



# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

No. 78

## WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms Uibo to the Minister for Logistics and Infrastructure, Hon William Yan MLA:

### Department of Logistics and Infrastructure Administration

#### STAFFING

1. (a) Please advise the number of staff employed in the following categories as of 31 March 2025:

Category	FTE	Head Count (Actual)	NT-based	Located outside NT
Ongoing Full Time	616.32	628	628	0
Ongoing Part Time	24.25	33	33	0
Fixed Term Full Time	67.25	69	69	0
Fixed Term Part Time	3.76	5	5	0
Casual Contract	0.00	0	0	0
Executive Contract	35.75	36	36	0

- (b) Please provide, for each of the six categories above:  
the relevant position classifications and the number of staff  
employed against each classification.

Category	Classification	FTE	Head Count (Paid)	NT- based	Located outside NT
1. Ongoing Full Time	Administrative Officer 2	2.00	2	2	0
	Administrative Officer 3	27.64	28	28	0
	Administrative Officer 4	50.43	52	52	0

	Administrative Officer 5	41.08	42	42	0
	Administrative Officer 5 - RDO	15.75	16	16	0
	Administrative Officer 6	55.96	57	57	0
	Administrative Officer 7	53.90	55	55	0
	Administrative Officer 6 - RDO	1.00	1	1	0
	Executive Officer 2	5.00	5	5	0
	Physical 4 - RDO	0.50	1	1	0
	Physical 5 - RDO	0.50	1	1	0
	Physical 6 - RDO	1.00	1	1	0
	Professional 1	2.00	2	2	0
	Professional 2	5.90	6	6	0
	Professional 3	19.00	19	19	0
	Senior Administrative Officer 1	91.90	93	93	0
	Senior Administrative Officer 2	61.50	63	63	0
	Senior Professional Officer 1	16.90	17	17	0
	Senior Professional Officer 2	9.00	9	9	0
	Technical 1	2.00	2	2	0
	Technical 2	4.00	4	4	0
	Technical 3	4.82	5	5	0
	Technical 4	34.20	35	35	0
	Technical 5	65.84	67	67	0
	Technical 6	44.50	45	45	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>616.32</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>0</b>

Category	Classification	FTE	Head Count (Paid)	NT-based	Located outside NT
1. Ongoing Part Time	Administrative Officer 3	1.25	2	2	0
	Administrative Officer 4	1.72	2	2	0
	Administrative Officer 5	3.34	4	4	0
	Administrative Officer 6	4.37	5	5	0
	Administrative Officer 7	1.46	2	2	0
	Professional 2	1.62	2	2	0
	Professional 3	2.27	4	4	0
	Senior Administrative Officer 1	2.62	3	3	0
	Senior Administrative Officer 2	1.00	2	2	0
	Senior Professional Officer 1	0.80	1	1	0
	Senior Professional Officer 2	0.40	1	1	0
	Technical 3	0.75	1	1	0
	Technical 4	1.34	2	2	0
	Technical 5	1.31	2	2	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>24.25</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0</b>

Category	Classification	FTE	Head Count (Paid)	NT-based	Located outside NT
2. Fixed Term Full Time	Administrative Officer 3	20.65	21	21	0
	Administrative Officer 4	9.55	10	10	0
	Administrative Officer 5	1.80	2	2	0
	Administrative Officer 6	5.95	6	6	0
	Executive Officer 2	1.00	1	1	0
	Graduate Trainees	6.00	6	6	0

	NTPS Traineeship	1.00	1	1	0
	Professional 1	2.00	2	2	0
	Professional 2	2.00	2	2	0
	Senior Administrative Officer 1	3.00	3	3	0
	Senior Professional Officer 1	1.00	1	1	0
	Technical 1	4.00	4	4	0
	Technical 2	1.00	1	1	0
	Technical 3	3.30	4	4	0
	Technical 5	4.00	4	4	0
	Technical 6	1.00	1	1	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>67.25</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>0</b>

