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Global Questions

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30. Full details on all information and data contained within the two most recent Reports on Government Services.
31. Full details on all information and data contained within all Annual Reports produced by all Government entities across the last two financial years.

32. Full details on all information and data contained within any report produced by a Statutory Authority of the Northern Territory Government within the last five years and full details on any and all actions of all Government entities in response to the report or related to the report.

33. Full details on all information and data contained within any report commissioned by the Northern Territory Government and produced within the last five years and full details on any and all actions of all Government entities in response to the report or related to the report.

34. Full details on all information, data and forecasts contained within reports produced in the last two years in relation to the Northern Territory from Deloitte Access Economics, CommSec, Sensis, Australian Property Monitors, Housing Industry Association, Property Council, Master Builders Association and ANZ including the response from Government entities to these reports.

35. Full details and all information and data produced by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in relation to the Northern Territory in the last two years, including the response of Government entities to these reports.

36. Details on all reports and data published on Northern Territory Government websites.

37. What is the total annual power bill of each government building owned/leased/used by each department?

38. What is the detailed breakdown of Corporate and Governance output of each department?

39. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on overseas travel in 2013/14?
What was the itinerary for each overseas trip undertaken by Ministers in 2013/14?

40. For each overseas trip:

- a. What was the purpose of the travel?
- b. How many advisers accompanied the Minister?
- c. How many Members of the Legislative Assembly accompanied the Minister?
- d. How many public sector employees or statutory officers accompanied the Minister?
- e. How many independent media representatives accompanied the Minister?
- f. How many private citizens accompanied the Minister?

41. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on overseas travel in 2013/14?

42. For each overseas trip:
- What was the purpose of the travel?
 - How many public sector employees or statutory officers travelled overseas?
 - How many Members of the Legislative Assembly travelled with the Agency/Authority?
 - What was the itinerary for the travel?
43. Were any external consultants or advisers contracted by Ministers in 2013/14? If so, for each Minister:
- How many external advisers or consultants were contracted?
 - Which consultants were contracted?
 - What was the cost of each consultancy?
 - What was the purpose of each consultancy?
 - Were tenders or expressions of interest invited?
 - If not, why not?
44. Were any external consultants or advisers contracted by Government Agencies or Authorities in 2013/14? If so,
- How many external advisers or consultants were contracted?
 - Which consultants were contracted?
 - What was the cost of each consultancy?
 - What was the purpose of each consultancy?
 - Were tenders or expressions of interest invited?
 - If not, why not?
45. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on official hospitality in 2013/14?
46. In relation to each occasion on which official hospitality was undertaken:
- What was the purpose of the hospitality?
 - How many guests attended?
 - How many Ministers attended?
 - What was the total cost incurred?

46. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on official hospitality in 2013/14?

47. In relation to each occasion on which official hospitality was undertaken:

- a. What was the purpose of the hospitality?
- b. How many guests attended?
- c. How many Ministers attended?
- d. How many public sector employees attended?
- e. What was the total cost incurred?

48. Were any gifts received by Ministers in 2013/14? If so, for each Minister:

- a. What gifts were received?
- b. What is the estimated value of each gift received?

49. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on advertising in 2013/14?

50. For each advertisement:

- a. What was the purpose / description of the advertisement?
- b. Who was the advertisement placed with?
- c. What was the production cost?
- d. What was the design cost?
- e. Were tenders or expressions of interest called? If not, why not?

51. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on advertising in 2013/14?

52. For each advertisement:

- a. What was the purpose / description of the advertisement?
- b. Who was the advertisement placed with?
- c. What was the production cost?
- d. What was the design cost?

53. Has any Minister or Ministerial Adviser engaged in formal or informal communications with L and B MacFarlane (or their representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license? If so:

- a. Which Ministers and Ministerial Advisers have engaged in the communications?
- b. What was the substance of the communications?
- c. When did the communications take place?

54. Has any Minister or Ministerial Adviser engaged in formal or informal communications with Peter Maley (or his representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license? If so:

- a. Which Ministers and Ministerial Advisers have engaged in the communications?
- b. What was the substance of the communications?
- c. When did the communications take place?

55. What are the details by project of revoked capital works in all Department and Government Authorities?

56. By classification and level, how many permanent employees are currently employed in Government Agencies and Statutory Authorities?

57. By classification and level, how many temporary employees are currently employed in Government Agencies and Statutory Authorities?

58. How many NT Government Statutory Boards are there in the Northern Territory?

59. For each Statutory Board:

- a. Who are the current members and when were they appointed?
- b. What was the total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14?
- c. What was the itemised total cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14?
- d. How many times did the Board meet in 2013/14?

60. What was the total expenditure on grants to non-Government organisations in 2013/14?

61. What is the total estimated allocation for grants to non-Government organisations in 2014/15?

62. Would you provide whole of Government tables showing:

- a. The amount granted to each non-Government organisation in 2013/14?
- b. The estimated grant to each non-Government organisation in 2014/15?

63. Please list all reviews currently being undertaken by the agency, estimated date of release of report and costs incurred to date.

64. For each Government Agency and Authority how many Certificates of Exemption were issued in 2013/14?

65. For each Certificate of Exemption:

- a. What is the description of the goods and services contracted?
- b. What is the value of the goods and services contracted?
- c. Why was the Certificate of Exemption required?
- d. Who recommended the Certificate of Exemption?
- e. Who approved the Certificate of exemption?

66. To each Minister Re: Fundraising:

- a. Have you held any CLP fundraising events in your Ministerial office suite?
- b. If so, how many times has your official office been used for fundraising activities in the past year?
- c. What dates did you hold these fundraisers?
- d. Did you pay the Parliament for the use of the offices in this way?
- e. Did the CLP pay for the alcohol or did the taxpayer?

67. To each Minister in regards to Travel:

- a. How many trips overseas have you taken in the past 12 months?
- b. How many staff accompanied you?
- c. Who accompanied you?
- d. How much was the travelling allowance?
- e. What class of air travel did you take?
- f. Did you use your Ministerial phone while overseas?
- g. What was the total cost of phone calls from overseas?
- h. Did your staff use their Government issued phones?
- i. What was the total cost of their phone calls from overseas?
- j. Did your spouse accompany you on any trips?
- k. Did your children accompany you on any trips?

68. To each Minister in regards Cars:

- a. How much did you spend on your taxpayer funded petrol card last financial year?
- b. How much was your lease?
- c. Was any damage incurred to your car in the last financial year?
- d. If so what was the cost?
- e. Was the accident reported to police?
- f. Did police attend?
- g. Who was in the wrong?
- h. Were any charges laid?

69. To each Minister regarding Credit Cards:

- a. Do you have a Ministerial credit card?
- b. How much has been spent on the credit card in the past 12 months?
- c. What do you use it for?
- d. How much has been spent on entertainment?

70. To each Minister regarding Alcohol:

- a. How much has your office spent on alcohol in the past 12 months?
- b. What type of alcohol is purchased?
- c. Are spirits purchased?
- d. Is the alcohol used for official functions or for personal use?
- e. Who is entitled to access the office alcohol?

71. For each agency please provide an itemised breakdown for spending associated with promoting the budget for the 2012 mini budget, the 2013 budget and the 2014 budget.

72. For each agency please provide a breakdown of public service staffing levels by FTE, total numbers and by employment level for 13/14 and projected for 14/15.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (1)
From	Ms Delia Lawrie MLA Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on progress of all CLP election commitments, including all commitments and policy announcements made to Territorians in CLP election policy documents, summary snapshots, media releases and announcements, costings and savings documents, media advertisements and other printed material.

