



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

14th Assembly

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 1

12.20 pm, Tuesday, 11 May 2021
Litchfield Room

Present: Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnston (Chair)
Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim
Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen (via teleconference)
Mr Bill Yan MLA, Member for Namatjira
Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura

Secretariat: Mr Russell Keith, First Clerk Assistant and Committee Secretary
Ms Elise Dyer, Senior Research Officer
Mr Harry Lane, Administration/Research Officer
Ms Julia Knight, Committee Secretary

1. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR

The Chair called for nominations for Deputy Chair.

Mr Costa nominated Mr Monaghan to be the Deputy Chair. Mr Bowden seconded the nomination.

Mr Yan nominated to be Deputy Chair. Mrs Lambley seconded the nomination.

There being more than one nomination the Chair asked the Secretary to conduct a ballot between the Members proposed in a similar manner to that in Standing Order 236.

The Secretary announced the result of the ballot to be Mr Monaghan 3 votes and Mr Yan 2 votes.

As Mr Monaghan had a majority of votes the Chair declared Mr Monaghan to be Deputy Chair.

2. MEDIA RELEASES

Mr Monaghan moved and Mr Costa Seconded:

That pursuant to Standing Order 194(4), the Committee authorises the Chair of the Committee to issue media releases and give briefings on matters relating to its inquiry.

3. SCHEDULE OF MINISTERIAL APPEARANCES

The Committee discussed the draft Schedule of Ministerial Appearances circulated by the Chair. The Committee agreed to amend the proposed schedule and publish upon agreement to the amended Schedule via email.

4. AGENDA FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF OUTPUTS

The Committee reviewed the draft Agenda for the Consideration of Outputs. The Secretary noted that the draft Agenda will be reviewed by agency secretariats to confirm Ministerial responsibility for outputs.

Mr Costa moved and Mr Yan seconded:

That the Chair be authorised to finalise and publish the Agenda for the Consideration of Outputs.

5. HEARING ARRANGEMENTS AND COVID SAFETY PLAN

The Committee endorsed the Estimates Hearings COVID Safety Plan.

6. ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER

Mr Costa moved and Mr Monaghan seconded:

That the Electoral Commissioner will only be required to appear before the Committee during the Chief Minister's appearance and any questions relating to his responsibilities under the Local Government Act 2008 be directed to him at that time.

7. OTHER INDEPENDENT OFFICERS

Mr Monaghan moved and Mr Costa seconded:

That the Committee agrees to not require the attendance of the Independent Officers under output 5 of the Attorney-General unless a Member of the Committee advises the secretariat that they want the officer to attend.

8. MEDIA ACCESS

Mr Monaghan moved and Mr Costa seconded:

The Committee agrees to allowing up to two media camera operators to film the Estimates Committee proceedings.

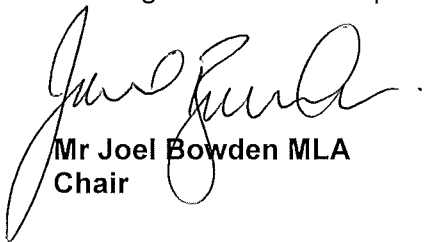
9. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The committee discussed the procedures and traditions regarding allocation of questions, participation by other members, substitution of members, quorum and the consideration of outputs.

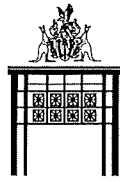
10. NEXT MEETING

8.30 am Tuesday 15 June 2021

Meeting closed at 12.35 pm



Mr Joel Bowden MLA
Chair



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

14th Assembly

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 2

11.50 am, Friday, 14 May 2021
Litchfield Room

Present: Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnston (Chair)
Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim
Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen
Mr Bill Yan MLA, Member for Namatjira

Apologies: Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura

Secretariat: Mr Russell Keith, First Clerk Assistant and Committee Secretary
Ms Elise Dyer, Senior Research Officer
Mr Harry Lane, Administration/Research Officer

1. MINUTES OF MEETING

Mr Yan moved and Mr Monaghan seconded:

The minutes of meeting no. 1, 11 May 2021 be confirmed.

Question put and passed.

2. ESTIMATES HEARING AGENDA

The Committee agreed to amend the order of agencies within the draft Estimates Hearing Agenda.

3. OTHER BUSINESS

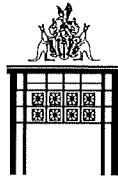
There was no other business.

4. NEXT MEETING

8:30am 15 June 2021

Meeting closed at 11:55 am.

Mr Joel Bowden MLA
Chair



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY
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2021 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 3

Day 1 of Estimates Hearings
8.30 am, Tuesday, 15 June 2021
Litchfield Room

Committee Members

Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnson (Chair)
Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)
Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura
Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen
Mr Bill Yan MLA, Member for Namatjira

Substituting Members

Mr Steve Edgington MLA, Member for Barkly (for Mr Yan 1.30 pm – 6.00 pm)

Participating Members

Mrs Lia Finocchiaro MLA, Member for Spillett
Mr Yingiya Mark Guyula MLA, Member for Mulka

1. Hon Michael Gunner MLA: Chief Minister

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Julie Crisp	Auditor-General	Northern Territory Auditor-General's Office

Hearing concluded.

