

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

No. 1

WRITTEN QUESTION

J Davis to the Minister for Corrections, Hon Gerard Maley MLA:

Youth detention

- 1. What is the cost per day of detaining youth in the Don Dale Youth Detention Centre and in the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre?
- 2. What proportion of youth detainees are on remand?
- 3. What is the cost of bringing a youth to Alice Springs from Darwin to appear in court?
- 4. During the refurbishment of the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre when it was operating at reduced capacity in 2022, 2023 and 2024, on how many occasions was a youth transferred from Darwin to Alice Springs to appear in court?
- 5. How many days on average have youth detainees spent on remand before they are sentenced?
- 6. In 2022, 2023 and 2024 how many youth detainees were ordered to be released on the day they were sentenced?
- 7. In 2022, 2023 and 2024 on how many occasions has a request submitted by an Alice Springs or Tennant Creek based lawyer to confer with a youth detainee on remand by video link been granted, and then cancelled or postponed by the Don Dale Youth Detention Centre?
- 8. In 2022, 2023 and 2024 on how many occasions was a matter listed for a youth to appear in the Youth Court at Alice Springs or Tennant Creek, but the youth failed to appear because they were in detention at the Don Dale Youth Detention Centre and were not transferred to court to appear?
- 9. In 2022, 2023 and 2024 what was the average number of days that passed between the lodging of a request by a lawyer in Alice Springs or Tennant Creek to confer with a client on remand at the Don Dale Youth Detention Centre by video link, and the day when the video link conference was actually conducted?

10. In 2022, 2023 and 2024 on how many occasions did a defence lawyer apply for an adjournment in the Youth Court at Alice Springs or Tennant Creek on the ground that they had been unable to confer with their client on remand at the Don Dale Youth Detention Centre to get instructions?