## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

#### WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Higgins to the Minister for Housing and Community Development:

#### **AGENCY ADMINISTRATION**

#### Note 1:

The following questions **do not require reference to the 2018-19 Budget** to be answered. They can be answered from existing Agency data.

## Note 2:

If there is to be a Whole of Government response to any of the questions, it would be appreciated that these are referred early to the Minister responsible to enable a response within the same timeframe as the remainder of the questions.

Further, early indication of the questions referred for a Whole of Government response would be appreciated.

#### **BUDGET**

1. What efficiency dividend has each Department and Agency been asked to achieve in framing the 2018-19 Budget? When was this direction given and what specific instructions were provided to achieve this result?

A whole-of-government response to question 1 will be provided by the Treasurer.

#### **STAFFING**

- 2. Please provide details for the following staffing questions as at 30 June 2017 and as at 31 March 2018:
  - a) How many staff were employed in the following categories:
    - i. Full time equivalent
    - ii. Permanent part time contract
    - iii. Contract

DHCD as at Pay Period 19, 31 March 2018	
Full Time	
Equivalent	591.26
Permanent	
Part Time	
Contract	11.66
Contract	130.37

DHCD as at Pay Period 26, 30 June 2017		
Full Time		
Equivalent	584.23	
Permanent		
Part Time		
Contract	15.44	
Contract	117.29	

- b) Please advise the number of staff identified as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander in terms of FTE and as a percentage of the Agency total employment (all classifications).
- c) Please advise the number of frontline staff as FTE and as a percentage of the Agency total employment (all classifications).

A whole-of-government response to questions 2(b) and (c) will be provided by the Minister for Public Employment.

3. What is the variance in FTE from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018?

A whole-of-government response to question 3 will be provided by the Minister for Public Employment.

- 4. Please advise, in each category:
  - a) The total number of staff on contracts (by executive and temporary employment contracts) as at 30 June 2017 and for the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018
  - b) By position, the levels at which staff are employed on executive or temporary employment contracts as at 30 June 2017 and for the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018

Paid Classification	Executive and Temp Contracts as at 31 March 2018	Executive and Temp Contracts as at 30 June 2017
EO6C	1	1
EO4C	2	1
EO2C	7	6
EO1C	16.5	17
SAO2	1.62	2
SAO1	2.88	2.8
AO7	2.5	3.8
AO6	17	13.35
AO5	20.04	13.4
AO4	11	13
AO3	20.04	12.01
AO2	14.08	18
SP1	0	1
T6	3.78	1
T5	8.93	6.93
GRADT	1	2
TRAINEES	1	3
Grand Total	130.37	117.29

c) By position, when each current contract is due to be renewed

A whole-of-government response to questions 4(a) and (c) will be provided by the Minister for Public Employment.

5. For the full financial year ending 30 June 2017 and for the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018 how many staff:

	1 July 2016 – 30 June 2017	1 July 2017 – 31 March 2018
Resigned	57	38
Were demoted as a result of job evaluation or re-evaluation	Nil	Nil
Were made redundant	1	Nil
Were terminated	3	Nil

6. How many staff were unattached or categorized as redeployees for the full financial year ending 30 June 2017 and for the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018?

1 July 2016 – 30 June 2017	Nil
1 July 2017 – 31 March 2018	Nil

7. How many staff were categorized as supernumerary for the full financial year ending 30 June 2017 and for the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018?

	1 July 2016 – 30 June 2017	1 July 2017 – 31 March 2018
Casual	55.62	49.51
Fixed Period	21.76	14.24
Ongoing	26.30	19.83
Total	103.68	83.58

8. How many staff have been engaged through employment agency arrangements, for what purpose, for what duration and at what cost for the full financial year ending 30 June 2017 and for the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018?

For the full 2016-17 financial year, a total of 24 staff were engaged through employment agency arrangements and totalled a cost of \$285 786.67.

For the period 30 June 2017 to 31 March 2018, a total of two staff were engaged through employment agency arrangements and totalled a cost of \$90 040.19.

The purpose of these employment agency arrangements was to assist in the implementation and establishment of the Remote Program Delivery Office, to provide proactive strategic communications advice and support to the Remote Program Delivery Office and provide advice and guidance on the creation and implementation of communication strategies.

9. How many locums have been employed, for what purpose, what duration and at what cost for the full financial year ending 30 June 2017 and for the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018?

Nil.

- 10. How many positions had Special Measures applied when advertised for the full financial year ending 30 June 2017 and for the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018?
- 11. How many positions that had Special Measures applied, as referred to in question 10 above, had to be re-advertised due to the initial process not securing suitable candidates?
- 12. Please advise the number of staff who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander as at 30 June 2017 and the increase in staff who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander since 1 July 2017.
- 13. How many grievances have arisen as a direct result of the Special Measures program since 1 July 2017? Of these, how many remain unresolved?

A whole-of-government response to questions 10 to 13 will be provided by the Minister for Public Employment.

#### **OUTSOURCING**

14. For the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, detail any decision(s) to outsource, contract out or privatise functions that have traditionally been carried out by the Agency. Is consideration being given to outsource, contract-out or privatise in financial year 2018-19? If so, please provide details.

#### **Department of Housing and Community Development**

Nil decisions were made to outsource, contract out or privatise functions by the Department of Housing and Community Development.

## **NT Home Ownership**

Nil decisions were made to outsource, contract out or privatise functions by NT Home Ownership.

#### **LEGAL EXPENSES**

- 15. What has been the expenditure on legal advice or related expenses for the financial year 2017-18? Provide details on:
  - a) The matter(s) (designate which ones are finalised and which ones are ongoing)
  - b) The amount paid by matter
  - c) The amount paid to each outside legal firm or barrister engaged

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

For the financial year to 31 March 2018, the Department of Housing and Community Development incurred \$277,077 in legal expenses, including \$247,715 paid to legal firms and barristers. Legal expenses include items such as debt recovery, public liability claims and expenses, repossession (eviction) expenses, conveyancing and settlement fees, out of court settlements and other legal expenses.

- a) The matter(s) (designate which ones are finalised and which ones are ongoing
- b) The amount paid by matter
- c) The amount paid to each outside legal firm or barrister engaged

Legal Firm/Barrister	Amount \$
E P Aughterson Barrister	76,138
Finlaysons	10,631
Halfpennys	7,845
Hunt & Hunt	1,472
JKW Law Practice	101,175
Joshua Ingrames	24,336
Ron Levy	26,118
Total	\$247,715

#### **NT Home Ownership**

For the financial year to 31 March 2018, NT Home Ownership paid \$54 699 in legal expenses.

- a) The matter(s) (designate which ones are finalised and which ones are ongoing)
- b) The amount paid by matter
- c) The amount paid to each outside legal firm or barrister engaged

Status Matter Legal Firm / Barrister Amoun	t \$
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Finalised	Legal advice in	HWL Ebsworth	1,116
	regard to power of	Lawyers	
	attorney		
Ongoing	Legal advice in relation to Mortgage Management Contract	Squire Patton Boggs	53,583
		Total	\$54,699

## PROCUREMENT / CONSULTANCIES

- 16. For the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, please detail expenditure on each report and consultancy (excluding annual reports) that has been obtained from outside the NTPS. For each report/consultancy detail:
  - a) Purpose
  - b) Cost
  - c) Person or entity engaged
  - d) Whether the person or entity has their principal place of business in the Northern Territory or elsewhere (if elsewhere, please provide the address of the principal place of business of the person or entity)
  - e) Whether a report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly as a result of the report or consultancy
  - f) Outcomes or key performance indicators for the report or consultancy
  - g) Whether tenders or expressions of interest were invited prior to work on the report or consultancy being undertaken

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

For the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, the Department of Housing and Community Development recorded \$1 534 684 in consultancy expenses.

The scope of the questions are broad. The administrative effort required to respond to the questions is extensive and currently the Department does not have the capacity to provide the level of detail requested. Answers to parts a, b, c, and d are readily available and are supplied in the attached table.