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Iain Loganathan	Electoral Commissioner	NT Electoral Commission
Kirsten Kelly	Deputy Electoral Commissioner	NT Electoral Commission

Hearing concluded.

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Ken Fleming QC	Independent Commissioner Against Corruption	Office of the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption
Matthew Grant	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Office of the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption
Kathryn Clet	Acting Director Corporate Services	Office of the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
1-1	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	ICAC expenditure on external contractors	

Tabled Papers

No.	Output	Title
1.1	Opening Statement	OICAC Impact Summary
1-2	Opening Statement	Conflicts of Interest Disclaimer

Hearing concluded.

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Peter Shoyer	Ombudsman and Information Commissioner	Ombudsman's Office

Hearing concluded.

2. Hon Michael Gunner MLA: Treasurer

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Craig Graham	Under Treasurer	Treasury and Finance
Catherine Weber	Deputy Under Treasurer Corporate	Treasury and Finance
Mick Butler	Deputy Under Treasurer Policy	Treasury and Finance
Tiziana Hucent	Senior Director Financial Reporting	Treasury and Finance
Alex Pollon	General Manager Northern Territory Treasury Corporation	Treasury and Finance
Tim McManus	Assistant Under Treasurer Finance	Treasury and Finance

Suspension of Hearing: The hearing of the Estimate Committee was suspended between 1.00 pm and 1.30 pm.

Hearing resumed.

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
1.2	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	COVID-19 expenditure	
1.3	Opening Statement	Mrs Lambley	'A Plan for Budget Repair' report cost	
1.4	15.1	Mrs Lambley	NT Beverages debt owed to Northern Territory Government	
1.5	18.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Number of freedom of information requests lodged	

Hearing concluded.

3. Hon Michael Gunner MLA: Chief Minister

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Jodie Ryan	Chief Executive Officer	Chief Minister and Cabinet
Andrew Cowan	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Chief Minister and Cabinet
Hayley Richards	Acting Major Projects Commissioner	Chief Minister and Cabinet
Jean Doherty	Executive Director Intergovernmental and Legal Policy	Chief Minister and Cabinet

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
1.6	Opening Statement	Mr Guyula	Provision of research services for Independent Members	
1.7	Opening Statement	Mr Guyula	Border control resources in remote communities	
1.8	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	Westin luxury hotel	
1.9	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	Neptune Energy gas project timeline	
1.10	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	Media unit and Protocol unit funding	
1.11	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	Media unit KPIs	

Tabled Papers

No.	Output	Title
1.3	Opening Statement	Annual Report of ICAC Inspector
1.4	Opening Statement	Preliminary Report of ICAC Inspector

Hearing concluded.

Adjournment of Hearing: The Estimates Committee adjourned at 6.00 pm until 16 June 2021 at 8.30 am.



Joel Bowden MLA
Chair



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

14th Assembly

2021 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 4

Day 2 of Estimates Hearings

8.30 am, Wednesday, 16 June 2021

Litchfield Room

Committee Members

Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnson (Chair)

Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)

Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura

Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen

Mr Bill Yan MLA, Member for Namatjira

Substituting Members

Mrs Jo Hersey MLA, Member for Katherine (for Mr Yan 4.30 pm – 9.30 pm)

Participating Members

Mrs Lia Finocchiaro MLA, Member for Spillett

Mr Yingiya Mark Guyula MLA, Member for Mulka

Mr Joshua Burgoyne MLA, Member for Braitling

Mr Yingiya Mark Guyula MLA, Member for Mulka

1. Hon Natasha Fyles MLA: Minister for Health

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Dr Frank Daly	Chief Executive	Health
Dr Hugh Heggie	Chief Health Officer	Health
David Braines-Mead	Deputy Chief Executive Finance Support Services	Health
Dr Charles Pain	Deputy Chief Health Officer	Health
Prof Len Notaras	Executive Director National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre	Health
Michelle McKay	Executive Lead COVID-19 vaccinations	Health
Allison Grierson	Acting Chief Operating Officer Top End Health Service	Health
Cecelia Gore	Senior Director Mental Health Alcohol and Other Drugs	Health
Naomi Heinrich	Central Australia Health Service Acting Chief Operating Officer	Health

