

2014 Estimates Committee

Response to Written Questions

Minister	The Hon David Tollner MLA
Portfolio	Corporate and Information Services
Agency	Department of Corporate and Information Services

Question Reference	WQ164-01
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

What are the actual savings from reducing costs of delivering government essential support services by applying technology solutions and economies of scale to improve processing efficiency?

Answer

Improving processing efficiency through economies of scale applying technology solutions and business process redesign is an ongoing objective for DCIS that is embedded across the agency. Distilling an amount across the range of processes, years and systems that is solely attributable to economies of scale and technology is not feasible. By way of an example to highlight some of the efficiencies gained, one key multi-year program of reforms to transactional accounts payable processes delivered an overall savings of 63 FTE.

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Question Reference	WQ164-02
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

What is the status of the whole of government contract for printing?

Answer

A panel contract with multiple printing suppliers is currently in place. A Request for Tender for a new Across Government Contract for printing services will be released by July 2014.

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Question Reference	WQ164-03
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

Are you selling the Government Printing Office space? If so, what is your expected value of sale and if not what government services are moving into that building?

Answer

The Government Printing Office building and land is being transferred to the Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment.

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Question Reference	WQ164-04
From	Mr McCarthy

Question What is the expected income from selling of all other GPO assets?
Answer Around \$500 000

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Question Reference	WQ164-05
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

What is the status of expanding mobile phone and broadband services in remote Territory communities?

Answer

The NTG has entered into a joint arrangement with Telstra to deliver broadband services to six remote communities and mobile services to eight remote communities. To date all broadband services and mobile services to five communities have been delivered. This project will be completed by August 2014. Telstra and the NTG have formed a working group to examine requests for services.

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Question Reference	WQ164-06
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

What communities have mobile phone coverage and what communities do not?

Answer

The following NT communities have mobile phone coverage.

Community		
Ali Curung	Kalkarindji	
Alyangula	Lajamanu	Wadeye
Amoonguna	Maningrida	Waruwi
Ampilatwatja	Mataranka	Wurrumiyanga
Angurugu	Milikapiti	Yirrkala
Arlparra	Milingimbi	Yuendumu
Barrow Creek	Mutitjulu	Yulara
Barunga	Newcastle Waters	
Batchelor	Ngukurr	
Beswick	Nturiya	
Borroloola	Numbulwar	
Daguragu	Palumpa	
Daly River	Papunya	
Elliot	Peppimenarti	
Galiwinku	Pine Creek	
Gapuwiyak	Pirlangimpi	
Gunbalanya	Ramingining	
Hermannsberg	Santa Teresa	
Jabiru	Timber Creek	

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Question Reference	WQ164-07
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

What communities have broadband coverage and what communities do not?

Answer

The following NT communities have broadband coverage.

Community	
Ampilatwatja	Minjilang
Artparra	Mutitjulu
Batchelor	Ngukurr
Beswick	Numbulwar
Borrooloola	Palumpa
Daly river	Papunya
Elliot	Peppimenarti
Galiwinku	Pine Creek
Gapuwiyak	Ramingining
Gunbalanya	Wadeye
Hermannsberg	Warruwi
Jabiru	Wurruyiyanga
Jilkminggan	Yirrkala
Maningrida	Yuendumu
Milingimbi	Yulara

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Question Reference	WQ164-08
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

Are there any plans to privatise or outsource any of the following services?

- a) Finance Services
- b) Human Resource Services
- c) Procurement Services
- d) Property Leasing Services
- e) Asset Services
- f) Data Centre Services

Answer

There are no plans to privatise or outsource the above services.

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Question Reference	WQ164-08
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

Please provide details of all grants provided by your Department to support Indigenous tourism initiatives following the transfer of Indigenous tourism support programs to the Department of Business, including the date of grant and the beneficiary, purpose and value of each grant.

Answer

This question should be directed to the Department of Business.

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Question Reference	WQ164-09
From	Mr McCarthy

Question

Please provide details of all grants provided by the Department of Business under the Indigenous Workforce Participation Program since 1 July 2013, including the date and value of each grant, the organisations receiving grants, and the number and location of participants benefiting from each grant.

Answer

This question should be directed to the Department of Business.