Category	Classification	FTE	Head Count (Paid)	NT-based	Located outside NT
2. Fixed Term Part Time	Administrative Officer 4	0.80	1	1	0
	Administrative Officer 5	0.66	1	1	0
	Administrative Officer 6	0.90	1	1	0
	Technical 2	0.60	1	1	0
	Technical 5	0.80	1	1	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>3.76</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>

Category	Classification	FTE	Head Count (Paid)	NT-based	Located outside NT
6. Executive Contract	Executive Contract Officer 1	9.75	10	10	0
	Executive Contract Officer 2	17.00	17	17	0

	Executive Contract Officer 3	1.00	1	1	0
	Executive Contract Officer 4	6.00	6	6	0
	Executive Contract Officer 5	1.00	1	1	0
	Executive Contract Officer 6	1.00	1	1	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>35.75</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>

- (c) **Where there is a difference between FTE and Headcount (Actual), please provide an explanation for the difference, including any reasons for the use of part-time and casual positions within the overall workforce profile.**

Department of Logistics and Infrastructure supports flexible work arrangements to balance the needs of family and work through the Department's culture and wellbeing program. Flexible work practices are used in the Northern Territory Public Service to attract and retain employees. Flexible work arrangements that include working from home, part time and variation to hours of work.

2. **Please advise the number of staff held against the following categories as of 31 March 2025:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number</b>
Resigned	51
Made Redundant	0
Terminated	2
Unattached	73
Classified Redeployee	0
Supernumerary	87

3. **Please advise the number of staff identifying as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander as of 31 March 2025.**

A whole-of-government response to Question 3 will be provided by the Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment.

4. **(a) Please advise the number of Frontline staff as FTE as of 31 March 2025 and as a percentage of the Agency's total employment.**

The Agency records staffing information in accordance with established internal classification frameworks.

To ensure accuracy and accountability, a review is underway to assess how these classifications were applied under the previous government.

This will provide a clearer picture of workforce decisions and their impact on staffing and resource management.

**(b) Please advise how the Agency determines which staff fall under the category of Frontline.**

See above.

- 5. Please advise how many staff have been engaged through labour hire, employment agency arrangements and/or consultancy contracts, for what purpose, for what duration and at what cost as of 31 March 2025. Please use the table format presented below for your response.**

Labour hire and employment agency arrangements nil – refer to note below for consultancy contracts.

Number of Operational Consultants engaged: 68<sup>1</sup>

Total Operational Consultant costs: \$7.7 million

<sup>1</sup> This figure represents the number of companies engaged on various projects. FTE data is not available

The department has contractors working on infrastructure related projects directly through capital works as well as operational consultancies including design, some of which stretch over 12 months. The number of contracting companies engaged is provided as at 31 March 2025. Capital works consultancies are not included as they form direct costs of construction. The list of purpose, duration and individual FTEs' working for construction and other contractors varies and would likely number in the thousands and hence, would be too onerous to provide. Further detail is provided under the consultants answer for written questions.

- 6. Please advise how many locums have been employed, for what purpose, duration, and at what cost as of 31 March 2025. Please use the table format presented below for your response.**

Not applicable.

- 7. (a) How many positions were advertised during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025?**

206 were advertised.

- (b) Of the total number advertised in 7(a), how many positions had Special Measures applied?**

206.

**(c) Please break down the levels of positions that had Special Measures applied.**

<b>7(c)</b>	
<b>Classification Level</b>	<b>Total Positions Advertised</b>
Administrative Officer 3	19
Administrative Officer 4	21
Administrative Officer 5	15
Administrative Officer 5 - RDO Officers, Administrative Officer Class 6 - RDO	3
Administrative Officer 5, Technical 4	1
Administrative Officer 6	24
Administrative Officer 6, Administrative Officer 7	1
Administrative Officer 6, Technical 5	6
Administrative Officer 7	12
Administrative Officer 7, Technical 6	5
Executive Contract Officer 1	2
Executive Contract Officer 2	3
Physical 4 - RDO	1
Professional 1, Professional 2	1
Professional 2	4
Professional 3	8
Professional 3, Senior Professional Officer 1	1
Senior Administrative Officer 1	21
Senior Administrative Officer 2	13
Senior Administrative Officer 2, Senior Professional Officer 2	1
Senior Professional Officer 1	2