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
2.1	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	NT Health vaccinations	
2.2	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	COVID-19 information roll out costs	Yes
2.3	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	COVID-19 vaccination in communities	
2.4	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Vaccine disposal	Yes
2.5	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	Number of ventilators	
2.6	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Howard Springs facility staff	
2.7	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	FIFO workers Howard Springs	
2.8	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Northern Territory Health accommodation contracts	
2.9	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	Quest Berrimah commercial arrangement	
2.10	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Quest Berrimah contract cost	
2.11	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Quest Berrimah rooms	
2.12	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Reimbursement of Quest Berrimah room costs	
2.13	2.1	Mr Yan	PCR tests	
2.14	2.1	Mr Yan	PCR test rebate	
2.15	2.1	Mr Yan	Rapid antigen testing	
2.16	2.1	My Guyula	Rheumatic heart disease funding	
2.17	2.1	Mr Yan	Environmental health incidents	
2.18	2.1	Mr Yan	Environmental health incidents not resolved	
2.19	3.1	Mr Yan	Mental health admissions and presentations at Royal Darwin Hospital	
2.20	3.1	Mrs Lambley	Funding for drug and alcohol abuse issues in remote communities	
2.21	3.1	Mr Yan	People on the BDR for domestic violence offences	
2.22	4.1	Mrs Lambley	Remote clinical staff working at Howard Springs quarantine facility	Yes
2.23	6.1	Mr Yan	Royal Darwin Hospital security guard stabbing	
2.24	7.1	Mr Yan	Hospital staff overtime costs	
2.25	7.1	Mr Yan	Remote medical staff turnover by region	
2.26	7.1	Mr Yan	Remote medical staff vacancy rates by region	
2.27	7.1	Mr Yan	Medical misdiagnosis complaints	
2.28	7.1	Mr Yan	Number of code yellows across the Northern Territory hospital system	
2.29	7.1	Mr Yan	Current FTE for the five main Territory hospitals	
2.30	7.1	Mr Yan	Number of people in Royal Darwin Hospital during code yellow in February 2021	
2.31	7.1	Mr Yan	Cardiac patient interstate transfers	
2.32	7.2	Mr Yan	Legal costs	
2.33	7.2	Mr Yan	FTE by level	

Suspension of Hearing: The hearing of the Estimate Committee was suspended between 1.00 pm and 1.30 pm.

Hearing resumed.

Hearing concluded.

2. Hon Lauren Moss MLA: Minister for Education

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Karen Weston	Chief Executive	Education
Susan Bowden	Acting Deputy Chief Executive	Education
Brett Roach	Chief Financial Officer	Education
Aderyn Chatterton	Executive Director Youth, Engagement and Partnerships	Education
Tony Considine	Acting Executive Director Early Years and Education Services	Education
Adam Walding	Executive Director Infrastructure Planning and Operational Support	Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics

Suspension of Hearing: The hearing of the Estimate Committee was suspended between 6.30 pm and 7.00 pm.


Hearing resumed.

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
3.1	Whole of Government	Mrs Hersey	Funding for government schools	
3.2	Whole of Government	Mr Guyula	School principals from local community	Yes
3.3	1-1	Mrs Hersey	FaFT funding break down	
3.4	1.2	Mr Burgoyne	FaFT subsequent school enrolment statistics	
3.5	1.2	Mr Burgoyne	Preschool education spending	Yes
3.6	1.3	Mrs Hersey	Primary school principal employment	
3.7	1.3	Mrs Hersey	Primary school principal vacancies	
3.8	1.3	Mrs Hersey	Primary school teacher recruitment and separations	
3.9	1.4	Mrs Hersey	Financial support for home tutoring	
3.10	1.4	Mrs Hersey	Recruitment cost for Katherine High School principal	
3.11	1.4	Mrs Hersey	Government housing	Yes
3.12	1.5	Mr Burgoyne	International education underspending	
3.13	1.7	Mrs Hersey	Get SET scholarships	
3.14	2.1	Mrs Hersey	Grants to non-government organisations	
3.15	2.3	Mrs Hersey	Distribution of non-government senior years education funding	
3.16	3.1	Mrs Hersey	School budget allocation for vehicles	
3.17	3.1	Mr Burgoyne	School rooftop solar programs in Alice Springs	
3.18	3.1	Mrs Hersey	Building Better Schools funding	
3.19	3.1	Mrs Hersey	Rate of re-advertisement for Special Measures appointments	
3.20	3.1	Mrs Hersey	Special Measures recruitment reviews	

Hearing concluded.

Adjournment: The Estimates Committee adjourned at 9.30 pm until 17 June 2021 at 9.00 am.


Joel Bowden MLA
Chair



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2021 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 5

Day 3 of Estimates Hearings

9.00 am, Thursday, 17 June 2021

Litchfield Room

Committee Members

Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnson (Chair)

Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)

Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura

Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen

Substituting Members

Mr Gerard Maley MLA, Member for Nelson (for Mr Yan 9.00 am – 4.30 pm)

Participating Members

Mr Joshua Burgoyne MLA, Member for Braitling

Mr Steve Edgington MLA, Member for Barkly

Ms Kezia Purick MLA, Member for Goyder

Mrs Jo Hersey MLA, Member for Katherine

Mr Yingiya Mark Guyula MLA, Member for Mulka

1. Hon Eva Lawler MLA: Renewables and Energy

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Shaun Drabsch	Chief Executive Officer	Industry, Tourism and Trade
Joanna Frankenfeld	Chief Financial Officer	Industry, Tourism and Trade
Anne Tan	Deputy Chief Executive Officer Mining and Energy	Industry, Tourism and Trade
Jim McKay	Executive Director Sustainable Energy	Industry, Tourism and Trade

Tabled Papers

No.	Output	Title
4.1	Opening Statement	Northern Territory Renewable Hydrogen Strategy

Hearing concluded.