Answer

Rationalisation of Local Government Association of the NT (LGANT) functions and responsibilities

Progress: Initial phase completed. The transfer of functions to LGANT is expected to be completed in July 2014.

The former Minister for Local Government and officers from the then Department of Local Government have had discussions with LGANT about functions and responsibilities.

The former Minister for Local Government, the Hon Adam Giles MLA, met with LGANT on a number of occasions to discuss a range of issues concerning the local government sector in the Northern Territory.

Further, the former Minister has addressed both the LGANT Executive in Alice Springs on 15 October 2012 and the LGANT Annual General meeting on 18 November 2012.

Senior officers from the then Department of Local Government continue to meet with LGANT's Executive Officer, Mr Tony Tapsell, on a regular basis.

I am currently negotiating with LGANT in relation to the transfer of some Departmental functions to LGANT. The transfer will involve functions and resources so that LGANT can provide support to local government.

Borroloola - Establishment of regional local government council outside control of Roper Gulf Shire

Progress Date: 14/05/2014

Amendments to the Local Government Act were passed in the Legislative Assembly in November 2013 which introduced Local Authorities and established Regional councils. Cabinet also determined that the then Department of Local Government is to undertake assessments of current and alternative council boundaries and operating methods and refer these assessments to Cabinet's Budget Review Committee after 1 January 2014.

In February 2014, the Department of Local Government and Regions provided Cabinet with reports from the assessment of alternate council boundaries and operating methods.

In February 2014 government approved the establishment of one new council, the West Daly Regional Council incorporating the communities of Nganmarriyanga, Peppimenarti and Wadeye.

A Transition Committee, comprising representatives from the new and continuing council areas, peak body and the Northern Territory and Australian Government, has been established as a Ministerial Advisory body. The Committee is working through implementation issues such as council and ward boundaries and election dates for the new council so that the new council is operational by 1 July 2014.

Ensure service managers live in regions they are responsible for

Progress Date: **COMPLETED**

Shire service managers live in the communities they serve.

Managers and directors who are responsible for shire wide programs such as human resources, asset management and infrastructure management usually work from a regional office based in Territory regional centres.

There are 64 local government community service delivery centres for the 8 large shire councils. Each of these community service centres is managed by a shire council service manager who lives in the community they are employed to serve.

Shire councils also employ managers and directors who operate programs that are shire wide. This includes finance, human resources, infrastructure and asset management, agency service and management. Because these shire council services are shared by all of the community service centres within the shire, the managers and directors usually live in the regional centre where the shire council is located.

Visit regional communities to discuss development of towns

Progress Date: 14/05/2014

No policy or strategy has been announced to replace the Working Future or Territory Growth Towns initiative which aimed at the development of towns.

Report to Darwin City Council on options for new dump to service Darwin, Palmerston and rural area

Progress Date: 14/05/2014

Summary:

The Northern Territory Government has long acknowledged the Top End councils' need for a regional waste facility.

Detailed:

To further develop the proposal, the former Department of Housing, Local Government and Regional Services identified a regional entity, the Top End Regional Organisation of Councils or "TOPROC", with representation by neighbouring municipalities, as the appropriate governance model for a shared regional waste facility. The TOPROC members are:

- Belyuen Shire Council;
- City of Darwin, which provides secretariat for TOPROC;
- City of Palmerston;
- Coomalie Shire Council;
- Litchfield Shire Council; and
- Wagait Shire Council.

In March 2013, TOPROC was awarded a Special Purpose Grant of \$120 000 to engage external expertise to undertake an independent study aimed at "securing a future of a Regional Waste Management Facility". The project will involve the identification of a physical site as a priority and the development of a suitable governance plan. TOPROC member councils have pledged to "work together to gain an agreement on the establishment costs, operational costs and the management costs for the facility".

Work has been undertaken to consider options, including the type of waste facility and the newer technologies relevant to anticipated waste volumes, as well, as an assessment of the likely costs for capital and the development of a 'business case'.

TOPROC, in its submission, noted that there are significant lead times required in securing a new site including:

- undertaking the required Environmental Impact Statements and associated studies;
- subdividing a piece of land;
- provision of associated headworks; and
- possible zoning of the land for a waste management facility.

Tender documents for the project were released, with the tender closing on Thursday 22 August 2013. The tender was awarded to Morrison Low, with the first meeting with the consultants occurring on 31 October 2013.

Morrison Low is providing recommendations about the governance arrangements for the development and operation of the waste management facility.

Commitment: Establish \$1M Family Environment Fund

Progress Date: COMPLETED - Fund has been established

The Family Safe Environment Fund (FSEF) provides councils with financial assistance to assist them in addressing issues around antisocial behaviour and discourage acts of vandalism and graffiti in its park lands and open spaces.

FSEF provides councils with financial assistance to assist them in addressing issues around antisocial behaviour and discourage acts of vandalism and graffiti in its park lands and open spaces.

The FSEF commenced on 1 January 2013 and is a \$250 000 per annum program. It is proposed that the Department will call for the 2013-14 applications in January 2014.

In 2012-13, seven councils were successful in receiving FSEF grants. The initiatives funded included:

- Improved park layout;
- Installation of CCTV cameras;
- Installation of additional lighting; and
- Improving entrances, exits and signage.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (2)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA - Leader of the Opposition

Question Explanations on all variations and discrepancies between CLP election commitments and the decisions and policies of Government since 1 July 2013.
Answer Nil.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	171 (3)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA - Leader of the Opposition

Question

Progress on all commitments and policy announcements made within Government press releases and media statements made since 1 July 2013

Answer

Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT):

On 3 April 2014, I announced that I would like to transfer some functions from the Department of Local Government and Regions to the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) as a way of enabling local government to have a greater role in managing itself.

This action was in line with an election commitment to expand the role of LGANT.

Mayor Damien Ryan, Chairman of LGANT, and I signed a "Statement of Intent" on 3 April 2014 launching a process of negotiations and discussion in relation to the nature of functions and funding to be transferred.

Those discussions are ongoing.

Legislation:

Following the 2012 Northern Territory general election, the government made a commitment to strengthen the existing local governance arrangements in regional and remote areas.

The first legislation to support this was the Local Government Amendment Act 2013. This introduced regional councils and local authorities to give a voice back to the people at a local level. On 1 January 2014, the eight 'super shires' were replaced by regional councils.

The Local Government Amendment (Restructuring) Act 2013 provided for restructuring orders to be made as necessary to facilitate the restructuring of local government. Restructuring orders are being used to create the new West Daly Regional Council.

Local Authorities:

Under the provisions of the *Local Government Amendment Act 2013*, 63 local authorities have been established across the Territory, and have been granted an additional \$5 million to fund local priority projects.

Local authorities are involved in all planning, service delivery and expenditure matters involving their local community.

Regional councils must report to their local authorities on local priority projects and must consider the issues raised by local authorities.

West Daly Regional Council:

Following a well-attended meeting between the clan groups in the West Daly region, the Chief Minister, myself and the Member for Daly, I announced that the Victoria Daly Regional Council will be split into two with a new West Daly Regional Council in the Wadeye-Peppimenarti-Palumpa area and the continuing Victoria Daly Regional Council in the remaining area.

A Transition Committee comprising 18 representatives from both the new and continuing council areas, the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory and both the Northern Territory and Australian Governments has been overseeing the transition.

All of the necessary tasks to create the new council, such as employment matters, asset transfers, financials and service delivery contracts, are all well advanced.

The *Local Government Amendment (Restructuring) Act 2013* provided for restructuring orders to be made as necessary to facilitate the restructuring of local government, and are being used to create the new West Daly Regional Council, which is on track for a 1 July 2014 commencement.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (4)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Explanations on all variations and discrepancies between commitments and policy announcements made within Government press releases and the actual implementation of Government policy and funding decisions.