- a) Purpose (see attached table)
- b) Cost (see attached table)
- c) Person or entity engaged (see attached table)
- d) Whether the person or entity has their principal place of business in the Northern Territory or elsewhere (if elsewhere, please provide the

- address of the principal place of business of the person or entity) (see attached table)
- e) Whether a report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly as a result of the report or consultancy
- f) Outcomes or key performance indicators for the report or consultancy
- g) Whether tenders or expressions of interest were invited prior to work on the report or consultancy being undertaken

PERSON OR ENTITY ENGAGED	PURPOSE	LOCATION	COST
BENNETT DESIGN PTY LTD	Architectural Drawing Services	Northern Territory	6 473
BOWDEN MCCORMACK LAWYERS & ADVISERS	Amend Constitution of CouncilBIZ	Northern Territory	4 837
CHARLES DARWIN UNIVERSITY	BushTel Demography	Northern Territory	3 154
CJ CONSULTING HR SOLUTIONS PTY LTD	Recruitment Merit selection report	Northern Territory	1 963
CLOUDSTREET CONSULTING PTY LTD	Business Intelligence Application Installation and Configuration	Northern Territory	34 217
DELOITTE PRIVATE	Triple P Contracting Review – Grant Agreement for Renovations to Housing in Elliot Town Camps.	Northern Territory	54 894
	Facilitation of Room to Breathe stakeholder group for the prioritisation model	Northern Territory	26 819
DIALOG INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	Review and Update of Business Intelligence Strategy	Northern Territory	15 510
DOLPHIN SOFTWARE PTY LTD	AIS Executive Team Strategic Planning Workshop	Northern Territory	1 920
ERNST & YOUNG	NT Homelessness Strategy 5 Year Action Plan	Northern Territory	72 812
GHD PTY LTD	Gunyangara Sewage Treatment Pond Upgrade	Northern Territory	34 700
	Milingimbi Long term Water Strategy	Northern Territory	18 278
	Weemol Sewerage and Drainage Upgrade	Northern Territory	19 078
HARRIS KMON SOLUTIONS PTY LTD	Inspection and reporting Homelands Housing	Northern Territory	17 309
HJW CONSULTING	Review roles and update Job Analysis Questionnaire	Northern Territory	3 225
	Review roles and update Job Analysis Questionnaire	Northern Territory	2 025
INSYNC SURVEYS PTY LIMITED	IES 2017 Customer Satisfaction Survey	91 William St Melbourne Vic	13 875
IT BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	BushTel Website design & development	Northern Territory	62 300
	AIS database Development	Northern Territory	57 610

	ITSNT database Development	Northern Territory	4 655
	ICT Billing system Enhancements	Northern Territory	154
	Enhancements to the Grants Processing System	Northern Territory	140
JACOBS GROUP (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD	Consult of the Weemol Community Effluent Drain Project	Northern Territory	14 576
	Laramba water upgrade	Northern Territory	14 241
KPMG AUSTRALIA	Community Housing Strategy - Economic modelling and Policy and Implementation advice	Northern Territory	131 872
	Rough Sleepers Project	Northern Territory	193 076
	Remote Housing Procurement Strategy	Northern Territory	79 475
MASTERPLAN SA PTY LTD	Formalise the Survey of Town Camps	Northern Territory	788
MCTAGGART CONSULTING	Review roles and update Job Analysis Questionnaire	Northern Territory	4 576
MERCER CONSULTING (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD	Review roles and update Job Analysis Questionnaire	70 Franklin Street Adelaide SA	2 164
,	Review roles and update Job Analysis Questionnaire		2 163
MERIT PARTNERS PTY LTD	Social Housing Head Leasing 2017 Probity services	Northern Territory	17 765
PWC'S INDIGENOUS CONSULTING	NT Homelessness Strategy 5 Year Action Plan - facilitate stakeholder consultation forums	Northern Territory	17 517
	Corporate Planning	Northern Territory	5 548
	Senior Leaders Forum	Northern Territory	2 767
	Business Planning Homelands	Northern Territory	3 450
QUALITY PEOPLE PTY LTD	Body Worn Video Cameras Project Management	Northern Territory	89 100
	Development of online booking system for the AIS Database	Northern Territory	49 980
	E-Tenant Business Analysis and Design	Northern Territory	39 381
	E-Tenant Design and Development	Northern Territory	14 203
SAVAGE ARCHITECTURE PTY LTD	Drawings Weemol Room to Breath	Northern Territory	16 060
SAVANNA ALLIANCE (AUSTRALIA) CORPORATION LIMITED	Room to Breathe Architectural Design Works Kybrook Farm	Northern Territory	44 718
SQUIRE PATTON BOGGS AU	Site Environmental and Remediation Services	Northern Territory	43 171
	Advice on Berrimah Farm Project Development Agreement	Northern Territory	1 665

TALKFORCE MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS	Executive Media Training	GPO Box 72 Canberra City ACT	4 900
STRATEGISTS PTY LTD			
TANYAH NASIR CONSULTING SERVICES	Prepare and Deliver Change Management Workshop to AIS	Northern Territory	21 000
TEAM AMBROSE	Elected Member Training Package	Northern Territory	50 000
THINK ABOUT LEARNING	Elected Member Training Package	Northern Territory	50 661
TONKIN CONSULTING PTY LTD	Galiwin'ku Infrastructure Study	Northern Territory	25 778
	Sewage Treatment Pond Model Validation	Northern Territory	62 624
	Weemol Sewerage and Drainage Upgrade	Northern Territory	7 872
WRS (NT) CONSULTING	Belyuen Council Manager Handover	Northern Territory	2 804
ZED CONSULTING & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD	Category Management approach within Centralised Procurement and Grant Management	Northern Territory	30 988
	Costing analysis for the Apmere Mwerre Visitor Park	Northern Territory	14 706
	Grant Management Process Mapping	Northern Territory	19 147
TOTAL CONSUL	TANT EXPENDITURE AS AT 31 MARCI	H 2018	1 534 684

## **NT Home Ownership**

For the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, NT Home Ownership had no consultancy expenses.

17. Please detail expenditure paid, or expected to be paid, to Hawker Britton and/or associated entities for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018. Please outline the tasks performed.

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

For the period 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, the Department of Housing and Community Development did not make any payments to Hawker Britton and/or associated entities.

## **NT Home Ownership**

For the period 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, NT Home Ownership did not make any payments to Hawker Britton and/or associated entities.

18. How many contracts and tenders have been awarded to business entities with their principal place of business in the Northern Territory so far, and what works have been undertaken?

A total of 54 contracts and tenders have been awarded to business entities with their principal place of business in the Northern Territory.

The following works have been undertaken:

- Stimulus program for repairs, maintenance and minor upgrades to existing houses:
- Room to Breathe upgrade works to existing houses;
- Provision of property and tenancy management of affordable housing dwelling;
- Fencing programs;
- Water study supply, civil drainage works and sewerage pond upgrade study;
- Architectural services;
- Asset management framework;
- · Provision of auctioneering services;
- Supply and installation of office furniture;
- Develop a suite of options to improve client outcomes and assist people transition out of homelessness;
- Community Housing Strategy;
- Engagement of Probity Advisor;
- · Servicing of air conditioners; and
- NT Homelessness Strategy development of 5 Year Action Plan.
  - 19. How many contracts have been awarded to business entities with a principal place of business outside the Northern Territory for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018? Please detail the work being undertaken by each business entity and the selection criteria for the successful business entity on the applicable contract or tender.

A total of two contracts have been awarded to business entities with a principal place of business outside of the Northern Territory.

The following works have been undertaken:

 Consultancy - 2017 Indigenous Essential Services Customer Satisfaction Survey:

- Independent consultant to utilise a mixed-method telephone and online survey approach; and
- Local content, price, past performance, capacity, timeliness, scope specific.
- Provision of Human Synergistics Organisational Culture Inventory (OCI):
  - OCI is a proprietary product that is not available for purchase in the Northern Territory; and
  - o Local content, price, past performance, timeliness, capacity, innovation.
  - 20. For Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities, how many public quotations were undertaken during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018?