2. Hon Eva Lawler MLA: Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Andrew Kirkman	Chief Executive	Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
John Harrison	General Manager Infrastructure, Investment and Contracts	Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
Fotis Papadakis	Chief Financial Officer	Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
Leah Clifford	Deputy Chief Executive	Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
Louise McCormick	General Manager Transport and Civil Services	Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
Adam Walding	Executive Director Infrastructure Planning and Operational Support	Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
Mark Meldrum	Director of Building Control	Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
Dr David Ritchie	Chairman	NT Planning Commission

Suspension of Hearing: The hearing of the Estimate Committee was suspended between 1.00 pm and 1.30 pm.

Hearing resumed.

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
4.1	Whole of Government	Mr Edgington	DIPL staffing in Tennant Creek	
4.2	8.1	Mr Guyula	Ramingining subdivision	
4.3	8.1	Mrs Lambley	TIO Stadium funding	
4.4	8.1	Mrs Lambley	Infrastructure funding for East Arnhem homeland schools	
4.5	8.1	Mr Maley	State Square carpark maintenance cost	
4.6	8.1	Mr Maley	Alice Springs youth detention centre investment	
4.7	8.1	Mr Maley	Cavanagh Street Shade Structure costs	
4.8	8.1	Mr Maley	Maintenance cost for Cavanagh Street shade structure	
4.9	8.1	Mr Maley	Tender 20/1791	
4.10	8.2	Mr Maley	Development of Alice Springs Desert Park and Telegraph Station Visitor Experience	
4.11	8.3	Mr Maley	Asbestos in government buildings	
4.12	9.1	Mrs Lambley	Building permits by region	
4.13	9.1	Mr Maley	Crown term lease 2655	
4.14	9.1	Mr Maley	Manbulloo station	
4.15	9.1	Ms Purick	Status of Commonwealth Defence transmission licences	
4.16	9.1	Ms Purick	Transfer of land from Department of Defence to Department of Finance	
4.17	9.5	Ms Purick	Building compliance of NTG owned and occupied buildings	
4.18	10.1	Mr Maley	Number of antisocial incidents on public transport	
4.19	10.4	Ms Purick	Humpty Doo Access Road	

Hearing concluded.

3. Hon Eva Lawler MLA: Environment, Water Security, and Climate Change

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Joanne Townsend	Chief Executive Officer	Environment, Parks and Water Security
Dr Alaric Fisher	Executive Director Flora and Fauna	Environment, Parks and Water Security
Luis Da Rocha	Executive Director Rangelands	

Hearing concluded.

Adjournment of Hearing: The Estimates Committee adjourned at 4.30 pm until 21 June 2021 at 9.00 am.



Joel Bowden MLA
Chair



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

14th Assembly

2021 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 6

Day 4 of Estimates Hearings

9.00 am, Monday, 21 June 2021

Litchfield Room

Committee Members

Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnson (Chair)

Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)

Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura

Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen

Substituting Members

Mrs Lia Finocchiaro MLA, Member for Spillett (for Mr Yan 9.00 am – 4.30 pm)

Participating Members

Mr Ian Sloan MLA, Member for Daly

Mr Yingiya Mark Guyula MLA, Member for Mulka

Ms Kezia Purick MLA, Member for Goyder

Mr Steve Edgington MLA, Member for Barkly

1. Hon Nicole Manison MLA: Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Jamie Chalker	Commissioner and Chief Executive Officer	NT Police, Fire and Emergency Services
Murray Smalpage	Deputy Commissioner	NT Police, Fire and Emergency Services
Michael Murphy	Deputy Commissioner	NT Police, Fire and Emergency Services

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
5.1	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	Efficiency dividend amount for police	
	Opening Statement	Mrs Finocchiaro	Alcohol harm reduction expenditure breakdown	
5.2				
5.3	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Police resignations	
5.4	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Breakdown of police resignations by rank	Yes
5.5	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Graduating constable postings	
5.6	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Constable probationary period extensions	
5.7	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Police overtime budget	Yes
5.8	1.1	Ms Purick	Vehicle allocation for Humpty Doo police station	Yes
5.9	1.1	Ms Purick	Rural area PROMIS reports	

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
5.10	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Charges laid regarding assaults on police	
5.11	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Prosecutions relating to assaults on police	
5.12	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Update on assault charges relating to police	
5.13	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Prison sentences for assaults on police	
5.14	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Repeat youth offender rates	
5.15	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Youth bailed	
5.16	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Youth repeat offenders breach of bail arrests	
5.17	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Police and court bail rates for youths	
5.18	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Youth bail conditions	
5.19	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Bail for youths engaging in a serious breach of bail	
5.20	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Youths arrested for new offending on bail	
5.21	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Jail time for youths under new bail regime	
5.22	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Ringleader legislation arrests	
5.23	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Ringleader legislation prison sentences	
5.24	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Youth and adult repeat offenders	
5.25	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Strike Force Viper arrests of youths on bail	
5.26	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Youths arrested on bail by Strike Force Viper	
5.27	1.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Strike Force Trident bail arrests	
5.28	2.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Value of withdrawn speed camera fines	
5.29	2.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Sexual assault victims under the age of 16 and 10	
5.30	2.1	Mrs Finocchiaro	Sexual assault charges	

Suspension of Hearing: The hearing of the Estimate Committee was suspended between 1.00 pm and 1.30 pm.

