

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Higgins to the Minister for Corporate and Information Services:

Annual Report – Department of Corporate and Information Services

1. According to departmental data, 10% of government payments are not paid within 30 days. Can these tardy payments be listed, including the length and amount of each payment?
2. What has the Office of Digital Government achieved since it was established?
3. Given that telecommunications is a Commonwealth responsibility, what has the Department done specifically to improve remote telecommunications? (page 20)
4. Can you name specific ways in which the department has reduced red tape? (page 20)
5. When can Territorians expect the “NT Government public data ecosystem” and how much will it cost to establish? (page 21)
6. The Annual Report mentions a target to increase employment opportunities of Aboriginal and disabled persons, does the Department have specific targets in mind? And does the Department use affirmative action to achieve these targets?
7. What was DCIS’ specific role in the implementation of the Machinery of Government changes? (page 25)
8. What plans does the Department have for one-off natural disaster payments and what information has been shared by other departments with DCIS in regard to such a scheme? (page 25)
9. Has DCIS always had responsibility for NTG leasing arrangements? Can the Department provide the details of how many FTEs are employed within this property leasing unit and what the budget is? (page 34)
10. What was the cost of the “development and implementation” of My Fuel NT i.e. the specific appropriation allocated to DCIS? (page 39)

11. What were the costs associated with the Cyber Security Awareness Week events in 2016? Were similar events held in 2017? (page 46)
12. Why is development of the 2019-2021 Strategic Plan commencing as a future priority given that the period of the existing strategic plan has not concluded? (page 49)
13. Can NT Fleet's role in the Community Benefit Fund be explained? And is this role affected by the review being undertaken? (page 50)
14. How often are NT Fleet's vehicles kept in circulation? i.e. what is the maximum life of a vehicle in NT Fleet? And in order to achieve NT Fleet's emissions and fuel consumption targets, have vehicles been replaced sooner than they otherwise would have been? (page 54)
15. Can the Department clarify whether the requirements of the Green Commercial Lease result in cheaper or more expensive leases than what could otherwise be acquired by NTG? (page 55)
16. The Key Performance Indicators referred on page 73, can they be made available?
17. When is the 2017-18 business plan expected to be developed given it is now November 2017? (page 73)
18. Was any departmental travel assessed to be non-compliant with the Travel Policy Framework? (page 82)
19. How many applicants to vacancies meet the essential selection criteria?
20. Can you provide a copy of the department's Special Measures Plan?
21. Are non-unionised staff consulted or represented during industrial relations decision-making? (page 86)
22. How much was spent on Cultural Competency Training and what are the outcomes and Key Performance Indicators requiring this training? (page 92)
23. As part of the Department's Special Measure Plan and Aboriginal employment programs, are there any targets for employees who are from remote areas or traditional communities? (page 99)
24. Can the Department state all unfunded liabilities?