A total of seven Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 public quotations and tenders were undertaken in the reporting period.

21. For Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities, how many contracts or tenders were awarded without undertaking a public quotation process during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018?

A total of four Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities were undertaken without undertaking a public quotation process in the reporting period.

- 22. For each instance identified above, where a public quotation process was not undertaken, including for Certificates 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) What was the reason for not using the public quotation process or for requiring a Certificate of Exemption?
  - d) Who recommended the course of action in c) above?
  - e) Who approved the course of action in c) above?
- a) What is the description of the goods and services contracted?
- Consultancy Homelessness and Accommodation Response to Rough Sleepers in Darwin and Katherine – develop a suite of options to improve client outcomes and assist people transition out of homelessness;
- Works and services Room to Breathe Early Works Package in Maningrida – upgrade works to existing houses;
- Works and services Room to Breathe Early Works Package in Ngukurr upgrade works to existing houses; and
- Works and services Weemol Civil Drainage Works Stage 1 construction of an open unlined drain.
  - b) What is the value of the goods and services contracted?
- \$1 564 576.
  - c) What was the reason for not using the public quotation process or for requiring a Certificate of Exemption?
- Select to five businesses. All firms are considered to have specialist and recent working knowledge of social policy issues impacting the Northern Territory and relevant expertise to deliver the project; and
- Room to Breathe and Weemol Civil Drainage Works procurements undertaken in accordance with standing exemptions remote communities.
  - d) Who recommended the course of action in c) above?
- A Director with appropriate delegation.
  - e) Who approved the course of action in c) above?
- An Executive Director with appropriate delegation.

23. Please advise the total number of NTG Corporate Credit Cards within the Agency, including the position titles and levels of the staff holding the corporate credit cards for the purchase of goods and/or services as at 31 March 2018.

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

The Department of Housing and Community Development holds the following Northern Territory Government Corporate Credit Cards:

Position Title	Position Level
Housing Officer	AO4
Facilities and Fleet Officer	AO5
Business Solutions Architect	AO7
Manager Housing Operations	SAO1
ICT Admin and Support Officer	AO5
Business Support Officer	AO5
Executive Officer	AO6
Assistant Grants Program Officer	AO5
Senior Project Officer	AO6
Language Services Officer	AO4
Business Manager	AO6
Assistant Business Support	AO4
Officer	
Support Officer	AO4
Divisional Business Manager	AO6
Human Resource Support Officer	AO4
Executive Assistant	AO4

## **NT Home Ownership**

Nil Northern Territory Government Corporate Credit Card are held by NT Home Ownership.

## FOCUS GROUPS / POLLING / SURVEYS

24. Please detail expenditure during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018 on opinion polls and focus groups, including costs and entities that conducted the work.

Nil.

25. Please provide copies of the surveys identified in question 24 above and detail all surveys undertaken, their form, the cost and what inducements were provided to incentivise participation during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.

Nil.

## **COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING**

26. Please detail expenditure on advertising and communications during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.

For each advertisement for which an expense was incurred:

- a) What was the purpose / description of the advertisement?
- b) Who was the advertisement placed with, i.e. media outlet, newspaper, television station or similar?
- c) What was the total production cost, including, but not limited to, design, commissions, placement costs?
- d) Were tenders or expressions of interest called? If not, why not?

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

Advertising medium	Program	Cost
Newspaper – NT News, Centralian Advocate	Public Housing Safety Officers Body Worn Video Cameras	2087
Newspaper – NT News	Bereavement notices	1328
Newspaper – NT News, Centralian Advocate	Community Housing – release Request for Proposals (Properties at: Alawa, Roseberry and Gillen)	4292
Newspaper – NT News, Centralian Advocate, Katherine Times, Tennant and District Times	Social Head leasing - Long Term Leases – First round Advising of industry briefings and RTF released	7746
Radio – Hot 100FM Territory FM, 8HA, SunFM	Social Head leasing - Long Term Leases – First round Advising of industry briefings and RTF released	7165
Newspaper – NT News, Centralian Advocate, Katherine Times, Tennant and District Times	Social Head leasing - Long Term Leases – Addendum – extension of RFP submissions	7167
Newspaper – NT News, Centralian Advocate, Katherine Times, Tennant and District Times	Seniors Christmas Cakes	2081
Newspapers – NT News and Centralian Advocate	Advising of the temporary relocation of Casuarina Housing Office (CASCOM)	2766

Newspaper – NT News, Centralian Advocate, Katherine Times, Tennant and District	Public Housing Garden competition	
Times		4117
Vouchers	Public Housing Garden competition – winners vouchers	1850
Newspaper – NT News, Centralian Advocate, Katherine Times, Tennant and District Times, Palmerston Sun, Litchfield Sun	Future Tenders opportunities – Industry sessions in regional centres	5167
Radio - Hot 100FM Territory FM, 8HA, SunFM, 8CCC	Future Tenders opportunities – Industry sessions in regional centres	5491
Newspaper – NT News	Homeland servicing grants – EOI – briefing sessions	485
Newspaper – NT News, Sunday Territorian, Centralian Advocate, Katherine Times, Tennant and District Times,	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – promotion of program	10.077
Television – Aboriginal TV4 Education TV43, Darwin TV341, ICTV, Imparja, Channel 7(including 7TWO, 7 MATE, Channel 9 (including GEM, GO), Life Darwin, Ten Digital	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – promotion of program	12,877 21,546
Radio – CAAMA, TEBBA AW, Yolngu, Radio Larrakia	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – promotion of program. Radio ads in language – Yolngu Matha, Kriol, Warlpiri, Pitjantjara, Tiwi	9179
Costs include - Filming, travel, accommodation and production of TVC - Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes	Travel (flights) – to Areyonga, Gapuwiyak, Beswick, Wurrumiyanga	34,147
Social Media - Facebook and Google ads	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package investment – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – promotion of program	1379
Outdoor PVC banner	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – promotion of program	378
Coreflutes	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – promotion of program – placed on homes having works (Room to Breathe)	2249
Banner – Mesh Roll _ design and production of 2 x50 metre rolls	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – for use on fencing where work is being carried out in communities	2585
Pull up banners	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – promotion of program. Quantity: 4	2398

DL Flyers	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – information on the 10 year program. Initial print run and reprints	1338
Travel and Production for Advertorials – Areyonga and Hermannsburg	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – Advertorials x 2. Areyonga including local decision making and Hermannsburg including contractors – Room to Breathe	9063
Placement of Advertorials (TVC) – Aboriginal TV4 Education TV43, Darwin TV341, ICTV, Channel 9, GEM, Go Darwin, Southern Cross Imparja	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – Advertorials x 2. Areyonga including local decision making and Hermannsburg including contractors – Room to Breathe	15607
Production of Radio	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – Radio commercials were produced from the Areyonga and Hermannsburg advertorials	2420
Placement of Radio – Radio Larrakia, Australian Indigenous Radio Satellite 913 Darwin Radio Stream,	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – Radio commercials were produced from the Areyonga and Hermannsburg advertorials	4000
Travel and Production for Advertorials - Maningrida	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes showing works and community engagement	5177
Travel and Production for Advertorials - Wadeye	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes – show works and contractor involvement	2200
TVC - Production	\$1.1 Remote Housing Investment Package – Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes Revised the original TVC and including information about Room to Breathe works	4733
Outdoor Banner	NAIDOC Week	289
Pull up Banners	Department of Housing and Community Development generic banners Quantity: 4	2085
DL Flyers	Careers Expo – for the stand at the expo	390
Resource	Remote Engagement and Coordination Strategy resource	1949
	TOTAL	187,731

## **NT Home Ownership**

Advertising medium	Program - NT Home Ownership	Cost
Newspaper – Centralian Advocate	HomeBuild Access – Information session on home loans and the Kilgariff development, Alice Springs	3193
Radio – NT News	HomeBuild Access – Information session on home loans and the Kilgariff development, Alice Springs	5042
Newspaper – NT News, Australian Financial Review	Mortgage Management – seeking tenders for provision of the loan portfolio management services for NTG home loan portfolio	5350
Social Media - Facebook	Mortgage Management – seeking tenders for provision of the loan portfolio management services for NTG home loan portfolio	84
	TOTAL	13,669

Tenders were not called as each activity was not over the Tier 2 threshold.