Hearing resumed.

Hearing concluded.

2. Hon Nicole Manison MLA: Minister for Mining and Industry, Northern Australia and Trade, Agribusiness and Aquaculture

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

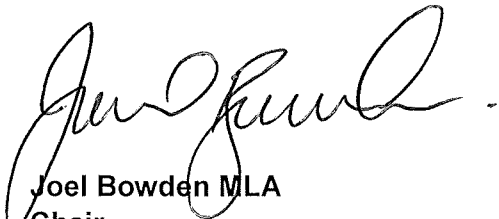
Name	Position	Agency
Shaun Drabsch	Chief Executive Officer	Industry, Tourism and Trade
Joanna Frankenfeld	Chief Financial Officer	Industry, Tourism and Trade
Luke Bowen	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Industry, Tourism and Trade
	Agriculture, Fisheries and Defence	
Armando Padovan	Senior Executive Director	Industry, Tourism and Trade
	Mines	
Anne Tan	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Industry, Tourism and Trade
	Mining and Energy	
Ian Scrimgeour	Senior Executive Director	Industry, Tourism and Trade
	NT Geological Survey	
James Pratt	Senior Executive Director	Industry, Tourism and Trade
	Energy Development	

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
5.31	7.1	Mr Sloan	Permits for chemical 1080	Yes
5.32	7.1	Mr Sloan	Research and services contracts	

Hearing concluded.

Adjournment: The Estimates Committee adjourned at 4.30 pm until 22 June 2021 at 8.30 am.



Joel Bowden MLA
Chair



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY
14th Assembly

2021 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 7

Day 5 of Estimates Hearings
8.30 am, Tuesday, 22 June 2021
Litchfield Room

Committee Members

Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnson (Chair)
Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)
Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura
Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen
Mr Bill Yan MLA, Member for Namatjira

Participating Members

Mr Joshua Burgoyne MLA, Member for Braitling
Ms Marie-Clare Boothby MLA, Member for Brennan

1. Hon Kate Warden MLA: Minister for Territory Families and Urban Housing, Disabilities, Sport, and Multicultural Affairs

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Ken Davies	Chief Executive Officer	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Nicole Hurwood	Deputy Chief Executive Officer Strategic and Enabling Services	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Jeanette Kerr	Deputy Chief Executive Officer Families	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Luke Twyford	General Manager Strategic Services	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Helena Wright	Executive Director Programs and Engagement	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Brent Warren	Deputy Chief Executive Officer Housing	Territory Families, Housing and Communities

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
6.1	Opening Statement	Mr Burgoyne	Businesses engaging with community accountability boards	Yes
6.2	Opening Statement	Mr Burgoyne	Youths on the streets at night in Alice Springs	
6.3	1.2	Mr Burgoyne	Case manager separations	
6.4	1.2	Mr Burgoyne	Staff stress leave	
6.5	1.2	Mr Burgoyne	School enrolments for children cared for by Territory Families	
6.6	1.2	Mr Burgoyne	Case manager vacancies	

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
6.7	1.3	Mr Burgoyne	Out of home care home relocations	Yes
6.8	1.3	Mr Burgoyne	Children returning to child protection	Yes
6.9	1.3	Mr Burgoyne	Children in kinship care returning to foster care	
6.10	1.4	Mr Burgoyne	Assaults on youth justice officers	
6.11	1.4	Mr Burgoyne	Number of detainees responsible for assaults on youth justice officers	
6.12	1.4	Mr Burgoyne	Absences caused by assaults on youth justice officers	Yes
6.13	2.2	Mr Burgoyne	Unoccupied public housing	
6.14	2.2	Mr Burgoyne	Alice Springs public housing waiting list	
6.15	2.2	Mr Burgoyne	Maintenance call centre calls received	

Tabled Papers

No.	Output	Title
6.1	Opening Statement	Answer to Question Taken on Notice 6.1
6.2	Opening Statement	YORET Hub - Youth Drop In Centre
6.3	1.3	Answer to Question Taken on Notice 6.12
6.4	1.4	Answer to Question Taken on Notice 6.12

Suspension of Hearing: The hearing of the Estimate Committee was suspended between 1.00 pm and 1.30 pm.

Hearing resumed.

Hearing concluded.

2. Hon Paul Kirby MLA: Minister for Corporate and Digital Development

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Kathleen Robinson	Chief Executive Officer	Corporate and Digital Development
Chris Hosking	Deputy Chief Executive	Corporate and Digital Development

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
7.1	1.2	Mr Yan	Cost of NT Government jobs portal	
7.2	1.3	Mr Yan	Purchase of goods and services contracts	Yes
7.3	1.5	Mr Yan	Training sessions delivered by the finance services division	
7.4	2.1	Mr Yan	BDR scan failures	
7.5	2.2	Mr Yan	Figtree system reporting capacity	
7.6	2.4	Mr Yan	Territory Check-in app costs	

Hearing concluded.