Senior Professional Officer 1, Senior Professional Officer 2	1
Senior Professional Officer 2	1
Technical 3	2
Technical 3, Technical 4	3
Technical 4	8
Technical 5	22
Technical 5, Technical 6	2
Technical 6	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>206</b>

**(d) How many positions that had Special Measures applied were not able to be filled against these requirements during this period and required contract or backfilling arrangements?**

Most NT Government agencies have implemented special measures arrangements across the whole agency or for some roles. The process for positions that are advertised with special measures is to consider special measures applicants first; if no special measures applicants apply, or no special measures applicants are considered suitable, recruitment panels may assess all other applicants' suitability for the role.

**OUTSOURCING**

**8. (a) For the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025, detail any decision(s) to outsource, contract out or privatise functions that have traditionally been carried out by the Agency.**

For the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025, there were no decisions to outsource, contract out or privatise functions that have traditionally been carried out by the Agency.

**(b) Is consideration being given to outsource, contract-out or privatise in financial year 2025/26? If so, provide details.**

There is currently no consideration being given to outsource, contract-out or privatise in the financial year 2025-26.

## LEGAL EXPENSES

**9. What has been the expenditure on legal advice or related expenses for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025?**

**Provide details on:**

**a) The matter(s) (designate which are finalised and which are ongoing)**

The scope of these questions is too broad and encompasses a very large number of matters handled by private legal firms, government lawyers, including prosecutions and advice given by the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel. The administrative effort required to respond to the questions as they are currently posed is excessive and would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery. In addition, providing details in relation to some legal matters has the potential to prejudice the interests of the Territory and other parties.

**b) The amount paid by matter**

Please refer to response (a).

**c) The amount paid to each outside legal firm or barrister engaged**

The Department engaged 14 legal firms or barristers between 1 July 2024 and 31 March 2025. The total value of the services provided by these firms was \$1,260,473.00.

## PROCUREMENT / CONSULTANCIES

**10. From 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025, please detail expenditure on each report and consultancy (excluding annual reports) obtained from outside the NTPS. For each report/consultancy detail:**

**a) Purpose**

Information relating to department operational consultancies including purpose, cost and person or entity engaged is publicly available via [tendersonline.nt.gov.au](https://tendersonline.nt.gov.au)

**b) Cost**

Information relating to department operational consultancies including purpose, cost and person or entity engaged is publicly available via [tendersonline.nt.gov.au](https://tendersonline.nt.gov.au)

**c) Person or entity engaged**

Information relating to department operational consultancies including purpose, cost and person or entity engaged is publicly available via [tendersonline.nt.gov.au](https://tendersonline.nt.gov.au)

- 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)**

Please refer to the table below.

- e) **Whether a report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly as a result of the report or consultancy**

The amount of administrative effort required to respond to these questions would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.

- f) **Outcomes or key performance indicators for the report or consultancy**

The amount of administrative effort required to respond to these questions would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.

- g) **Whether tenders or expressions of interest were invited prior to work on the report or consultancy being undertaken**

The amount of administrative effort required to respond to these questions would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.

11. **Please advise the number of contracts awarded to business entities with a principal place of business in the NT and outside the NT for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025 as follows:**

Number in the NT	Number outside of the NT
256	10

12. **For each of the contracts awarded to business entities with a principal place of business outside of the Northern Territory, please advise the selection criteria on the applicable contract or tender.**

Contract	Business Entity	Address	Selection Criteria
T24-1454	CIVICA PTY LIMITED	VIC	20% Past Performance 30% Price 30% Local Content 10% Timeliness 10% Capacity
T23-1609	Procore	NSW	10% Past

