

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms Manison to the Chief Minister:

Progress Report Year 3 Brochure

With regard to the Government's Glossy Brochure "Progress Report Year 3":

1. Who authorised design of the brochure?
 2. Who designed the brochure?
 3. What was the total cost for design of the brochure?
 4. Who approved the design costs?
 5. Who authorised printing of the brochure?
 6. Who printed the brochure?
 7. How many copies were printed?
 8. What was the total cost of printing the brochure?
 9. Who approved the printing costs?
 10. Who authorised distribution of the brochure?
 11. Who distributed the brochure?
 12. What suburbs was the brochure distributed to?
 13. What was the total cost of distribution?
 14. Who approved the distribution costs?
 15. Were expressions of interest or quotes called to:
 - (a) design the brochure?
 - (b) print the brochure?
 - (c) distribute the brochure?
 16. If so who submitted expressions of interest or quotes?
 17. If not, why not?
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ANSWER

The "Progress Report Year 3" informative Flyer was authorised and constructed within the Office of the Chief Minister and paid for in the usual way, from my operational budget – the same way as the Leader of the Opposition office pays for printed/posted material that is produced regularly from that office.

Government is constantly asked to provide information about its plans and vision to and by the public and it is incumbent of Government to do this. We have articulated to Territorians our Framing the Future plan consistently over our term in Government and have reported progress against that frameworks four main pillars on many occasions. We make no excuse for keeping Territorians fully informed on this and other important work on their behalf.

As you know all Government expenditure is scrutinised through the Estimates process and by the Auditor General.

I am surprised that you are not aware that all the information you are seeking from this question was provided to Mr Gunner through an access for information application, Reference Number DCMIR2015/47 – completed in October 2015.

I suggest you communicate with your colleague in regard to those answers you require from the extensive material already provided, as I will not be wasting taxpayer's money to collate the same material again.

The Flyer – providing Territorians with a report on the comprehensive commitments and achievements of the Country Liberal Government was printed and distributed via the required processes of the Government Print Management Unit within the Communications and Marketing Bureau in the Department of the Chief Minister, by a local printing company – Colemans Printing.

It is Government policy to use the Print Management Unit (PMU) for all printing requirements to ensure panel contractors are used for Government work and importantly, to access best rates the PMU has secured with local businesses.

It is my understanding that the Leader of the Opposition's Office has not once used the Government Print Management Unit for its print requirements albeit that Office has produced and circulated a great number of printed paraphernalia.

I have enclosed some images of print material that Labor produced while in Government and while you were a senior Government Staff member and also a sample of material that has been printed and produced by Labor – for return to the Labor Opposition's Office.

I am sure that you can confirm that the below samples were printed, distributed and paid for with public funds and were constructed under the direction of either your then Labor Government or the current Labor Opposition.

On completing the following survey, you will be able to view the survey results on the Labor Party website. Your responses will be kept confidential and will not be shared with any other party.

Do you believe the current number of teachers is sufficient to meet the needs of the Territory?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Do you believe that more professional teachers are required for students in remote and rural schools?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Do you believe that more professional teachers are required for students in urban and suburban schools?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

How would you rate the current Labor Government's performance in the Territory?

Excellent Good Fair Poor Very Poor

What do you think is the most important issue facing the Territory?

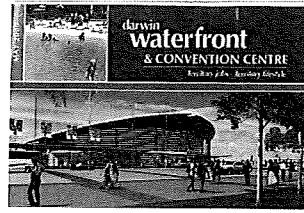
Education Health Infrastructure Environment Other

If you would like to know the results of this survey please fill out your details below.

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Postcode: _____ Phone: _____




Waterfront and Convention Centre go ahead

Construction has started on the \$1.1 billion Darwin Waterfront and Convention Centre.

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