Answer

Nil.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (5)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Progress on the implementation of all signed written contracts with Territory communities.

Answer

Referred to the Chief Minister to respond.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (6)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question:

Details on staff movements and all costs resulting from all Administrative Arrangement changes since 1 July 2013.

Answer:

Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment will provide details on staff movements.

The department did not incur any costs for the associated transfers of staff and assets under the changes to the Administrative Arrangement Orders of 10 September 2013.

All costs associated with the transfer of staff and assets to the new agencies were met by the receiving agency.

Budget transfers in relation to staff movements were required as a result of the Administrative Arrangement changes. The figures were as follows:

Animal Welfare branch to the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries.

Budget Transfer: \$1 046 000

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (7)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on staff movements and all costs including ministerial office relocation resulting from portfolio reshuffles since 1 July 2013.

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (8)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details and costs on all Government advertising and communications since 1 July 2013.

Answer

As at 31 March 2014, the total communication expenditure for the Department of Local Government and Regions was \$15 398.

Communications Expenditure – Department of Local Government and Regions as at 31 March 2014

Advertising	\$3529
Marketing and Promotions	\$11 869
Total	\$15 398

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (9)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on all government advertising in breach of the Public Information Act identified by the Auditor General since 1 July 2013.

Answer

The Department of Local Government and Regions has not been advised of any government advertising in breach of the Public Information Act by the Auditor General since 1 July 2013.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (10)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full breakdown of all ministerial office expenditure since 1 July 2013.

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister to respond.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (11)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

A full list of all forced redundancies across all agencies. An explanation for each redundancy on why it was necessary to breach the CLP's election commitment that no public servant would be sacked.

Answer

Referred to the Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment for response.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (12)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

A full list of all personnel who have left the Northern Territory Public Sector and then returned since 1 July 2013, including payout and settlement details.

Answer

Referred to the Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment for response.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (13)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on all Government tenders, contracts and grants awarded or granted since 1 July 2013 including whether the recipient is a member of the Country Liberal Party includes full location details for companies and organisations.

Answer

From 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014, the following Tier 2 (greater than \$15 000) and above contracts have been awarded:

See **Attachment A** for Consultants Expenditure.

See **Attachment B** for Grant Funding.

- 1 contract awarded with a total value of \$54 139.77, of which:
 - 1 select quotation/contract was awarded.
 - 1 consultancy services quotation/contract was awarded.
 - Nil quotations/contracts were awarded to interstate contractors.
- The Department is continuing to improve procurement practices to ensure opportunities are available for local businesses to tender for contracts.

Financial:**TOTAL PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES AWARDED as at 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014**

TIER	NUMBER OF ACTIVITES		AWARDED VALUE		NUMBER OF SELECT QUOTATIONS/TENDERS
	2012-2013	2013-2014	2012-2013	2013-2014	
Tier 2 (15-50)	1	0	48 840.00	0.00	1
Tier 3 (50-200)	0	1	0.00	54 139.77	1
Tier 4 (200-1)	0	0	0.00	0.00	0
Tier 5 (1-5)	0	0	0.00	0.00	0
Tier 6 (5-+)	0	0	0.00	0.00	0
TOTAL	1	1	48 840.00	54 139.77	2

CONSULTANCY SERVICES AWARDED as at 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014

TIER	NUMBER OF ACTIVITES	AWARD VALUE (\$)	NUMBER OF SELECT QUOTATIONS/TENDERS
Tier 2 (15-50)	0	0.00	0
Tier 3 (50-200)	1	54 139.77	1
Tier 4 (200-1)	0	0.00	0
Tier 5 (1-5)	0	0.00	0
Tier 6 (5-+)	0	0.00	0
TOTAL	1	54 139.77	1

INTERSTATE CONTRACTS AWARDED as at 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014

TIER	NUMBER OF ACTIVITES	AWARD VALUE (\$)	NUMBER OF SELECT QUOTATIONS/TENDERS
Tier 2 (15-50)	0	0.00	0
Tier 3 (50-200)	0	0.00	0
Tier 4 (200-1)	0	0.00	0
Tier 5 (1-5)	0	0.00	0
Tier 6 (5-+)	0	0.00	0
TOTAL	0	0.00	0

**DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND REGIONS
2014 ESTIMATES BRIEF**

Attachment A

to WQ171 (13)

WHOLE OF DEPARTMENT: DLGR

TITLE: CONSULTANTS EXPENDITURE

as at 31 March 2014

OUTPUT GROUP/ OUTPUT		Intrastate Consultants \$	Interstate Consultants \$	Total Consultants Expenses \$
1	Local Government and Regions	59 735	20 440	80 175
1.1	Local Government and Regions	59 735	20 440	80 175
2	Corporate and Governance	3,500	-	3 500
2.1	Corporate and Governance	3,500	-	3 500
2.2	Shared Services Received	-	-	-
DLGR TOTAL		63 235	20 440	83 675

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Action
Officer: Melanie Lei

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND REGIONS - LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS PROGRAM - ACTUAL GRANT EXPENDITURE UPTO 30																		
ORGANISATIONS	GENERAL PURPOSE & ROAD FUNDING	NT OPERATIONAL	RESERVES AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS			INDIGENOUS PROGRAM & LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT	SUPPORT PLACE MEASURING	SPECIAL PURPOSE GRANTS	FAMILY SAFE ENVIRONMENT FUND	CLOSING THE GAP	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FUNDING	LOCAL AUTHORITY ESTABLISHMENT FUND	REGIONAL COUNCIL SPENDING	WEST DAILY REGIONAL COUNCIL ESTABLISHMENT	NATIONAL DISASTER RESERVE RECOVERY APPOINTMENTS	AC- SPENDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS REGION	TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	
			NT OPERATIONAL	OTHER ORGANISATIONS	CONSERVATION													
Darwin Region																		
City of Darwin	1,256,283																1,256,283	
City of Palmerston	526,818																541,518	
Litchfield Council	1,158,813																1,239,813	
Coomalie Community Govern ment Council	152,661	213,046															629,607	
Belyuen Community Government council	22,965	21,669															162,916	
Wagait Shire Council	23,544	71,442															94,986	
Local Government Association of the NT	516,390																578,422	
CouncilBiz																	0	
Robbie Robbins Reserve																	54,375	
Yilli Breung Housing Aboriginal Corporation																	50,000	
Australia Day Council																	3,000	
TOTAL DARWIN REGION	3,657,474	306,157	107,375	9,468	0	379,465	14,700	74,249	62,032	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,610,920	
Arafura Region																		
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	493,641	652,378															1,902,779	
West Arnhem Regional Council	844,260	1,830,932															4,007,968	
Jabiru Town Development Association			65,250														65,250	
TOTAL ARAFURA REGION	1,337,901	2,483,310	65,250	1,055,687	264,000	51,407	0	335,082	100,000			70,000	213,360	0	0	0	5,975,997	
Big Rivers Region																		
Katherine Town Council	367,014		162,120														569,134	
Roper Gulf Regional Council	970,002	2,094,820	10,922	1,270,471	254,000	154,050											5,290,520	
Victoria Daly Regional Council	941,649	1,876,930		1,096,451	254,000	60,000											4,729,835	
Daly Water Progress Associat on			6,496			0											6,496	
Thamarrurr development Corporation																	0	
TOTAL BIG RIVERS REGION	2,278,665	3,971,750	179,538	2,366,922	508,000	254,050	0	265,535	150,000			180,000	372,960	68,565	0	0	10,595,985	
Barkly Region																		
Barkly Regional Council	788,208	2,142,598		756,204	132,000	117,936											4,325,066	
TOTAL BARKLY REGION	788,208	2,142,598	0	756,204	132,000	117,936	0	165,000				70,000	153,120	0	0	0	4,325,066	
Central Australian Region																		
Alice Springs Town Council	636,786																706,786	
Central Desert Regional Council	740,124	1,153,145		550,270	193,000	225,149											3,701,433	
MacDonnell Regional Council	1,050,429	2,053,717		1,040,070	254,000	385,600											5,631,331	
Bletherskite Park Reserve			145,000														145,000	
Warlpiri Youth Development Corporation																	0	
TOTAL CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN REGION	2,427,339	3,206,862	145,000	1,590,340	447,000	718,249	0	675,870	226,830			220,000	414,560	0	0	0	10,259,550	
East Arnhem Region																		
East Arnhem Regional Council	1,694,487	3,261,870		1,025,442	315,000	90,338											6,702,287	
Nhulunbuy Public Cemetery trust			10,000														10,000	
TOTAL EAST ARNHEM REGION	1,694,487	3,261,870	10,000	1,025,442	315,000	90,338	0	0				90,000	180,320	0	44,830	0	6,712,287	
GRAND TOTAL	12,394,674	15,122,555	3,300,663	5,300,663	1,330,000	1,117,936	0	1,330,000	1,330,000	0	0	1,330,000	1,330,000	68,565	44,830.4	187,500	42,479,804	