	Technologies, Inc		Performance 20% Price 30% Local Content 10% Timeliness 15% Capacity 15% Supply Specific
NTG24-0221	Octief Pty Ltd	QLD	30% Price 30% Local Content 40% Capacity
T24-1733	IPP CONSULTING	NSW	20% Past Performance 30% Price 30% Local Content 10% Timeliness 10% Capacity
24-0459	NEXA GROUP PTY LTD	NSW	30% Price 30% Local Content 40% Supply Specific
T23-1947	Integrate Pty Ltd as Trustee for Integrate Trust	QLD	10% Past Performance 30% Price 30% Local Content 15% Timeliness 15% Capacity
24-0458	iWeigh Solutions Pty Ltd	QLD	40% Past Performance 30% Price 30% Local Content
T24-1607	The Trustee for Chester Family Trust	WA	30% Past Performance 10% Price 30% Local Content 15% Timeliness 15% Capacity
T24-1387	Lietzke Australia Pty Limited	SA	10% Past Performance 30% Price 30% Local Content 20% Timeliness 10% Capacity
T24-1304	Global Training Institute Pty Ltd	QLD	10% Past Performance 30% Price 30% Local Content 20% Timeliness 10% Capacity

- 13. For Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities, how many public tenders were advertised during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025?**

124 public tenders were advertised during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.

- 14. For Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities, how many contracts or tenders were awarded without undertaking a public tender process during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025?**

21 contracts were awarded without undertaking a public tender process during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.

- 15. For each instance identified in the question above, where a public quotation process was not undertaken, including for those with a Certificate of Exemption:**

- a) What is the description of the goods and services contracted?**

Descriptions of goods and services contracted by the department relating to procurement activities where a public tender process was not undertaken is publicly available at [tendersonline.nt.gov.au](http://tendersonline.nt.gov.au)

- b) What is the value of the goods and services contracted?**

Values of goods and services contracted by the department relating to procurement activities where a public tender process was not undertaken is publicly available at [tendersonline.nt.gov.au](http://tendersonline.nt.gov.au)

- c) What was the reason for not using the public tender process or for requiring a Certificate of Exemption?**

Refer table on following page.

- d) Who recommended the course of action in c) above?**

Panel chair.

- e) Who approved the course of action in c) above?**

Delegated officer in accordance with Procurement Delegations.

Of the 21 occasions where contracts were awarded without undertaking a public tender process during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025 the following Justification Reasons were applied:

<b>Select Justification Reason</b>
Table 6.2 Exemption - Limited suppliers due to technical requirements
Table 6.2 Exemption - Sole supplier due to patent, copyright or other exclusive rights
Table 6.2 Exemption - Sole supplier due to patent, copyright or other exclusive rights
Table 6.2 Exemption - engage Aboriginal Business Enterprises in support of the Aboriginal Procurement Policy.
Remote procurement Exemption 6.3.4E10.0.
Table 6.2 Exemption - Sole supplier due to patent, copyright or other exclusive rights
Table 6.2 Exemption - Limited suppliers due to technical requirements
Remote procurement Exemption 6.3.4E10.0.
Table 6.2 Exemption - Extreme urgency
Table 6.2 Exemption - Extreme urgency
Table 6.2 Exemption - Limited suppliers due to technical requirements
Table 6.2 Exemption - No tenders received in previous procurement
Table 6.2 Exemption - engage Aboriginal Business Enterprises in support of the Aboriginal Procurement Policy.
Table 6.2 Exemption - Limited suppliers due to technical requirements
Remote procurement Exemption 6.3.4E10.0
Remote procurement Exemption 6.3.4E10.0
Public Procurement Exemption, 6.3.4E10.H(II)
Table 6.2 Exemption - Sole supplier due to patent, copyright or other exclusive rights
Extreme urgency
No tenders received in previous procurement
Table 6.2 Exemption - engage Aboriginal Business Enterprises in support of the Aboriginal Procurement Policy.

**16. 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 purchasing goods and/or services as of 31 March 2025.**

The total number of NTG Corporate Credit Cards held within the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure as at 31 March 2025 is 30.

