

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Maley to the Chief Minister, and Treasurer:

Territory Labor's Buy Local Commitments

Following the 2016 Election, the Chief Minister Michael Gunner and then Treasurer Nicole Manison met with the Chamber of Commerce and the Manufacturers Council to reaffirm Labor's commitment to buying local and announce changes that would see more support flow through to locals.

Questions:

- 1. Has your 'independent board of oversight' been undertaking checks to ensure that contractors are using their nominated local sub-contractors?**

Yes.

- 2. Please advise how many contracts have been non-compliant?**

This information is publicly available in the Buy Local Advocate Annual Report.

- 3. What penalties were invoked?**

See answer to Question 2.

- 4. How many times has the independent board of oversight met?**

18 quarterly meetings.

- 5. How many checks have been undertaken and what did they find?**

See answer to Question 2.

- 6. What was the annual budget for the board in 2020/21 and 2021/22?**

- 2020/21: \$79,000
- 2021/22: \$81,000

- 7. What was the annual total expenditure for the board in 2020/21?**

\$64,061.36

- 8. You made a commitment to publish a list of the products and services that your Government has purchased from interstate, to be published annually as a 'future opportunities for Territory business' report. Where have these reports been published each year since 2016?**

Publication of contracts is at <https://tendersonline.nt.gov.au>.

Anticipated tenders to be released is at <https://nt.gov.au/industry/procurement/how-government-buys/tender-forecast>.

- 9. Please provide a copy of these reports?**

These are publicly available.