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (14)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on the procurement processes undertaken and the employment contracts for the employment within the Northern Territory public sector since 1 July 2013 of all former CLP and Liberal Party candidates and members of parliament at Territory or Federal level.

Answer

Employment of all public sector staff is undertaken based on the merit principle.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (15)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details and costs of all ministerial travel including accommodation, hospitality and flight details including flight travel class since 1 July 2013.

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister to respond.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (16)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details, costs and invitation lists for all ministerial hospitality since 1 July 2013.

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (17)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details, costs and invitation lists for all public service hospitality provided since 1 July 2013.

Answer

As at 31 March 2014.

Local Government and Regions: \$6000

Conference Dinners	
Australian Public Sector Anti-Corruption Sydney	\$ 886
Australian Centre for Excellence and Local Government	\$ 397
Local Government Association of the NT dinner x 2	\$ 167
AIM Meeting	\$ 50
MacDonnell Shire Council: Community Roll Out Plan	\$3818
Transition Committee Food (Victoria Daly Demerger) Katherine Meeting	\$ 435
Alyangula Community Meeting	\$ 170
October Business Month Dinner	\$ 68
TOTAL	\$5991

Corporate and Governance: \$1905

Corporate and Governance

Local Government Association of the NT dinner	\$ 84
Briefing to Departmental CE's regarding local government reform and men's health issues (in November)	\$ 552
Chief Minister's Award Dinner	\$ 360
Charles Darwin University Anniversary Dinner	\$ 909
TOTAL	\$1905

TOTAL: \$7905

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (18)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details and costs of all interstate or international public service travel, accommodation, hospitality and flight details including flight travel class since 1 July 2013.

Answer

Standard Class Description

Intra Territory Accommodation – Employees	\$ 21 668.31
Intra Territory Accommodation – non Employees	\$ 129.09
Intra Territory Accommodation – Other Expense	\$ 554.55
Interstate Accommodation – Employees	\$ 567.72
Official Duty Fares – Employee Intra Territory	\$ 22 291.51
Official Duty Fares – Non Employee Intra Territory	\$ 1007.27
Official Duty Fares – Intra Territory-Other Exp	\$ 1443.18
Official Duty Fares – Employee Interstate	\$ 1336.36
Air, Bus and Boat Charter	\$ 32 719.52
Intra Territory TA	\$ 26 533.16
Interstate TA	\$ 419.75
TOTAL	\$108 670.42

Corporate and Governance**Standard Class Description**

Intra Territory Accommodation – Employees	\$ 490.00
Intra Territory Accommodation – non Employees	\$ 840.91
Official Duty Fares – Employee Intra Territory	\$ 3335.45
Official Duty Fares – Employee Interstate	\$ 1098.67
Air, Bus and Boat Charter	\$ 368.18
Intra Territory TA	\$ 591.53
Interstate TA	\$ 377.27
TOTAL	\$ 7102.01

Grand Total: \$115 772.43

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (19)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

A breakdown of all water and other natural asset allocation granted by the Northern Territory Government since 26 August 2012 broken down by those granted to CLP members.

Answer

Referred to the Minister for Land Resource Management.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (20)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on all policy items, strategies, actual, estimates, budgets, forecasts, agencies outputs and funding decisions contained within the May 2014 budget.

Answer

Details can be found in the 2014-15 Budget Paper No 3. Specific questions will be addressed through the Estimates hearing process.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon. David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (21)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on all financial and economic data contained within Operating Statements, Balance Sheets, and Cash Flow Statements in the May 2014 budget.

Answer

Details can be found in the 2014-15 Budget Paper No. 3. Specific questions will be addressed through the Estimates hearing process.

Operating Statement

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	(a) 2012-13 Estimate	(b) 2013-14 Budget	(b-a) Variation	NOTE
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
INCOME				
Taxation revenue				
Grants and subsidies revenue				
Current	16 433	32 572	16 139	1
Capital				
Appropriation				
Output	41 247	52 464	11 217	2
Commonwealth	150		- 150	3
Sales of goods and services	1 534	1 720	186	4
Interest revenue				
Goods and services received free of charge	200	200		
Gain(+)/loss(-) on disposal of assets				
Other revenue				
TOTAL INCOME	59 564	86 956	27 392	
EXPENSES				
Employee expenses	5 666	5 224	- 442	5
Administrative expenses				
Purchases of goods and services	4 303	3 269	- 1 034	6
Repairs and maintenance				
Depreciation and amortisation				
Services free of charge	200	200		
Other administrative expenses				
Grants and subsidies expenses				
Current	53 557	77 264	23 707	7
Capital	999	999		
Community service obligations				
Interest expenses				
TOTAL EXPENSES	64 725	86 956	22 231	
NET SURPLUS(+)/DEFICIT(-)	- 5 161		5 161	

Operating Statement Variations - 2013-14 Estimate vs. 2014-15 Budget

Note	\$000	Variation Explanation
1	+16 139	<u>Current Grants Revenue</u>
	+16 327	2013-14 Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants in the form of general purpose grants and local road grants paid in advance in 2012-13.
	-188	Offset by: One-off Commonwealth funding in 2013-14 under the Indigenous Communities Strategic Investment Program for swimming pools in Remote Communities, ceasing in 2013-14.
2	+11 217	<u>Output Appropriation</u>
	+10 235	2013-14 Northern Territory Operational Subsidy grants pool for regional councils paid in advance in 2012-13.

