

**Question No: 80**

**Question: Power and Water Authority Funding**

**Date: 12/11/91**

**Member: Mr STIRLING**

**To: MINISTER for TRANSPORT and WORKS**

1. What are the specific allocations, for the 1991-92 budget, to the Corporate Services division of the Power and Water Authority for -

- (a) insurance;
- (b) employer superannuation contributions;
- (c) charges for Department of Transport and Works services;
- (d) property management;
- (e) fleet running costs;
- (f) communications;
- (g) electronic information systems;
- (h) audit fees;
- (i) bank charges;
- (j) training;
- (k) capital items;
- (l) office stationery; and
- (m) office equipment hire.

2. What are the details of \$1.278m allocated to 'other items' in the Utilities Planning program in 1991-92.

3. What is the salaries and wages cost of the 1991-92 Water AES budget.

4. What external services will be provided by the 1991-92 Water AES budget of \$1.264m for external services.

5. What services will be provided by the 1991-92 Sewerage general budget of \$2.502m for external services and other.

6. How many full-time staff equivalents were employed on a contract basis in utilities in 1990-91.

**ANSWER**

1. The allocations are as follows -

Item \$000

- (a) Insurance 2 800
- (b) Superannuation 1 295
- (c) Transport and Works 8 050
- (d) Property 1 866
- (e) Fleet 1 709
- (f) Communications 1 187
- (g) Electronic Information Systems 2 261
- (h) Audit Fees 203
- (i) Bank Charges 230
- (j) Training 677

- (k) Capital Items 1 696
- (l) Office Stationery 397
- (m) Office Equipment Hire 148

2. The budget for the planning program for 1991-92 as indicated in Budget Paper No 4 is \$2.153m.

However, this includes an allowance of \$1.278m for functions previously undertaken by the former strategic management directorate. As part of the ERC processes the strategic management directorate was abolished. These functions have now been devolved to the utilities planning program and to the corporate services general services program.

3. The cost is \$0.743m.

4. The external services budget included provision for agents fees - \$0.544m, plant and equipment hire - \$0.061m, repair and maintenance - \$0.494m, other expenses - \$0.165m.

5. The external services budget included agents' fees - \$0.046m, plant and equipment hire - \$0.028m, repair and maintenance - \$0.356m, other general expenses - \$0.51m, superannuation - \$0.37m and energy - \$1.192m.

6. Three full time staff were employed on a contract basis in utilities in 1990-91.