## **TRAVEL**

- 27. Please provide the total expenditure and itemised details of travel, including, but not limited to travel-related costs such as accommodation, travel allowance, entertainment, car rental, meals and incidentals, in each Agency and authority for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018 broken down to:
  - a) International travel
  - b) Interstate travel
  - c) Intrastate travel

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

 For the period 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, the Department of Housing and Community Development paid \$1 691 904 in travel expenses.

The breakdown of travel costs by international, interstate and intrastate is as follows:

- a. \$718 for international travel;
- b. \$173 542 for interstate travel; and
- c. \$1 517 644 for intrastate travel.

## **NT Home Ownership**

• For the period 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, NT Home Ownership paid \$3396 in travel expenses.

The breakdown of travel costs by international, interstate and intrastate is as follows:

- a. Nil expenses for international travel;
- b. \$2229 for interstate travel; and
- c. \$1167 for intrastate travel.
- 28. In the case of international travel identified in response to question 27 above, please provide the purpose, itinerary, persons and costs involved in each trip.

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

The following table details international travel undertaken by the Department of Housing and Community Development:

Travel from date	Travel to date	Traveller	Destination	Reason for Travel	Total Travel Cost to 31/03/2018
8 September 2017	24 September 2017	Jim Bamber	China	ANZSOG China Reciprocal Program	\$718

## **NT Home Ownership**

Nil international travel for NT Home Ownership.

29. Please provide itemised details and itemisation of costs of all travel undertaken by the Minister that was paid for by the Agency or authority, including travel on charters during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.

Nil.

### **HOSPITALITY / FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS**

30. Please provide full details of all public service hospitality provided for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.

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 Ministerial staff attended?
- e) How many MLAs attended?
- f) How many public sector employees attended?
- g) What was the total cost incurred?

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

The Department of Housing and Community Development incurred total hospitality expenditure of \$25 404 from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018 as detailed below:

	Attendees						
Purpose	Ministers	Ministerial Staff	MLAs	Public Sector Employees	Other	Total Attendees	Amount
Chief Minister Awards	-	-	-	30	_	30	\$3 000
NAIDOC ball	-	-	-	10	-	10	\$1 500
Housing Reference Group Meetings	-	-	-	Various	-	Various	\$7 727
Homelessness Strategy Consultation Workshop	-	-	-	Various	-	Various	\$1 702
Community Engagement Workshops	-	-	-	Various	-	Various	\$1 188
Training Workshops	-	-	-	Various	-	Various	\$6 056
Morning Teas	-	-	-	Various	_	Various	\$4 231
Total							\$25 404

## **NT Home Ownership**

NT Home Ownership did not pay any hospitality and entertainment expenses for the period 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018.

## **GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

31. Please detail expenditure on grants and donations paid by your Agency (including the recipient of each grant) during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.

## **Local Government Grants 2017-18**

## Northern Territory Operational Subsidy - Completed by 31 March 2018

Council	Approved	Actual
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	\$1 397 659	\$1 397 659
Belyuen Community Government Council	\$76 728	\$76 728
Coomalie Community Government Council	\$523 873	\$523 873
Wagait Shire Council	\$157 513	\$157 513
West Arnhem Regional Council	\$3 442 425	\$3 442 425
East Arnhem Regional Council	\$6 058 086	\$6 058 086
Victoria Daly Regional Council	\$1 499 820	\$1 499 820
West Daly Regional Council	\$1 606 566	\$1 606 566
Roper Gulf Regional Council	\$3 953 317	\$3 953 317
Barkly Regional Council	\$4 022 992	\$4 022 992
Central Desert Regional Council	\$2 285 255	\$2 285 255
MacDonnell Regional Council	\$3 725 766	\$3 725 766
Total	\$28 750 000	\$28 750 000

## Reserves and Other Organisations - Actual to 31 March 2018

Organisation		Approved	Actual
Katherine Town Council	Operational funding for the community of Binjari	\$229 936	\$172 452
Blatherskite Park Reserve	Operational funding	\$145 000	\$108 750
Roper Gulf Regional Council	Operational funding for the community of Larrimah	\$8 922	\$8 922
Robbie Robins Reserve	Operational funding	\$75 000	\$56 250
Barkly Regional Council	Local Authority Project Funding	\$100 000	\$100 000
Nhulunbuy Public Cemetery Trust	Operational funding	\$10 000	\$10 000
Roper Gulf Regional Council	Operational funding for the Mataranka (Else Cemetery)	\$2 000	\$2 000
Australia Day Council Inc. (of the (NT)	Towards the sponsorship of the 2018 Australia day awards	\$10 000	\$10 000
Total		\$580 858	\$468 374

## <u>Local Authority Project Funding – Completed by 31 March 2018</u>

Council	Approved	Actual
Barkly Regional Council	\$360 880	\$296 900
Central Desert Regional Council	\$545 920	\$545 920
East Arnhem Regional Council	\$1 249 260	\$1 249 260
MacDonnell Regional Council	\$571 710	\$344 980
Roper Gulf Regional Council	\$829 620	\$829 620
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	\$359 880	\$0
Victoria Daly Regional Council	\$336 220	\$336 220
West Arnhem Regional Council	\$630 170	\$410 530
West Daly Regional Council	\$468 340	\$468 340
Total	\$5 352 000	\$4 481 770

## <u>Indigenous Jobs Development Funding – Actual to 31 March 2018</u>

Council	Approved	Actual
Barkly Regional Council	\$968 000	\$484 000
Belyuen Community Government	\$39 000	\$19 500
Council		
Central Desert Regional Council	\$679 000	\$339 500
East Arnhem Regional Council	\$1 228 000	\$614 000
MacDonnell Regional Council	\$1 335 000	\$667 500
Roper Gulf Regional Council	\$1 601 000	\$759 711
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	\$571 000	\$285 500
Victoria Daly Regional Council	\$727 000	\$363 500
West Arnhem Regional Council	\$760 000	\$380 000
West Daly Regional Council	\$592 000	\$288 327
Total	\$8 500 000	\$4 201 538

## Regional Council Budget Assistance – to 31 March 2018

Council	Approved	Actual
Victoria Daly Regional Council	\$1 000 000	\$500 000
West Daly Regional Council	\$300 000	\$300 000
Total	\$1 300 000	\$800 000

## One-Off Grants - to 31 March 2018

Council	Purpose	Approved	Actual
Belyuen Community Government Council	To assist with meeting council's operational costs in the 2017-18 financial year, in particular elected member allowances	\$77 185	\$77 185
Coomalie Community Government Council	To assist with pursuing a stronger rural local government model in the region	\$100 000	\$100 000
Coomalie Community Government Council	To assist with the delivery of a comprehensive review on the assets of the Coomalie and Belyuen Community Government Councils	\$40 590	\$40 590
Local Government Association of the NT	To cover the cost of parliamentary council drafting of by-laws	\$112 500	\$112 500
MacDonnell Regional Council	To employ a Central Australian Waste Management Coordinator	\$50 000	0
Total		\$380 275	\$330 275

## One-Off Grants - to 31 March 2018 - Unbudgeted

Council	Purpose	Approved	Actual
City of Darwin	Towards replacing the air conditioning at the Darwin Entertainment centre	\$2 000 000	\$2 000 000
Total		\$2 000 000	\$2 000 000

## <u>Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements – to 31 March 2018 – Unbudgeted</u>

Council	Purpose	Approved	Actual
Central Desert Regional Council	NDRRA – Central Australian flash flooding December 2016/January 2017	\$2 000 000	\$2 000 000
MacDonnell Regional Council	NDRRA – Central Australian flash flooding December 2016/January 2017	\$2 370 000	\$2 370 000
Total		\$4 370 000	\$4 370 000