	+5 000	Additional funding from 2014-15 for local authorities to support the financial sustainability of regional councils.
	+700	Net increase in funding allocation in 2014-15 for Local Government Reform due to bringing forward of funds from 2013-14 to 2012-13.
		Offset by:
	-2 010	Additional one-off Northern Territory funding in 2013-14 for unforeseen agency operating costs.
	-1 378	Budget parameter adjustments (CPI and Efficiency Dividends) and across government savings measures.
	-1 330	2014-15 Northern Territory Government Indigenous Matching Jobs Program funds brought forward to 2013-14.
3	-150	<u>Commonwealth Appropriation</u>
	-150	One-off Commonwealth funding in 2013-14 for Quality Measurement of Asset and Financial Management Data.
4	+186	<u>Sale of Goods & Services</u>
	+186	Additional own-source rates revenue in 2014-15.
5	-442	<u>Employee Expenses</u>
	-470	One-off transfer of budget in 2013-14 from un-allocated current grants to employee expenses, for the establishment of the policy and special projects business unit.
	-370	One-off Northern Territory funds carried forward from 2012-13 to 2013-14 for Regional Governance
		Offset by:
	+345	Net increase in employee expenses funding allocation in 2014-15 for Local Government Reform due to higher bringing forward of funds from 2013-14 to 2012-13.
	+53	Budget parameter adjustments (CPI and Efficiency Dividends) and across government savings measures.
6	-1 034	<u>Purchase of Goods and Services</u>
	-539	Commonwealth funding carried over from 2012-13 to 2013-14 for Community Engagement Funding ceasing in 2013-14.
	-484	Additional own-source rates revenue in 2013-14.
	-150	One-off Commonwealth funding in 2013-14 for Quality Measurement of Asset and Financial Management Data.
	-100	One-off Northern Territory funds carried forward from 2012-13 to

		2013-14 for Regional Governance
	-47	Budget parameter adjustments (CPI and Efficiency Dividends) and across government savings measures.
	-37	One-off budget transfer in 2013-14 from un-allocated current grants to purchase of goods and services, for the establishment of the policy and special projects business unit.
		Offset by:
	+323	Net increase in purchase of goods and services expenses funding allocation in 2014-15 for Local Government Reform due to bringing forward of funds from 2013-14 to 2012-13 and a transfer of funds to employee expenses.
7	+23 707	<u>Current Grants Expense</u>
	+16 327	2013-14 Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants in the form of general purpose grants and local road grants paid in advance in 2012-13.
	+10 235	2013-14 Northern Territory Operational Subsidy grants pool for regional councils paid in advance in 2012-13.
	+5 000	Additional funding from 2014-15 for local authorities to support the financial sustainability of regional councils.
	+1 021	Budget parameter adjustments (CPI and Efficiency Dividends) and across government savings measures.
	+507	One-off budget transfer in 2013-14 from un-allocated current grants to purchase of goods and services and employee expenses, for the establishment of the policy and special projects business unit.
		Offset by:
	-2 120	Australian Government funded Indigenous Matching Jobs Program ceased in 2013-14.
	-2 010	Additional one-off Territory funding in 2013-14 for unforeseen agency operating costs.
	-2 000	Funds carried forward from 2012-13 to 2013-14 for Closing the Gap Local Representative Boards and Community Infrastructure.
	-1 735	Northern Territory Government Indigenous Matching Jobs Program funding reduction in 2014-15.
	-1 330	2014-15 Northern Territory Government Indigenous Matching Jobs Program funds brought forward to 2013-14.
	-188	One-off Commonwealth funding in 2013-14 under the Indigenous Communities Strategic Investment Program for swimming pools in

		Remote Communities, ceasing in 2013-14.
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Balance Sheet

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	(a) 2012-13 Estimate	(b) 2013-14 Budget	(b-a) 2013-14 Budget	NOTE
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
ASSETS				
Cash and deposits	3 211	3 211		
Receivables	60	60		
Prepayments				
Inventories				
Advances and investments	1 000	1 000		
Property, plant and equipment	3 600	3 600		
Other assets				
TOTAL ASSETS	7 871	7 871		
LIABILITIES				
Deposits held	3 243	3 243		
Creditors and accruals	188	188		
Borrowings and advances				
Provisions	698	698		
Other liabilities				
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4 129	4 129		
NET ASSETS	3 742	3 742		
EQUITY				
Capital				
Opening balance	6 761	6 852	91	
Equity injections/withdrawals	91		- 91	1
Reserves	1 805	1 805		
Accumulated funds				
Opening balance	246	- 4 915	- 5 161	
Current year surplus(+)/deficit(-)	- 5 161		5 161	
Accounting policy changes and corrections				
TOTAL EQUITY	3 742	3 742		

Balance Sheet Variations - 2013-14 Estimate vs. 2014-15 Budget

Note	\$000	Variation Explanation
1	-91	<u>Equity injections / Withdrawals</u>
	-91	Transfer Animal Welfare function to the Department of Primary Industry and Fisheries from 1 July 2014; as per Administrative Arrangement Orders 10 September 2013.

Cash Flow Statement

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	(a) 2012-13 Estimate	(b) 2013-14 Budget	(b-a) 2013-14 Budget	NOTE
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Operating receipts				
Taxes received				
Grants and subsidies received				
Current	16 433	32 572	16 139	1
Capital				
Appropriation				
Output	41 247	52 464	11 217	2
Commonwealth	150		- 150	3
Other agency receipts from sales of goods and services	1 534	1 720	186	4
Interest received				
Total operating receipts	59 364	86 756	27 392	
Operating payments				
Payments to employees	5 753	5 224	- 529	5
Payments for goods and services	4 307	3 269	- 1 038	6
Grants and subsidies paid				
Current	53 557	77 264	23 707	7
Capital	999	999		
Community service obligations				
Interest paid				
Total operating payments	64 616	86 756	22 140	
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	- 5 252		5 252	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Investing receipts				
Proceeds from asset sales				
Repayment of advances				
Sales of investments				
Total investing receipts				
Investing payments				
Purchases of assets				
Advances and investing payments				
Total investing payments				
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Financing receipts				
Proceeds of borrowings				
Deposits received				
Appropriation	91			
Capital				
Commonwealth				
Equity injections	91		- 91	8
Total financing receipts	91		- 91	
Financing payments				
Repayment of borrowings				
Finance lease payments				
Equity withdrawals				
Total financing payments				
NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	91		- 91	
Net increase(+)/decrease(-) in cash held	- 5 161		5 161	
Cash at beginning of financial year	8 372	3 211	- 5 161	
CASH AT END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	3 211	3 211		

Cash flow Statement Variations - 2013-14 Estimate vs. 2014-15 Budget

Note	\$000	Variation Explanation
1	+16 139	<u>Current Grants Revenue</u>
	+16 327	2013-14 Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants in the form of general purpose grants and local road grants paid in advance in 2012-13.
	-188	Offset by: One-off Commonwealth funding in 2013-14 under the Indigenous Communities Strategic Investment Program for swimming pools in Remote Communities, ceasing in 2013-14.
2	+11 217	<u>Output Appropriation</u>
	+10 235	2013-14 Northern Territory Operational Subsidy grants pool for regional councils paid in advance in 2012-13.
	+5 000	Additional funding from 2014-15 for local authorities to support the financial sustainability of regional councils.
	-2 010	Offset by: Additional one-off Territory funding in 2013-14 for unforeseen agency operating costs.
	-1 330	2014-15 Northern Territory Government Indigenous Matching Jobs Program funds brought forward to 2013-14.
	-678	Budget parameter adjustments (CPI and Efficiency Dividends) and across government savings measures.
3	-150	<u>Commonwealth Appropriation</u>
	-150	One-off Commonwealth funding in 2013-14 for Quality Measurement of Asset and Financial Management Data.
4	+186	<u>Sale of Goods & Services</u>
	+186	Additional own-source rates revenue in 2014-15
5	-529	<u>Employee Expenses</u>
	-345	Net decrease in employee expenses funding allocation in 2013-14 for Local Government Reform due to bringing forward of funds from 2014-15 to 2013-14.
	-97	Budget parameter adjustments (CPI and Efficiency Dividends) and across government savings measures.
6	-1 038	<u>Purchase of Goods and Services</u>
	-539	Commonwealth funding carried over from 2012-13 to 2013-14 for Community Engagement Funding ceasing in 2013-14.
	-484	Additional own-source rates revenue in 2013-14.