3. Hon Paul Kirby MLA: Minister for Small Business, and Jobs and Training

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Shaun Drabsch	Chief Executive Officer	Industry, Tourism and Trade
Joanna Frankenfeld	Chief Financial Officer	Industry, Tourism and Trade
Catherine White	General Manager Business and Workforce	Industry, Tourism and Trade

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
7.7	Whole of Government	Ms Boothby	Expenditure in veterans' affairs	
	Whole of Government	Ms Boothby	Advisory Council for Veteran Affairs' minutes	
7.8	Whole of Government	Ms Boothby	Recreational Fishing Grant Scheme	
7.9	Government	Ms Boothby	Skilled migrants staying in the Territory	
7.10	8.2	Ms Boothby		

Hearing concluded.

4. Hon Paul Kirby MLA: Minister for Public Employment

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

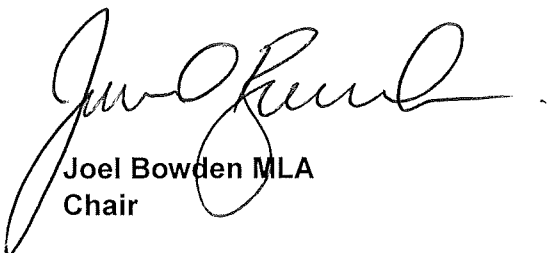
Name	Position	Agency
Vicki Telfer PSM	Commissioner for Public Employment	Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment
Libby Doney	Director Strategic Workforce Planning and Development	Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment
Cheryl Winstanley	Director Employee Relations	Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
7.11	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Changes to penalties under the <i>Financial Management Act 1995</i>	

Hearing concluded.

Adjournment of Hearing: The Estimates Committee adjourned at 7.00 pm until 23 June 2021 at 8.30 am.



Joel Bowden MLA
Chair



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

14th Assembly

2021 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 8

Day 6 of Estimates Hearings

8.30 am, Wednesday, 23 June 2021

Litchfield Room

Committee Members

Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnson (Chair)
Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)
Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura
Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen
Mr Bill Yan MLA, Member for Namatjira

Substituting Members

Mr Steve Edgington MLA, Member for Barkly (for Mr Yan 8.30 am – 1.30 pm)

Participating Members

Mr Gerard Maley MLA, Member for Nelson
Mr Ian Sloan MLA, Member for Daly
Mr Yingiya Mark Guyula MLA, Member for Mulka

1. Hon Selena Uiho MLA: Attorney-General and Minister for Justice

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Gemma Lake	Acting Chief Executive Officer	Attorney-General and Justice
Craig Smyth	Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Attorney-General and Justice
Alecia Brimson	Chief Operating Officer	Attorney-General and Justice
Jenni Daniel-Yee	Director Legal Policy	Attorney-General and Justice
Leanne Liddle	Director Aboriginal Justice Unit	Attorney-General and Justice
Rosslyn Chenoweth	Director Crime Victims Services Unit	Attorney-General and Justice
Carolyn Whyte	Director Criminal Justice Research and Statistics	Attorney-General and Justice
David Thompson	Acting Commissioner Northern Territory Correctional Services	Attorney-General and Justice
Chris Cox	Executive Director Courts and Tribunals	Attorney-General and Justice

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
8.1	Opening Statement	Mr Edgington	Aboriginal Justice Agreement costs	

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
8.2	Opening Statement	Mr Edgington	Breakdown of budget for alternative prison initiatives	
8.3	Whole of Government	Mr Maley	Breakdown of funding reductions	
8.4	Whole of Government	Mr Maley	Breakdown of Community Corrections budget	
8.5	1.1	Mr Edgington	Solicitor-General funding	Yes
8.6	1.1	Mr Maley	Local and interstate counsel	
8.7	1.1	Mr Edgington	Legal proceedings against Northern Territory Government	
8.8	1.1	Mr Edgington	Actions relating to <i>Mineral Royalty Act 1982</i>	
8.9	1.1	Mr Edgington	Recent royalty related actions	
8.10	1.1	Mr Edgington	Cost of resolution of royalty related actions	
8.11	1.1	Mr Maley	Cost of actions by former detainees or children in care	
8.12	1.1	Mr Maley	Local and interstate counsel costs	
8.13	1.2	Mr Edgington	Key property offences	
8.14	1.2	Mr Maley	August 2019 review	
8.15	1.2	Mr Maley	Expenditure of one-off funding support	
8.16	1.2	Mr Edgington	Expenditure of NT legal assistance funding	
8.17	1.2	Mr Edgington	Non-financial assistance to legal aid sector	Yes
8.18	1.3	Mr Maley	Victims of crime assistance unit funding	
8.19	1.3	Mr Edgington	Victims of crime entitlement to information	
8.20	1.4	Mr Edgington	Recidivism rate for NT prisoners	Yes
8.21	1.4	Mr Edgington	Number of youth offenders	
8.22	1.4	Mr Edgington	Youth reoffending on bail	
8.23	1.4	Mr Edgington	Sentence breakdown for youth offenders	
8.24	1.4	Mr Edgington	Assault charges with intent to steal against youth offenders	
8.25	1.4	Mr Edgington	Convictions recorded against youth offenders of assault with intention to steal	
8.26	1.4	Mr Edgington	Youth offender charges of robbery	
8.27	1.4	Mr Edgington	Serious breaches of bail for youths on remand	
8.28	2.1	Mr Maley	Cost of rehousing prisoners	
8.29	2.1	Mr Edgington	Running costs of prison	
8.30	2.1	Mr Maley	May 2020 riot prosecutions	
8.31	2.1	Mr Maley	May 2020 riot finalised court cases	
8.32	2.1	Mr Edgington	May 2020 riot restitution sought from offenders	
8.33	2.1	Mr Edgington	Assaults on correctional staff	
8.34	2.1	Mr Edgington	Charges relating to assaults on correctional staff	
8.35	2.1	Mr Edgington	Correction staff absences due to assaults or injury	
8.36	2.1	Mr Edgington	Correctional officer vacancies	
8.37	2.1	Mr Edgington	Court transport and hospital escorts budget	
8.38	2.1	Mr Maley	Prisoner transport and escort costs	
8.39	3.1	Mrs Lambley	Community Justice Centre budget	Yes

