	1,157.20
November 2022	Commissioner	Singapore (Singapore), Ho Chi Minh City, (Vietnam), Hanoi (Vietnam), Melbourne	Investment meetings and engagement with senior Australian and Vietnamese officials.	8,526.47
November 2022	staff member	Singapore (Singapore) ,Ho Chi Minh City, (Vietnam), Hanoi (Vietnam), Denpasar (Indonesia)	Investment meetings and engagements with senior Australia and Vietnamese officials.	5,966.33
November - December 2022	Commissioner	Sydney	Attend 43rd Australia - Korea Business Council Joint Meeting in Sydney.	3,187.60
November - December 2022	staff member	Sydney	Attend 43rd Australia - Korea Business Council Joint Meeting in Sydney.	2,787.60

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**Major Projects Commissioner and Staff Interstate and International Travel
1 April 2021 to 1 December 2022**

Return Date	Traveller	Itinerary	Reason For Travel	Total
April 2022	Commissioner	Canberra, Brisbane	Sun Cable meetings with Commonwealth.	1,602.50
April 2022	staff member	Canberra, Brisbane	Sun Cable meetings with Commonwealth.	1,817.00
May 2022	Commissioner	Sydney, Brisbane	APPEA 2022 and meeting with Export Finance Australia.	4,106.58
June 2022	Commissioner	Sydney, Canberra	Meetings with Sun Cable Head Office.	3,282.61
June 2022	staff member	Brisbane, Canberra	Meetings with Sun Cable Head Office.	2,902.56
July 2022	Commissioner	Brisbane	In-person meetings with Sun Cable Integrated Project Delivery Team and Origin representatives regarding downstream development using onshore gas.	2,647.53
September 2022	Commissioner	Canberra, Sydney	National Minerals Week. Critical Minerals Office (CMO) meeting to support a range of Territory projects and downstream opportunities. Meetings with key Commonwealth government officials.	3,677.06
October 2022	Commissioner	Sydney, Tokyo (Japan)	59th Annual Australia-Japan Joint Business Conference as NT Government Representatives.	12,718.43
October 2022	staff member	Sydney, Tokyo (Japan)	59th Annual Australia-Japan Joint Business Conference as NT Government Representatives.	12,633.78
October 2022	staff member	Sydney, Tokyo (Japan)	59th Annual Australia-Japan Joint Business Conference as NT Government Representatives.	12,515.60
October 2022	Commissioner	Sydney, Singapore (Singapore)	15th Singapore International Energy Week Conference in support/replacement for Hon Selena Uiho MLA.	11,133.80

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October - November 2022	Commissioner	Canberra	ASPI Master Class on Critical Minerals and a series of engagements with senior Australian Government officials to progress major projects and manufacturing agenda.	3,311.17
November 2022	Commissioner	Sydney	Australian Critical Minerals Summit and meet with proponents and stakeholders.	2,497.80

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