7	-150	One-off Commonwealth funding in 2013-14 for Quality Measurement of Asset and Financial Management Data.
		Offset by:
	139	Budget parameter adjustments (CPI and Efficiency Dividends) and across government savings measures.
	+23 707	<u>Current Grants Expense</u>
	+16 327	2013-14 Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants in the form of general purpose grants and local road grants paid in advance in 2012-13.
	+10 235	2013-14 Northern Territory Operational Subsidy grants pool for regional councils paid in advance in 2012-13.
	+5 000	Additional funding from 2014-15 for local authorities to support the financial sustainability of regional councils.
		Offset by:
	-2 120	Australian Government funded Indigenous Matching Jobs Program ceased in 2013-14.
	-2 010	Additional one-off Territory funding in 2013-14 for unforeseen agency operating costs.
	-2 000	Funds carried forward from 2012-13 to 2013-14 for Closing the Gap Local Representative Boards and Community Infrastructure.
	-1 735	Northern Territory Government Indigenous Matching Jobs Program funding reduction in 2014-15.
	-1 528	Budget parameter adjustments (CPI and Efficiency Dividends) and across government savings measures.
8	-1 330	2014-15 Northern Territory Government Indigenous Matching Jobs Program funds brought forward to 2013-14.
	-188	One-off Commonwealth funding in 2013-14 under the Indigenous Communities Strategic Investment Program for swimming pools in Remote Communities, ceasing in 2013-14.
	-91	<u>Equity injections</u>
	-91	Transfer Animal Welfare function to the Department of Primary Industry and Fisheries from 1 July 2014; as per Administrative Arrangement Orders 10 September 2013.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (22)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details including impact statements and implementation plans on all agency savings (sic) the May 2014 Budget.

Answer

Agency savings in the 2014-15 budget consist of;

- Own source revenue of \$570,000 raised through the *Darwin Rates Act*. This revenue is already being achieved in 2013-14 without any further increase in rates.
- \$30 000 in general administrative savings.
- \$25 000 Whole of Government savings strategy achieved through more efficient processes surrounding travel and multifunction devices (e.g., printer/ fax/ photocopier).

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (23)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on all information and data contained within the fiscal strategy, updated fiscal outlook, risks to the updated financial projections, expenses and capital investment, intergovernmental revenue and territory taxes and royalties.

Answer

Referred to the Department of Treasury and Finance.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (24)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on all information and data contained within the capital works program and estimated capital expenditure across all Government agencies and corporations.

Answer

Not applicable.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (25)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details of all revenue measures including new taxes and tax increases including levies and charges in Budget 2014. Details include risk impact statements, community and industry consultation plans, economic modelling and revenue projections.

Answer

Not applicable.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (26)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on the operational impacts across all Government entities as a result of all Government decisions and policies.

Answer

Refer to Questions 1 and 3. Specific Questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (27)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on the operational impacts across all Government entities as a result of Government's savings measures.

Answer

Refer to Questions 1 and 3. Specific Questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (28)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on the operational impacts across non-government agencies as a result of all Government funding, decisions and policies.

Answer

Non-government organisations are external to the Budget. This question should be posed to relevant non-government organisations.

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Response to Written Question

Minister	The Hon. David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (29)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on the impacts across all Government entities as a result of all increases in Government and government corporation charges, prices and tariffs since August 26, 2012.

Answer

- Utility cost for the department for the financial year to 31 March 2014 was \$4504 for power charges for departmental offices.
- Power expenditure compared to the same period in 2012-13 is 103 per cent higher primarily due to timing differences in invoice payments with a smaller component of the increase attributable to higher power tariffs.

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Response to Written Question

Minister	The Hon. David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (29)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on the impacts across all Government entities as a result of all increases in Government and government corporation charges, prices and tariffs since August 26, 2012.

Answer

- Utility cost for the department for the financial year to 31 March 2014 was \$4504, of which is for power charges associated with power for departmental offices.
- Power expenditure is 103 per cent higher than recorded for the same period in the 2012-13 financial year. This is principally explained by timing issues of payment of also an increase in tariffs for power of 20 per cent 1 January 2013, with an additional increase in power tariffs 5 per cent 1 January 2014.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (30)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on all information and data contained within the two most recent Report on Government Services.

Answer

Reports are publicly available.

Specific questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (31)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on all information and data contained within all Annual Reports produced by all Government entities across the last two financial years.

Answer

Reports are publically available.

Specific questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (32)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on all information and data contained within any report produced by a Statutory Authority of the Northern Territory Government within the last five years and full details on any and all actions of all Government entities in response to the report or related to the report.

Answer

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate.
Specific questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (33)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on all information and data contained within any report commissioned by the Northern Territory Government and produced within the last five years and full details on any and all actions of all Government entities in response to the report or related to the report.

Answer

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate. Specific questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (34)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details on all information, data and forecasts contained with reports produced in the last two years in relation to the Northern Territory from Deloitte Access Economics, CommSec, Sensis, Australian Property Monitors, Housing Industry Association, Property Council, Master Builders Association and ANZ including the response from Government entities to these reports.

Answer

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate. Specific Questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (35)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Full details and all information and data produced by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in relation to the Northern Territory in the last two years, including the response of Government entities to these reports.

Answer

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate. Specific Questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (36)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Details on all reports and data published on Northern Territory websites.

Answer

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate. Specific Questions will be addressed through the estimates hearing process.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (37)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What is the detailed annual power bill of each government building owned/leased/used by each department.

Answer

Referred to the Department of Corporate and Information Services.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (38)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What is the detailed breakdown of Corporate and Governance output of each department?

Answer

Refer to 2014-15 Budget Paper No. 3.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (39)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What is the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on overseas travel in 2013/14?
What was the itinerary for each overseas trip undertaken by Ministers in 2013/14?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (40)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

For each overseas trip:

- What was the purpose of the travel?
- How many advisors accompanied the Minister?
- How many Members of the Legislative Assembly accompanied the Minister?
- How many public sector employees or statutory officers accompanied the Minister?
- How many independent media representatives accompanied the Minister?
- How many private citizens accompanied the Minister?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon. David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (41)
From	Ms Lawrie

Question

What is the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on overseas travel in 2013/14?

Answer

There was NIL overseas travel for the Department of Local Government and Regions from 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon. David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (42)
From	Ms Lawrie

Question

For each overseas trip:

- a) What was the purpose of travel?
- b) How many public sector employees or statutory officers travelled overseas?
- c) How many members of the Legislative Assembly travelled with the Agency/Authority?
- d) What was the itinerary for the travel?

Answer

There was NIL overseas travel for the Department of Local Government and Regions from 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (43)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Were any external consultants or advisers contracted by Ministers in 2013/14? If so, for each Minister?

- How many external advisers or consultants were contracted?
- Which consultants were contracted?
- What was the cost of each consultancy?
- What was the purpose of each consultancy?
- Were tenders or expressions of interest invited?
- If not, why not?

Answer

Refer to Question 13.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (44)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Were any external consultants or advisers contracted by Government Agencies or Authorities in 2013/14? If so:

- g. How many external advisers or consultants were contracted?
- h. Which consultants were contracted?
- i. What was the cost of each consultancy?
- J. What was the purpose of each consultancy?
- k. Were tenders or expressions of interest invited?
- l. If not, why not?

Answer

Refer to Question 13.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (45)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What was the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on official hospitality in 2013/14?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (46) (a)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

In relation to each occasion on which official hospitality was undertaken:

- a. What was the purpose of the hospitality?
- b. How many guests attended?
- c. How many Ministers attended?
- d. What was the total cost incurred?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (46) (b)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What was the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on official hospitality in 2013/14?