Hearing concluded.

2. Hon Selena Uibo MLA: Minister for Treaty and Local Decision Making, and Aboriginal Affairs

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Bridgette Bellenger	General Manager Territory Regional Growth	Chief Minister and Cabinet
Mischa Cartwright	Executive Director Aboriginal Affairs Strategic Partnerships	Chief Minister and Cabinet

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Anthony Shelley	Executive Director Strategic Aboriginal Policy	Chief Minister and Cabinet

Hearing concluded.

Suspension of Hearing: The hearing of the Estimate Committee was suspended between 1.30 pm and 2.00 pm

3. Hon Chansey Paech MLA: Minister for Local Government

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Bridgette Bellenger	General Manager Territory Regional Growth	Chief Minister and Cabinet
Maree De Lacey	Executive Director Local Government and Regional Development	Chief Minister and Cabinet
Meeta Ramkumar	Senior Director Sustainability and Compliance	Chief Minister and Cabinet

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
9.1	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Central Australia Economic Reconstruction committee employees	
9.2	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Local authority project funding	
9.3	Opening Statement	Mrs Lambley	Alice Springs CBD revitalisation project	Yes

Hearing concluded.

4. Hon Chansey Paech MLA: Minister for Remote Housing and Town Camps, Indigenous Essential Services, and Arts, Culture and Heritage

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Ken Davies	Chief Executive Officer	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Brent Warren	Deputy Chief Executive Officer Housing	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Dwayne McInnes	General Manager Housing Program Office	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Danyelle Jarvis	Executive Director Remote Housing Reforms	Territory Families, Housing and Communities
Helena Wright	Executive Director Arts and Culture	Territory Families, Housing and Communities

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
9.4	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Compliance checks on remote housing construction	
9.5	Opening Statement	Mr Yan	Remote housing agency vacancies	

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
9.6	Opening Statement	Mr Sloan	Non-compliance of contractors in remote housing	
9.7	3.3	Mr Yan	Wait time for remote housing	
9.8	3.3	Mr Yan	Value of uncollected rent for remote public housing	
9.9	3.3	Mr Yan	New additional dwellings by region	
9.10	3.3	Mr Yan	Aboriginal business enterprises contracts and projects	Yes
9.11	3.3	Mr Yan	Construction methods of new dwellings	Yes
9.12	3.4	Mr Yan	Tangentyere Council funding for Alice Springs town camps	
9.13	3.5	Mr Sloan	New government houses to be built in Daly electorate	Yes
9.14	3.5	Mr Guyula	Northeast Arnhem Land government employee houses	
9.15	4.1	Mr Sloan	Museum and art gallery attendance	

Tabled Papers

No.	Output	Title
9.1	3.3	Answer to Question Taken on Notice 9-10
9.2	3.3	Answer to Question Taken on Notice 9-11
9.3	3.5	Answer to Question Taken on Notice 9-13

Hearing concluded.


Adjournment of Hearing: The Estimates Committee adjourned at 7.00 pm until 24 June 2021 at 8.30 am.

5. Request to Appear

The Committee continued to meet in private to consider correspondence emailed at 4.49 pm from John Lawrence SC on behalf of a person claiming to have been adversely reflected on in evidence before the Committee.

The Committee considered a request in that letter pursuant to Standing Order 210 to respond to that evidence by Mr Lawrence appearing before the Committee on behalf of that person.

The Committee agreed to invite the person or their representative to appear before the Committee in camera immediately following the conclusion of the Estimates hearings on 24 June 2021.