# <u>Special Purpose Grant Funding – Application Based Grants Round One – Actual to 31 March 2018</u>

Council	Purpose	Approved	Actual
Alice Springs Town Council	Towards installation of four outdoor fitness stations including softfall near the walking tacks of the Todd River.	\$72 330	\$72 330
Barkly Regional Council	To implement an animal management program throughout the Barkly region.	\$200 000	\$0
Belyuen Community Government Council	To purchase a tilt back tyre changer, wheel balancer and a wheel camera aligner with alignment hoist for the civil works mechanic workshop.	\$55 000	\$0
Central Desert Regional Council	To purchase a room container unit, a drop deck semi-trailer, 2nd hand service vehicle and dolly to enable road crew to camp out bush whilst conducting road maintenance works.	\$239 500	\$239 500
City of Palmerston	To install CCTV cameras and operating systems at the Palmerston recreation centre, swimming and fitness Centre, library and civic building public areas.	\$47 000	\$0
Coomalie Community Government Council	To upgrade and refurbish public toilets at the Batchelor and Adelaide River ovals and at Gut Myrtle Fawcett park.	\$130 000	\$130 000
East Arnhem Regional Council	To purchase and install 31 container deposit cages across all council's communities to reduce ground litter.	\$98 894	\$0
Litchfield Council	To purchase and install a solar photo-voltaic (PV) system on Council's main office building at Fred's Pass.	\$78 720	\$0
MacDonnell Regional Council	To purchase a backhoe loader to assist with waste management and maintenance of roads and municipal works at Imanpa community.	\$164 800	\$0

Council	Purpose	Approved	Actual
Roper Gulf Regional Council	To repair Ngukurr swimming pools due to wear and tear of the gel coat and fiberglass seals causing adverse bulging in the fiberglass liner.	\$173 853	\$0
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	To purchase and deliver a second hand grader to service the 1000 kms of roads network across the Tiwi Islands.	\$278 621	\$0
Victoria Daly Regional Council	To purchase a small grader to improve efficiency of council's civil works.	\$83 100	\$83 100
Victoria Daly Regional Council	To purchase a compaction roller to undertake a broader range of work ensuring more efficiency.	\$49 682	\$49 682
Wagait Shire Council	To construct a green waste fenced compound for the residents of Wagait Beach.	\$10 214	\$10 214
Wagait Shire Council	Towards installation of CCTV to protect and safeguard council infrastructure. Cameras to be installed at sportsground, council workshop, community centre and offices.	\$6 126	\$6 126
Wagait Shire Council	Towards the purchase a zero turn mower.	\$5 590	\$5 590
West Arnhem Regional Council	Towards the purchase a mobile car crusher/baler.	\$200 000	\$0
West Daly Regional Council	To implement an animal management program in Wadeye, Peppimenarti and Palumpa through a partnership involving Animal Management in Rural and Remote Indigenous Communities (AMRRIC) and Thamarrurr Development Corporation (TDC).	\$82 920	\$82 920
Total	(150).	\$1 976 350	\$679 462

# <u>Strategic Local Government Infrastructure Fund – Application Based Grants – Actual to 31 March 2018</u>

Council	Purpose	Approved	Actual
Barkly Regional Council	Upgrade council's communication infrastructure to provide a stable and consistent platform across council's seven communities	\$375 847	\$375 847
Belyuen Community Government Council	Various upgrades to the community store which includes upgrade to the store electrics, remove and replace all fridges and freezers and install solar panels.	\$189 886	\$0
Central Desert Regional Council	To upgrade traffic signage & traffic furniture in Yuendumu, Yuelamu, Lajamanu, Nyirripi, Atitjere, Engawala, Pmara Jutunta and Nturiya.	\$354 777	\$0
Coomalie Community Government Council	To complete Stage 3 of Coach Road. Works to involve improving table drains, upgrading four flood ways and two culverts, strengthen payment, seal entire works and reseal after 3 months and install guideposts, floodway, warning and direction signs.	\$414 608	\$414 608
East Arnhem Regional Council	To replace roof structure on the municipal services depot and vehicle storage shed at Lot 131 in Umbakumba on Groote Eylandt	\$193 385	\$0
East Arnhem Regional Council	To upgrade/replace municipal services security fencing in current volatile substance abuse focus areas in Galiwinku, Milingimbi, Gapuwiyak within East Arnhem land	\$237 638	\$0
MacDonnell Regional Council	To upgrade council infrastructure (mainly staff housing & pool)	\$731 380	\$0
Roper Gulf Regional Council	Repairs to Rocky Creek Crossing, Robinson Road, Borroloola (dependent on securing other grant funding)	\$0	\$0
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	To design, construct, purchase and deliver a new passenger and car ferry with purpose built trailer to operate in the Aspley Strait between Bathurst and Melville Islands.	\$500 000	\$0

Council	Purpose	Approved	Actual
Victoria Daly Regional Council	To upgrade council's waste management facilities (Kalkarindji and Yarralin). Works to include shade structure, block retainer wall for ramps and concrete platforms, 2nd hand 10m3 tip truck, security fencing, separate recycling areas, sealed and gravel internal road access, improved drainage, rehabilitation of existing refuse tips and cells and construction of 170,000 litre line leachate ponds.	\$647 755	\$647 755
Wagait Shire Council  West Arnhem	Irrigation of Cloppenburg Park which will include bore drilling, tank and associated pumps, electrical services, travelling sprinkler and installation of security fencing To install a hard shade cover over	\$83 694 \$272 680	\$83 694 \$272 680
Regional Council	the Maningrida basketball court	Ψ=:= σσσ	<b>V</b> =1 = 000
West Daly Regional Council	Staff housing priority works in Wadeye (total 133 works to various lots)	\$201 350	\$201 350
Total		\$4 203 000	\$1 995 934

## <u>Power and Water Corporation Street Light Repairs and Maintenance</u> <u>Reimbursement – to 31 March 2018</u>

Council	Approved	Actual
Barkly Regional Council	\$9 018	\$0
City of Darwin	\$460 047	\$460 047
City of Palmerston	\$237 908	\$237 908
Coomalie Community Government Council	\$7 252	\$7 252
Litchfield Council	\$16 321	\$16 321
Roper Gulf Regional Council	\$12 935	\$5 551
Victoria Daly Regional Council	\$9 151	\$7 115
West Arnhem Regional Council	\$7 511	\$4 156
Katherine Town Council	\$7 235	\$0
Total	\$767 378	\$738 350

32. Please detail the funds used to distribute awards and sponsorships in the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018. Indicate which awards and sponsorships were managed by Regional Offices. What is anticipated for the 2018-19 financial year?

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

For the period 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018, the Department of Housing and Community Development paid \$20 000 in sponsorships expenses.

No awards and scholarships were managed by Regional Offices.

The budget for the 2018-19 financial year is not yet allocated.

## **NT Home Ownership**

NT Home Ownership issued no awards or sponsorships during the period 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018.

The budget for the 2018-19 financial year is not yet allocated.

33. Please detail the amounts paid on grants to non-government organisations for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018, including to which organisation and the services to be provided?