Answer

Refer to Question 17.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (47)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

In relation to each occasion on which official hospitality was undertaken:

- a. What was the purpose of the hospitality?
- b. How many guests attended?
- c. How many Ministers attended?
- d. How many public sector employees attended?
- e. What was the total cost incurred?

Answer

Refer to Question 17.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (48)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Were any gifts received by Ministers in 2013/14? If so, for each Minister:

- a. What gifts were received?
- b. What is the estimated value of each gift?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (49)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What is the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on advertising in 2013/14?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (50)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

For each advertisement:

- What was the purpose/description of the advertisement?
- Who was the advertisement placed with?
- What was the production cost?
- What was the design cost?
- Were tenders or expressions of interest called? If not, why not?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Question

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (51)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What is the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on advertising in 2013/14?

Answer

As at 31 March 2014, the total advertising expenditure for the Department of Local Government and Regions was \$3529.

- Print advertising expenditure was \$850. Radio advertising expenditure was \$2574.

Advertising Expenditure as at 31 March 2014 – Department of Local Government and Regions	
Print advertising	\$850
Radio advertising	\$2574
Directory listing	\$105
Total	\$3529

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (52)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

For each advertisement?

f. What was the purpose / description of the advertisement?

g. Who was the advertisement placed with?

h. What was the production cost?

i. What was the design cost?

Answer

The Department of Local Government and Regions' advertising spend of \$3529 is made up of two campaigns plus a generic directory listing:

Campaigns	Print	Radio	Total
Promote public consultation for Review of Local Governance (Your Council, Your Voice.)		2574	2574
ALICE SPRINGS COMMERCIAL BROADCASTERS		2574	2574
Promote public consultation for Review of the 2012 Local Government General Elections	850		850
NORTH AUSTRALIAN NEWS PTY LTD-KATHERINE TIMES	270		270
ARAFURA TIMES	220		220
TENNANT & DISTRICT TIMES	360		360
Directory Listing Local Government general	105		105
Total Advertising	955	2574	3529

Production cost all advertising - nil.

Design cost all advertising - nil.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (53)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Has any Minister or Ministerial Advisor engaged in formal or informal communications with L and B McFarlane (or their representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license? If so?

- Which Ministers and Ministerial Advisors have engaged in the communications?
- What was the substance of the communications?
- When did the communications take place?

Answer

Referred to the Office of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (54)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Has any Minister or Ministerial Advisor engaged in formal or informal communications with Peter Maley (or their representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction licence? If so:

- Which Ministers and Ministerial Advisors have engaged in the communications?
- What was the substance of the communications?
- When did the communications take place?

Answer

Referred to the Office of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (55)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What are the details by project of revoted capital works in all Departments and Government Authorities?

Answer

Refer to Question 24.

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Response to Written Question

Minister	Hon David William Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (56)																										
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition																										
Question: By classification and level, how many permanent employees are currently employed in Government Agencies and Statutory Authorities?																											
Answer: <p>As at Pay 20, 31 March 2014 there were 70 employees by headcount in the Department of Local Government and Region, 33 of the 70 were permanent employees. The actual FTE total for the same period was 45.6 FTE of which 30.6 FTE were permanent employees at this time.</p> <p>Permanent Employees (Ongoing) as at 31 March 2014, by Headcount.</p> <table> <tr> <th>Paid Classification</th><th>Permanent Employees</th></tr> <tr><td>AO2</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>AO3</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>AO4</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>AO5</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>AO6</td><td>12</td></tr> <tr><td>AO7</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>SAO1</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>SAO2</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>EO1C</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>EO4C</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Board Member</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Grand Total</td><td>33</td></tr> </table>		Paid Classification	Permanent Employees	AO2	1	AO3	1	AO4	2	AO5	1	AO6	12	AO7	4	SAO1	10	SAO2	2	EO1C		EO4C		Board Member		Grand Total	33
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Permanent Employees (Ongoing) as at 31 March 2014, by Full-Time Equivalent (FTE).

Paid Classification	Permanent Employees
AO2	1
AO3	1
AO4	2
AO5	1
AO6	11.9
AO7	3.7
SAO1	8
SAO2	2
EO1C	
EO4C	
Board Member	
Grand Total	30.6

*Totals may not add due to rounding.

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Response to Written Question

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (57)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question:

By classification and level, how many temporary employees are currently employed in Government Agencies and Statutory Authorities?

Answer:

As at Pay 20, 31 March 2014 there were 37 employees on temporary fixed period employee contracts. 22 of the 37 employees on temporary contract were Board Members. Four Board Members on the Northern Territory Grants Commission, two on the Local Government Disciplinary Committee and 16 of the 22 Board Members on the Regional Governance Working Group.

As at 31 March 2014, Pay 20, the actual FTE total of temporary employees for the Department of Local Government and Regions was 15 FTE and this reflects 1 FTE being a Board Member.

**Employees on Temporary Contract (Fixed Period Contract) as at 31 March 2014,
by Headcount.**

Paid Classification	Temporary Contract
O2	
AO3	
AO4	2
AO5	
AO6	2
AO7	3
SAO1	1
SAO2	
EO1C	6
EO4C	1
Board Member	22
Grand Total	37

**Employees on Temporary Contract (Fixed Period Contract) as at 31 March 2014,
by Full-Time Equivalent (FTE).**

Paid Classification	Temporary Contract
AO2	
AO3	
AO4	1.6
AO5	
AO6	2
AO7	2.6
SAO1	0.8
SAO2	
EO1C	6
EO4C	1
Board Member	1
Grand Total	15

*Totals may not add due to rounding.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (58)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

How many NT Government Statutory Boards are there in the Northern Territory?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (59)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

For each Statutory Board:

- Who are the current members and when were they appointed?
- What was the total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14?
- What was the itemised total cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14?
- How many times did the Board meet in 2013/14?

Answer

Jabiru Town Development Authority

- Current members:

Mr Alan Donald Tietzel – Appointed 28 September 2010

Mr Justin O'Brien – nominated October 2008

Mr Marc Andrew Smith – Appointed 4 July 2012

Councillor Peter Alexander Wilson – Appointed 4 July 2012; appointed Deputy Chair 30 April 2013

Ms Sibylle Brautigam – Appointed 30 April 2013

- Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **Nil**
- Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **Nil**
- The Jabiru Town Development Authority Board met **four times** in 2013/14.

Blatherskate Park Board of Trustees

a. Current members and when they were appointed:

Ms Barbara Glover – Appointed 20/04/2001

Mr Bradden Anthony Bellette – Appointed 10/11/2008

Mr David Allen Cunningham – Appointed 23/06/2006

Mr Harry Newton Cook – Appointed 08/01/2011

Mr Stewart Adcock – Appointed 23/06/2006

Mr Wulf Pfau – Appointed 14/12/2012

b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **Nil**

c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **Nil**

d. The Blatherskate Park Board of Trustees met **as required** in 2013/14.

Northern Territory Grants Commission

a. Current members and when they were appointed:

Mr Allan McGill – Appointed 13 September 2013

Mr Bob Beadman – Appointed 1 November 2002

Mr Damien Ryan – Appointed 1 September 2011

Mr Steven Hennessy – Appointed 11 May 2010

b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **\$38 947.75**

c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14 is:

Sitting Fees: \$ 3847.75

Transport Expenses: \$ 9709.99

Travelling Expenses: \$ 6044.42

Other: \$ 6725.89

Chairman's remuneration: \$ 35 100.00

Administrative Support: \$118 639.06

d. The Northern Territory Grants Commission met **four times** in 2013/14.