Joel Bowden MLA
Chair



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY
14th Assembly

2021 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 9

Day 7 of Estimates Hearings

8.30 am, Thursday, 24 June 2021
Litchfield Room

Committee Members

Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnson (Chair)
Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair)
Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura
Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen
Mr Bill Yan MLA, Member for Namatjira

Substituting Members

Mr Josh Burgoyne MLA, Member for Braitling (for Mr Yan 8.30 am to 12.30 pm)

Participating Members

Mr Gerard Maley MLA, Member for Nelson
Mr Yingiya Mark Guyula MLA, Member for Mulka
Mr Steve Edgington MLA, Member for Barkly

1. Power and Water Corporation

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
John Langoulant	Chair	Power and Water Corporation
Djuna Pollard	Chief Executive Officer	Power and Water Corporation
Martha Stewart	Chief Financial Officer	Power and Water Corporation
Jodi Triggs	Executive General Manager Customer Strategy and Regulation	Power and Water Corporation
Antoni Murphy	Executive General Manager Gas	Power and Water Corporation
Stephen Vlahovic	Acting Executive General Manager Power Services	Power and Water Corporation
Michael Besselink	Executive General Manager Core Operations	Power and Water Corporation
Steven Porter	Executive General Manager Water Services	Power and Water Corporation

No.	From	Subject	Answered
10.1	Mr Maley	Percentage of gas used by Power and Water Corporation	
10.2	Mr Burgoyne	IT Transformation program Costs per customer across the Power and Water Corporation	
10.3	Mr Burgoyne	Breakdown of solar into the grid	
10.4	Mr Burgoyne	Cost of replacing faulty water meters	
10.5	Mr Burgoyne		

Hearing concluded.

2. Jacana Energy

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Noel Faulkner	Chairman	Jacana Energy
Louisa Kinnear	Chief Executive Officer	Jacana Energy
Andrew Lewis	Chief Financial Officer and Executive Manager Corporate Services	Jacana Energy
Trude Blizzard	Acting Executive Manager Corporate Services	Jacana Energy

No.	From	Subject	Answered
11.1	Mr Burgoyne	Dollar amount outstanding on Bills	
11.2	Mr Yan	Cost of producing paper bills	

Hearing concluded.

3. Territory Generation

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Dennis Bree	Chair	Territory Generation
Gerhard Laubscher	Chief Executive Officer	Territory Generation
Maria Walters	General Manager Finance and Business Services	Territory Generation
Eddie Mallan	General Manager Commercial	Territory Generation
John Greenwood	General Manager Assets and Operations	Territory Generation

Hearing concluded.

4. Hon Ngaree Ah Kit MLA: Speaker

Hearing commenced.

Witnesses

Name	Position	Agency
Michael Tatham	Clerk and Chief Executive Officer	Legislative Assembly
Marianne Conaty	Deputy Clerk and Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Legislative Assembly
Diem Tang	Chief Financial Officer	Legislative Assembly

Questions Taken on Notice

No.	Output	From	Subject	Answered
13.1	Opening Statement	Mr Edgington	Positioning of Member for Blain's photograph in Main Hall	
13.2	2.1	Mr Edgington	Purchase of flags for the Department	
13.3	2.1	Mr Edgington	Cost of claims for damaged vehicles	
13.4	2.1	Mr Edgington	Freedom of Information Requests	
13.5	2.1	Mr Edgington	Processing fees for information received	
13.6	2.1	Mr Edgington	Incidence of damage to electorate offices	
13.7	2.1	Mr Yan	Cost of damage to electorate offices	

Hearing concluded.

**Joel Bowden MLA
Chair**



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY
14th Assembly

2021 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 10

1.07 pm, Thursday, 24 June 2021

Ormiston Room

Present:	Mr Joel Bowden MLA, Member for Johnston (Chair) Mr Mark Monaghan MLA, Member for Fong Lim (Deputy Chair) Mr Bill Yan MLA, Member for Namatjira Mr Lawrence Costa MLA, Member for Arafura
Apologies	Mrs Robyn Lambley MLA, Member for Araluen
Secretariat:	Mr Russell Keith, First Clerk Assistant and Committee Secretary Ms Elise Dyer, Senior Research Officer

1. ORAL SUBMISSION RESPONDING TO EVIDENCE CLAIMED TO ADVERSELY REFLECT ON A PERSON

Mr John Lawrence SC addressed the Committee in camera.

Mr Lawrence withdrew.

2. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr Monaghan moved:

That minutes 2 to 9 be agreed to.

Question put and passed.

3. CONSIDERATION OF ORAL SUBMISSION RESPONDING TO EVIDENCE CLAIMED TO ADVERSELY REFLECT ON A PERSON

The Committee discussed the submission to the Committee.

Mr Bowden moved:

That the Committee authorises the publication of the written and the relevant part of the oral submissions made by Mr John Lawrence SC on behalf of the person claiming to have been adversely reflected on in evidence before the Committee, with such material to be made available on completion of the transcript of the submission.

Question put and passed.

4. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT

Mr Monaghan moved:

That the Committee adopt the *2021 Estimates Committee Report*.

Question put and passed.

Mr Yan asked his dissent be recorded regarding the Financial Integrity and Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2021 and indicated that he would submit a dissenting report.

5. MEETING CLOSED

Meeting closed at 1.35 pm.

Joel Bowden MLA
Chair