<u>2017-18 Grant Funding Expenditure for Specialist Homelessness Services – 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018 (GST exclusive)</u>

Organisation Name	Service Type	Expenditure 1/7/17 to 31/3/18
	BARKLY REGION	
CatholicCare NT	Support Services	\$559 324
Total for Barkly Region:		\$559 324
В	IG RIVERS REGION	
Anglicare N.T. LTD.	Accommodation Management	\$114 316
	Support Services	\$457 262
CatholicCare NT	Support Services	\$236 195
Somerville Community Services	Support Services	\$343 714
St Vincent De Paul Society (NT)	Accommodation Management	\$20 205
	Support Services	\$158 299
Mission Australia	Support Services	\$234 750
Total for Big Rivers:	1	\$1 564 741

CENTRAL AUSTRALIA REGION		
Aboriginal Hostels Limited	Accommodation Management	\$1 439 798
Aboriginal Hostels Limited	Accommodation Management	\$645 740
Alice Springs Youth	Accommodation Management	\$315 977
Accommodation and Support Services	Support Services	\$790 185
Anglicare N.T. LTD.	Accommodation Management	\$239 057
	Support Services	\$1 110 528
Mission Australia	Accommodation Management	\$386 250
	Support Services	\$620 250
	Accommodation Management	\$330 000
	Support Services	\$417 001
The Salvation Army (NT) Property	Accommodation Management	\$403 147
Trust	Support Services	\$253 578
Mental Health Association of Central Australia	Support Services	\$189 168
Tangentyere Council Aboriginal Corporation	Support Services	\$525 293
Total for Central Australia Region	n	\$7 665 972

	DARWIN REGION	
Anglicare N.T. LTD.	Accommodation Management	\$134 545
	Support Services	\$538 179
Anglicare N.T. LTD.	Accommodation Management	\$180 456
	Support Services	\$721 821
CatholicCare NT	Support Services	\$366 818
Council for Aboriginal Alcohol Program Services	Support Services	\$61 220
Darwin Aboriginal and Islander	Accommodation Management	\$40 500
Women's Shelter Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation	Support Services	\$162 000
Darwin Christian Ministries	Accommodation Management	\$464 254
Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation	Support Services	\$305 811
Mission Australia	Accommodation Management	\$161 250
	Support Services	\$522 000
Somerville Community Services	Accommodation Management	\$61 268
	Support Services (Including No Interest Loans Scheme)	\$350 077
St Vincent De Paul Society (NT)	Accommodation Management	\$174 496
	Support Services	\$749 872
The Salvation Army (NT) Property Trust	Accommodation Management and Support Services	\$298 548
	Support Services	\$382 726
YWCA of Darwin	Accommodation Management	\$116 233

	Support Services	\$1 028 767
Total for Darwin Region		\$6 820 841
EAS	ST ARNHEM REGION	
Anglicare N.T. LTD.	Support Services	\$112 500
Total for East Arnhem		\$112 500
HOMELES	SNESS INNOVATION FUND	
Central Australia Affordable Housing Company	My Place	\$382 309
The Salvation Army (NT) Property	Katherine Homelessness Hub	\$140 000
Trust	The Nest	\$65 000
Total for Homelessness Innovation Fund		\$587 309
Grand Total:		\$17 310 687

# <u>Grant Funding Expenditure for Specialist Homelessness Services between</u> 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 (GST exclusive) for Service Delivery in 2017-18

Organisation Name	Service Type	Expenditure 1/6/16 to 30/6/17 for service delivery in 2017-18
DARWIN REGION		
Council for Aboriginal Alcohol Program Services	Support Services	\$72 750
Northern Territory Shelter	Homelessness Response Group	\$163 547
The Salvation Army (NT) Property Trust	Towards Independence Program Top End	\$503 025
Total for Darwin Region:		\$739 322
CENTRAL AUSTRALIA REGION		
Anglicare NT Ltd.	Neighbourhood Enhancement Project	\$150 000
Total for Central Australia Region		\$150 000
NT REGION / PEAK BODY		
Northern Territory Shelter	Peak Body	\$492 184
	ShelterMe Review	\$15 000
Total for NT Region / Peak Body:		\$507 184
Grand Total:		\$1 396 506

#### MEDIA MONITORING SERVICES

34. Please provide expenditure details on media monitoring services for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018 (including entities engaged and who uses the service).

Isentia provides media monitoring services to the Department of Housing and Community Development for the delivery of daily media to the Chief Executive Officer, Deputy Chief Executive Officers and Executive Directors. The daily media is also distributed within the Department as required. The billing and payment for the media monitoring services was undertaken in late April to early May 2017, outside of the reporting period. The yearly cost for the service was \$14 000.

#### INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

35. What are the details, by project, of re-voted capital works in all Department and Government Authorities for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018?

A whole-of-government response to questions 35, 37 and 38 will be provided by the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.

36. How many projects have been submitted or are in the process of being submitted to Infrastructure Australia to be considered for the Infrastructure Priority List?

A whole-of-government response to question 36 will be provided by the Minister for Trade, Business and Innovation.

37. Please provide details of newly committed projects for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.

A whole-of-government response to questions 35, 37 and 38 will be provided by the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.

38. Please provide details of contracts awarded to interstate firms, for what purpose, the cost and why a Territory firm was not chosen.

A whole-of-government response to questions 35, 37 and 38 will be provided by the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.

#### **GOVERNMENT LEASED BUILDINGS**

39. What is the total annual power bill of each Government building owned/leased/used by each Department for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018?

The total Department of Housing and Community Development cost incurred for leased offices is \$348 383.80 (year to date) as at 31 March 2018.

- 40. What is the total annual leased space of each Government building used by each Agency/authority and at what cost for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018?
- 41. How much Government owned or leased premises or office space is currently underused (at less than 100 per cent occupied) or vacant?

A whole-of-government response to questions 40 to 41 will be provided by the Minister for Corporate and Information Services.

#### **FEES AND CHARGES**

42. Please detail the statutory or legislative fees and charges levied by your Agency/authority, the revenue raised in the 2017-18 financial year and whether any of these fees and charges was increased following the passage of the 2017-18 financial year budget.

## **Department of Housing and Community Development**

The Department of Housing and Community Development does not have any statutory or legislative fees and charges.

## **NT Home Ownership**

NT Home Ownership does not have any statutory or legislative fees and charges.

## **INTERNAL AUDITS**

43. How many internal audits and financial investigations were conducted in the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018?

The Department of Housing and Community Development currently has two internal audits open and on track for completion in the 2017-18 reporting period.

One internal audit has been completed with recommendations currently being implemented.

44. What were the terms of reference or focus for each investigation?

Internal audit/investigation	Terms of Reference or focus
\$5 million Stimulus High Level Review (Internal)	To provide a high level summary of the Stimulus Program procurement compliance and governance since establishment.
Travel Audit – Year Ending 31 December 2017 (Internal)	To assess compliance with select parts of the Northern Territory Government Travel Policy Framework – six monthly
Public Housing Safety Officer Compliance Audit (Internal)	Assess the adequacy, effectiveness and efficiency of controls designed to ensure compliance with relevant legislation and information sharing arrangements (MOU NT Police)

45. Please provide details of any fraud, anomalies, breaches of financial legislation or Northern Territory Government policy and procedures exposed by the audits and financial investigations.

The \$5 million stimulus review identified some areas of non-compliance with procurement policy and guidelines. Areas such as a delay in loading awarded contracts into APRO and a lack of structured process for the escalation of issues relating to non-compliance. All recommendations from the audit have now been reviewed and are being implemented.

All other audits are currently in progress.

#### **BOARDS / ADVISORY BODIES**

- 46. Please detail all boards and advisory bodies in your Agency in 2017-18, also providing the following information:
  - a) The Terms of Reference
  - b) The current members and when they were appointed
  - c) The total remuneration paid to each Board member during the 2017-18 financial year
  - d) The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2017-18 financial year
  - e) The number of times the Board met during the period beginning beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018

#### List of Boards/Advisory Bodies:

## **Public Housing Appeals Board**

a) The Terms of Reference

## The Terms of Reference for the Public Housing Appeals Board

## **Purpose**

The Public Housing Appeals Board (the Board) has been established to provide an informal, independent and effective mechanism for the review of certain decisions made by the Department of Housing and Community Development (the Department), to allow for recommendations to be made to the Department in relation to those decisions and, more broadly, in relation to the Department's policies and procedures associated with those decisions.

The Department's Appeals Policy (the Policy) sets out which decisions can and cannot be reviewed by the Board.

## **Guiding Principles**

The Board acknowledges that the Department provides services in relation to affordable and accessible housing options and pathways to eligible Territorians and that the Department continually balances individual client needs with its broader client base.

The Board acknowledges that the Department is committed to good governance by ensuring that its decision-making processes conform to administrative law principles and the principles of procedural fairness and natural justice:

- Clients in receipt of a service have the right to be heard and to present relevant information;
- Clients can respond to reasons given for declining a service;
- Decisions are based on clearly specified criteria and only factors relevant to the decisions are considered;
- Individual factors are given proper weight and balance and decisions are not manifestly unreasonable; and
- The decision-maker must not exceed their power or delegated responsibility.