Robbie Robins Reserve Board of Trustees

a. Current members:

Mr Bruce William Bremner – Appointed 15/01/2013

Ms Elaine Margaret Gardiner – Appointed 29/03/2010

Mrs Joan Patricia Hassell – Appointed 25/05/1995

Mr John McDonald – Appointed 06/01/2010

Mrs Marguerite Helen Gayosa – Appointed 31/03/1998

Mr William Edward Josephs – Appointed 28/08/2006

b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **Nil**

c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **Nil**

d. The Robbie Robins Reserve Board of Trustees met **as required** in 2013/14.

Local Government (Administration and Legislation Advisory Committee)

a. Current members and when they were appointed:

Mr Allan McGill – Appointed September 2013

Mr Ben Domier – Appointed February 2013

Ms Cathryn Hutton – Appointed September 2013

Mr Derrick Tranter – Appointed 2009

Ms Jeanette Anictomatis – Appointed September 2012

Ms Lee Williams – Appointed May 2010

Mr Mark Blackburn – Appointed September 2012

Mr Tony Tapsell – Appointed March 2009

b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **Nil**

c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **Nil**

d. The Local Government (Administration and Legislation Advisory Committee) met **four times** in 2013/14.

Local Government Accounting Advisory Committee

a. Current members:

Mr Greg Arnott – Appointed 8 August 2011

Ms Julie Bryce – Appointed 8 August 2011

Ms Julie Chrisp – Appointed 8 August 2011

Mr Lawrence Autencio – Appointed 30 April 2013

Mr Marc Gardner – Appointed 8 August 2011

Ms Meeta Ramkumar – Appointed 2 November 2012

Mr Miles Craighead – Appointed 16 May 2013

Mr Muhammad Waqas – Appointed 8 August 2011

Mr Neil Murray – Appointed 8 August 2011

Mr Tony Tapsell – Appointed 8 August 2011

b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **The Committee is not remunerated.**

c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **Nil**

d. The Local Government Accounting Advisory Committee met **four times** in 2013/14

First Local Government Disciplinary Committee

a. Current members:

Ms Gabrielle Lovegrove Martin – Appointed 23 July 2012

Mr Garry Alfred – Appointed 23 July 2012

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b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **Nil**

c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **Nil**

d. The First Local Government Disciplinary Committee met **Nil times** in 2013/14

Second Local Government Disciplinary Committee

a. Current members:

Mr Damien John Ryan – Appointed 30 April 2013

Mr Iain Summers – Appointed 30 April 2013

Ms Ruth Ellen Brebner – Appointed 30 April 2013

- b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **Nil**
- c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **Nil**
- d. The Second Local Government Disciplinary Committee met **nil times** in 2013/14

Third Local Government Disciplinary Committee

a. Current members:

Ms Gabrielle Martin – Appointed 3 July 2013

Mr Garry Lambert – Appointed 3 July 2013

Mr Iain Summers – Appointed 3 July 2013

- b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **\$402.30**
- c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **\$402.30 for remuneration expenses only.**
- d. The Third Local Government Disciplinary Committee met **two times** in 2013/14

Fourth Local Government Disciplinary Committee

a. Current members:

Ms Gabrielle Martin – Appointed 20 August 2013

Mr Garry Lambert – Appointed 20 August 2013

Mr Iain Summers – Appointed 20 August 2013

- b. Total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14: **\$4149.50**
- c. Itemised cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14: **\$4149.50 for remuneration expenses only.**
- d. The Third Local Government Disciplinary Committee met **three times** in 2013/14

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (60)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What was the total expenditure on grants to non-government organisations in 2013/14?

Answer

Refer to Question 13.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (61)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

What was the total estimated allocation for grants to non-government organisations in 2014/15?

Answer

Details can be found in the 2014-15 Budget Paper No. 3.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (62)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Would you provide whole of Government tables showing:

- a. The amount granted to each non-government organisation in 2013/14?
- b. The estimated grant to each non-government organisation in 2014/15?

Answer

Refer to Question 13.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (63)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

Please list all reviews currently being undertaken by the agency, estimated date of release of report and costs incurred to date.

Answer

Nil.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (64)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

For each Government Agency and Authority how many Certificates of Exemption were issued in 2013/14?

Answer

For the period ended 31 March 2014 the Department of Local Government and Regions issued one Certificate of Exemption.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (65)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

For each Certificate of Exemption:

- What is the description of the goods and services contracted?
- What is the value of the goods and services?
- Why was the Certificate of Exemption required?

Answer

- What is the description of the goods and services contracted?

The procurement was a consultancy to provide an updated report on the financial viability and sustainability of the Territory's eight Regional Councils and three smaller shire councils.

- What is the value of the goods and services? \$49,000
- Why was the Certificate of Exemption required?

In 2012 the former Department of Housing, Local Government and Regional Services procured the services of a local accounting firm which reviewed the financial sustainability of the Northern Territory's eight regional and three smaller shire councils and issued its key findings and recommendations in a report titled "Review of Councils' Financial Sustainability".

In 2013, as part of the review of Local Government, the Department of Local Government and Regions issued a Certificate of Exemption to engage the same accounting firm to review the key findings of its 2012 report and assess the progress that had been made in regards to implementation of the report's recommendations and to highlight any outstanding issues relating to regional council viability and sustainability.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (66)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

To each Minister re: Fundraising:

- a. Have you held any CLP fundraising events in your Ministerial Office Suite?
- b. If so, how many times has your official office been used for fundraising activities?
- c. What dates did you hold these functions?
- d. Did you pay the Parliament for the use of the offices in this way?
- e. Did the CLP pay for alcohol or did the taxpayer?

Answer

Minister's office to respond.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (67)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

To each Minister in regards to Travel:

- a. How many trips overseas have you taken in the last 12 months?
- b. How many staff accompanied you?
- c. Who accompanied you?
- d. How much was the travelling allowance?
- e. What class of air travel did you take?
- f. Did you use your Ministerial phone while overseas?
- g. What was the total cost of phone calls from overseas?
- h. Did your staff use their Government issued phones?
- i. What was the total cost of their phone call from overseas?
- j. Did your spouse accompany you on any trips?
- k. Did your children accompany you on any trips?

Answer

Referred to Office of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (68)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

To each Minister in regards cars:

- a. How much did you spend on your taxpayer funded petrol card last financial year?
- b. How much was your lease?
- c. Was any damage incurred to your car in the last financial year?
- d. If so what was the cost?
- e. Was the accident reported to police?
- f. Did police attend?
- g. Who was in the wrong?
- h. Were any charges laid?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (69)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

To each Minister regarding credit cards:

- a. Do you have a Ministerial credit card?
- b. How much has been spent on the credit card in the last 12 months?
- c. What do you use it for?
- d. How much has been spent on entertainment?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (70)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

To each Minister regarding alcohol:

- a. How much has your office spent on alcohol in the last 12 months?
- b. What type of alcohol is purchased?
- c. Are spirits purchases?
- d. Is the alcohol used for official functions or for personal use?
- e. Who is entitled to access the office alcohol?

Answer

Referred to the Department of the Chief Minister.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (71)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

For each agency please provide an itemised breakdown for spending associated with promoting the budget for the 2012 mini budget, the 2013 budget and the 2014 budget.

Answer

Referred to Department of Treasury and Finance.

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Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Local Government and Regions
Agency	Department of Local Government and Regions

Question Reference	WQ171 (72)
From	Delia Lawrie MLA – Leader of the Opposition

Question

For each agency please provide a breakdown of public service staffing levels by FTE, total numbers and by employment levels for 13/14 and projected for 14/15.

Answer

Refer to questions 56 and 57 for 2013-14. Detail for 2014-15 is not known, but not expected to be substantially different to 2013-14.