## Membership

Members of the Board, including the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson, will be appointed by the Minister for Housing and Community Development (the Minister) for a period of two years and may be reappointed for one or more additional terms of two years.

Members of the Board will be selected from the general community (including public housing tenants), government and non-government organisations and industry service organisations.

The number of members will be determined by the Minister from time to time.

## **Composition of the Board and Timing of Hearings**

Appeal hearings will be conducted by three Members of the Board, one of whom will be the Chairperson or Deputy Chairperson. The Deputy Chairperson will convene and chair all appeal hearings where the Chairperson cannot.

Members of the Board must not be involved in any hearing where there is an actual or potential conflict of interest. Members of the Board should also consider a perceived conflict of interest.

Appeal hearings will be held as required, consistent with the effective operation of the Policy.

## Responsibilities

The Board will hear and determine second tier appeals in accordance with the Policy. In hearing appeals, the Board will:

- Comply with the principles of procedural fairness, in particular, ensure that the appellant has an opportunity to be heard and has access to appropriate support, including translation services as appropriate;
- Determine its own procedures;
- Inform itself in any way that it considers appropriate;
- Act with as little formality as the circumstances permit;
- Make further enquiries as it considers appropriate in order to enable it to properly consider any second tier appeal matter before it;
- Determine matters as expeditiously as the circumstances permit;
   and
- Consistent with the requirements of the Policy, provide a written report to the Department on any determination or recommendation made in relation to any second tier appeal (including any majority or minority views) and annex any documents or material relevant to the determination or recommendation.

The Board may also make recommendations to the Department in relation to any matter arising from a second tier appeal (including in relation to the Department's associated policies and procedures).

## **Additional Responsibilities of the Chair**

Additional responsibilities of the Chairperson include:

- Ensuring the effective operation of the Board;
- Arranging training and mentoring for Members of the Board as appropriate;
- Liaising with and providing advice to the Department as appropriate and consistent with the Policy and the Terms of Reference; and
- Representing the Board at public forums.

#### Review

The Terms of Reference will be reviewed every 12 months.

b) The current members and when they were appointed

The Public Housing Appeals Board currently has nine members:

- Mariane Conarty Chairperson appointed 1 July 2017
- Robyn Harrison Deputy Chairperson appointed 1 July 2017
- Diane Davis Deputy Chairperson appointed 1 July 2017
- Vanessa Lethlean Member appointed 1 July 2017
- Jeff Verinder Member appointed 1 July 2017

- Sydney Stirling Member appointed 1 July 2017
- Jill Huck Member appointed 1 July 2017
- Robert Kendrick Member appointed 1 July 2017
- Tracey Brand Member appointed 1 July 2017
- c) The total remuneration paid to each Board member during the 2017-18 financial year.

The sitting allowance per day, when conducting Public Housing Appeals Board business, is \$719 for the Chair and \$405 for members.

Not all members are remunerated.

d) The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2017-18 financial year

The total cost for the Public Housing Appeals Board from 1 July 2017 to the 31 March 2018 is \$6126.90. The costs incurred relate to sitting fees and administrative support.

e) The number of times the Board met during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018

The Public Housing Appeals Board met five times in the period from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018.

## **Statutory Committees**

Under legislation administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development, there are three types of local government statutory committees plus the legislated Northern Territory Grants Commission.

## **Local Government Disciplinary Committee**

	Questions	Response
A.	The current	<ul> <li>The Local Government Disciplinary Committee is established pursuant to Part 7.4, Division 2 of the Local Government Act. There are no terms of reference.</li> <li>The disciplinary committee deals with complaints made against any member of a council, local board, local authority or council committee, for an alleged breach of a council's code of conduct.</li> <li>When the Department receives a complaint it constitutes a disciplinary committee from a pool of eligible members to consider it. The disciplinary committee is independent and has three members, a nominee of the Minister responsible for the Local Government Act, a nominee of the Attorney-General and a nominee of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory. The Committee meets as and when required, depending on the nature of the complaint.</li> </ul>
B.	The current members and when they were appointed	<ul> <li>On 13 November 2017, a total of 20 people from each of the three classes were appointed as people eligible to be members of a local government disciplinary committee. The appointments are for a term of three years and include:         <ul> <li>Attorney-</li> <li>General</li> <li>nominated</li> <li>appointments</li> <li>Development nominated appointments</li> <li>Development nominated appointments</li> </ul> </li> <li>Ms Ruth Ms Karan Aitken</li> <li>Mr Peter Clee</li> <li>Mr Andrew Ms Sue Aitken</li> <li>Ms Lyma Mr Brett Aitken</li> <li>Ms Gaye</li> <li>Ms Gaye</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Mr Joshua</li> <li>Mr Glenn</li> <li>Ingrames</li> <li>Bernardin</li> </ul>

		<ul> <li>Ms Kylee</li></ul>
C.	The total remuneration paid to each Board member during the 2017-18 financial year	<ul> <li>Members of the disciplinary committee are remunerated for considering and determining a complaint. The sitting allowance per day, when conducting disciplinary committee business, is \$540 for the Chair and \$405 for members.</li> <li>Members of the disciplinary committee who are public servants are not remunerated.</li> </ul>
D.	The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2017-18 financial year	As of 31 March 2017, the total operational expenditure for the Local Government Disciplinary Committee is \$6302.24.
E.	The number of times the Board met during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.	The Department does not convene or schedule the meetings of the independent disciplinary committees. The Local Government Disciplinary Committee meets as and when required, depending on the nature of the complaints being considered. The Department receives confirmation of how many meetings have been held by the Disciplinary Committee considering a complaint when it receives invoices for remuneration from committee members.

## **Local Government Accounting Advisory Committee**

	Questions	Response
A.	The Terms of Reference	The Local Government Accounting Advisory     Committee is established pursuant to Part 2 of the     Local Government (Accounting) Regulations.
		The Advisory Committee provides advice to the Department of Housing and Community Development regarding local government financial management and accounting practices. The advisory committee also provides advice regarding legislative matters necessary to improve the standards of local government financial management and accounting.
В.	The current members and when they were appointed	<ul> <li>The advisory committee is represented by members from Institute of Chartered Accountants; Certified Practicing Accountants Australia; Local Government Professionals Australia; Northern Territory Finance Reference Group; Local Government Association of the Northern Territory; and Department of Housing and Community Development.</li> <li>Members were appointed to each of the five classes to the Local Government Accounting Advisory Committee on 24 August 2017. The term of the current members expires on 30 June 2020.</li> </ul>
		Institute of Chartered Government Territory Accountants & Professionals CPA Australia Australia Reference Group  Mr Mathew Kennon Leeder Maynard  Mr Derek Mayger Arnott  The Northern Territory Finance Reference Group  Ms Silke Maynard  Mr Greg Arnott

C.	The total remunerat ion paid to each Board member during the 2017-18 financial year	•	Members of the Local Government Accounting Advisory Committee are not remunerated.
D.	The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2017-18 financial year	•	Nil
E.	The number of times the Board met during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.	•	The Committee meets quarterly and has met three times since 1 July 2017.

# The Local Government Administration and Legislation Advisory Committee

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C.	The total remuneration paid to each Board member during the 2017-18 financial year		e Local Governme n Advisory Commit	

D.	The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2017-18 financial year	•	Nil
E.	The number of times the Board met during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.	•	The advisory committee met once between 1 July 2017 and 31 March 2018.

## **The Northern Territory Grants Commission**

	Questions	Response
Α.	The Terms of Reference	<ul> <li>The Local Government Grants Commission is established pursuant to Part II of the Local Government Grants Commission Act.</li> <li>The Commission is responsible for making recommendations to the Minister for Housing and Community Development (the Minister) concerning the distribution of Commonwealth financial assistance grants under the Commonwealth Local Government Financial Assistance Act.</li> </ul>
В.	The current members and when they were appointed	<ul> <li>The Commission consist of four members that include:         <ul> <li>an independent Chair appointed by the Minister;</li> <li>a person who represents the interests of Municipal councils;</li> <li>a person representing the interests of regional councils; and</li> <li>a nominee of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Department of Housing and Community Development, or the CEO's nominee.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The current members of the commission are:     </li> <li>Independent Chair the interests of the interests of the interests of (appointed by the Chair the interests of (appointed Councils the interests of (appointed Councils the interests of (appointed Councils the interests of CEO of the Department CHAIR Ramkumar (appointed (appointed on COUNCILS the CEO of the Department CHAIR Ramkumar (appointed (appointed on COUNCILS the Alternative Mar Ryan is member to Mr Alternative member to Mr Ryan is currently Hennessy (alternative permanent member to Mr Ryan is currently vacant.         <ul> <li>Alternative member to Mr Alternative member to Mr Alternative permanent member to Mr Alternative perma</li></ul></li></ul>
C.	The total remuneration paid to each Board member during the 2017-18 financial year	Members of the Northern Territory Grants Commission are remunerated. The Chair's remuneration is currently \$21 570 per annum, while other members are paid a sitting allowance of \$405 per day when conducting commission business. Members of the commission who are public servants are not remunerated.

D.	The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2017-18 financial year	<ul> <li>The total operational expenditure for the commission to 31 March 2018 is \$54 982. Expenditure is itemised as follows:         <ul> <li>Sitting fees for Commissioners (\$4 253)</li> <li>Transport expenses (\$8 073</li> <li>Travelling expenses (\$5 792)</li> <li>Other expenses (audit and document production etc.) (\$17 093)</li> <li>Chairperson's sitting fees and remuneration from January 2017 (\$19 773)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
E.	The number of times the Board met during the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.	The commission has met twice between the period     1 July 2017 and 31 March 2018.

#### Reserves under the Crown Lands Act

Under the current *Administrative Arrangement Order*, the Minister for Housing and Community Development has responsibility for section 79 of the *Crown Lands Act* which provides for the appointment and powers of the trustees for reserves under the *Crown Land Act*. Blatherskite Park Reserve in Alice Springs commonly known as the Alice Springs showgrounds and Robbie Robins Reserve in Litchfield are reserves created under the *Crown Lands Act* that are managed by a Board of Trustees.

#### **Blatherskite Park Reserve**

	Questions	Response
A.	The Terms of Reference	Blatherskite Park is managed by a Board of Trustees appointed under section 79 of the Crown Lands Act (the Act) who are required to abide by administrative powers set out in section 79 of the Act.
B.	The current members and when they were appointed	<ul> <li>The current membership of Blatherskite Park is:</li> <li>Chairperson</li> <li>Ms Rebecca O'Shea (appointed 24 February 2016)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Mr Harry Cook (appointed 19 January 2011)</li> <li>Mr Kyle Pearson (appointed 21 June 2017)</li> <li>Mr Leslie Smith (appointed 29 March 2017)</li> <li>Ms Mette Spilsbury (appointed 25 October 2017)</li> <li>Ms Joanne Doyle (appointed 5 August 2016)</li> </ul>
C.	The total remuneration paid to each Board member during the 2017-18 financial year	Members of the Blatherskite Park Board of Trustees are not remunerated by the Department.
D.	The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2017-18 financial year	Not applicable

E.	The number of
	times the Board
	met during the
	period
	beginning 1 July
	2017 and ending
	31 March 2018.

- The Blatherskite Park Board of Trustees meet on the second Tuesday of every month. There are times where the Board meet outside these dates to tend to urgent matters.
- The Blatherskite Park Board of Trustees have met 10 times between 1 July 2017 and 31 March 2018.

## **Robbie Robbins Reserve**

	Questions	Response
A.	The Terms of Reference	Robbie Robbins Reserve is managed by a Board of Trustees appointed under section 79 of the <i>Crown Lands Act</i> (the Act) who are required to abide by administrative powers set out in section 79 of the Act.
B.	The current members and when they were appointed	<ul> <li>The current membership of Robbie Robbins Reserve is:</li> <li>Chairperson</li> <li>Ms John McLaren (appointed 24 February 2016)</li> <li>Members</li> <li>Mr Bruce Bremner (appointed 19 January 2011)</li> <li>Mr William Josephs (appointed 27 September 2006)</li> <li>Mrs Joan Hassell (appointed 1 June 1995)</li> <li>Ms Marguerite Gayosa</li> </ul>
C.	The total remuneration paid to each Board member during the 2017-18 financial year	<ul> <li>(appointed 24 April 1998)</li> <li>Members of the Robbie Robbins Reserve Board of Trustees are not remunerated by the Department.</li> </ul>
D.	The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2017-18 financial year	Not applicable
E.	The number of times the Board met during the	The Robbie Robbins Reserve Board of Trustees meet monthly or as often as required.

period	
beginning 1 July	
2017 and ending	
31 March 2018.	

#### **REVIEWS AND INQUIRIES**

- 47. Details of all reviews and inquiries completed or commenced during the 2017-18 financial year, also providing the following information:
  - a) The Terms of Reference
  - b) The criteria for selection of all panel members
  - c) The composition, qualifications and state or territory of residence of the persons undertaking the review/inquiry
  - d) The cost of the review/inquiry
  - e) How the information was/is accumulated to contribute to the review/inquiry
  - f) If completed, when, the outcome and whether the report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly
  - g) If not completed, when this is expected

Nil.

#### **WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY**

48. Please provide the number, nature and cost of reportable safety issues for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.

Mechanism Group	2017-2018	Cost of Claims July to November 2017
Slips, Trips and Falls	11	\$323,584.68
Chemicals and Substances	4	
Mental Factors	48	\$24,010.65
Body Stressing	14	
Vehicle Incidents	5	\$7824.27
Being hit by an object	14	\$545.78
Hazard Identification	65	
Biological Factors	3	
Environmental Factors	6	
Hitting Objects	5	
Other – Pre-existing medical condition and dizziness	7	
Sound and Pressure	1	
Total	183	\$355,965.38*

<sup>\*</sup>This figure is for July to November 2017 provided by DCIS

It should be noted that Gallagher Basset commenced managing Northern Territory Government Workers Compensation claims in December 2017 and report figures on costs during December 2017 to March 18 were not available at the time of preparing this response.

49. Please detail the number of stress related matters and claims for the period beginning 1 July 2017 and ending 31 March 2018.

For the reporting period, there were 48 reported incidents with three claims.

#### **REGIONAL OFFICES**

50. Please detail expenditure on staff located in regional offices across the Territory. Include the number of staff, their functions and outcomes achieved in the 2017-18 financial year. What are the locations for which they are responsible?

#### **Department of Housing and Community Development**

Details on staff located in regional offices is provided in the table below:

Region	FTE	Staffing Cost	Locations Responsible for	Functions
Arafura Region	26.31	\$1,802,883	Arafura Region encompasses areas covered by the Tiwi Islands, Maningrida, Darwin and Gunbalanya	Provide accommodation and tenancy support services for eligible Territorians to access appropriate and safe housing options, working with agencies, communities and service providers to enhance the health and social wellbeing of Territorians. Deliver client-centric housing solutions in partnership with communities and service providers including growing the community housing sector and urban asset renewal.  Apply effective asset management principles to optimise the life of managed assets.  Undertake strategic planning, policy advice and funding to deliver supported accommodation and other essential services
Arnhem Region	19.78	\$1,657,734	The Arnhem region covers the Gove, Nhulunbuy and Ramingining areas	
Barkly Region	12.0	\$818,204	The coverage area includes Tennant Creek, Elliott and the Utopia region	
Big Rivers Region	23.74	\$2,000,585	The coverage area includes the Katherine, Timber Creek Pine Creek, Numbulwar and Robinson River regions	

Central Australia Region	37.59	\$2,720,631	The coverage area includes the Alice Springs region to Ti Tree in the north.	in over 70 remote Aboriginal communities and in urban areas.
Total	119.42	\$9,000,037		

## **NT Home Ownership**

NT Home Ownership has no staff located in regional offices.