Following is a list of NTG Corporate Credit Card cardholders within the department including their position titles and levels as at 31 March 2025:

**DLI - Summary of NTG Corporate Credit Card Holders as at 31 March 2025**

<b>Position Levels</b>	<b>Designation</b>	<b>Total</b>
AO3	Administrative Officer 3	1
AO4	Administrative Officer 4	9
AO5	Administrative Officer 5	7
AO6	Administrative Officer 6	6
AO7	Administrative Officer 7	5
SAO1	Senior Administrative Officer 1	2
	<b>Total number of Corporate Credit Cardholders</b>	<b>30</b>

**DLI - Details of NTG Corporate Credit Card Holders as at 31 March 2025**

<b>Position Level</b>	<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Total</b>
AO3	Executive Admin Assistant	1
	<b>A03 Total</b>	<b>1</b>
AO4	Business Services Officer	2
AO4	Community Engagement Logistics Officer	1
AO4	Community Engagement Officer	1
AO4	Executive Administration Officer	1
AO4	Executive Assistant	1
AO4	Executive Information Coordinator	2
AO4	Purchasing and Supplies Officer	1
	<b>A04 Total</b>	<b>9</b>
AO5	Accounting Officer	1
AO5	Business Analyst Transport Safety and Services	1
AO5	Executive Information Coordinator	1
AO5	Project Support Officer	1
AO5	Senior Executive Assistant	3
	<b>A05 Total</b>	<b>7</b>
AO6	Business Manager	2
AO6	Civil Contracts Manager	1

AO6	Executive Officer	2
AO6	Office Manager	1
	<b>AO6 Total</b>	<b>6</b>
AO7	Business Manager Northern Region	1
AO7	Business Manager Southern Region	1
AO7	Contracts Officer Transport Safety and Services	1
AO7	Executive Officer	1
AO7	Senior Communications Officer	1
	<b>AO7 Total</b>	<b>5</b>
SAO1	Business Manager Civil Services	1
SAO1	Finance Manager	1
	<b>SAO1 Total</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Total number of Corporate Credit Cardholders</b>		<b>30</b>

### FOCUS GROUPS / POLLING / SURVEYS

For the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025:

17. Please detail expenditure on opinion polls and focus groups, including costs and entities that conducted the work.

No focus groups / polling or surveys occurred during this period.

18. Detail all surveys undertaken in relation to the focus groups and opinion polls above, including their form, the cost and the inducements that were provided to incentivise participation.

No focus groups / polling or surveys occurred during this period.

19. Please provide copies of each survey and the results of each survey.

No focus groups / polling or surveys occurred during this period.

### COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING

20. Please detail expenditure on advertising and communications during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.

Expenditure on advertising and communications during the period of time beginning 1 July 2024 and ending 31 March 2025 is broken down as per below:

Advertising	1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025
Magazines/Journals	\$7,249
Newspaper	\$71,206
Online/Cinema	\$65,235

Outdoor (Banners and Signage)	\$22,830
Radio	\$41,263
Television	\$22,087
<b>Total Advertising</b>	<b>\$229,869</b>

<b>Communications</b>	<b>1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025</b>
Consultants	\$49,520
Displays	\$40,590
Document Production	\$1,879
Events And Exhibitions	\$581
Marketing And Promotion - Other	\$1,215
Marketing Materials - Other	\$38,676
<b>Total Communications</b>	<b>\$132,462</b>

<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$362,331</b>
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**Northern Territory Government Works Program – Specific Project  
Costs\*:**

<b>Advertising and Communications</b>	<b>1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025</b>
Print Advertising, including Signage and Airport Billboard Advertising	\$400
Radio Advertising	\$5,834
Communication Consultants	\$894
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,128</b>

*\*Note – total does not include marketing and advertising costs reported under consultants.*

**For each advertisement for which an expense was incurred:**

- a) What was the purpose/description of the advertisement?**
- Project delivery notifications (print and online advertisements, flyers and brochures).
  - Procurement advice (tender release and award).
  - Public safety and targeted community campaigns such as the Motor Vehicle Registry (MVR) Cost of Living campaign, taxi ballot, motorcycle protective gear campaign, marine safety and abandoned vessels.
  - Community engagement.
  - Recruitment advertising.
- b) Who was the advertisement placed with, i.e., media outlet, newspaper, television station, digital platform, or other?**

The advertisements were placed with the following media outlets through the NT Government media booking agency Atomic 212.

<b>Print</b>	<b>Radio</b>	<b>Television</b>	<b>Digital/Other</b>
NT News	Mix 104.9 FM Radio Darwin	Channel 9 – Darwin	Seek
Sunday Territorian	Hot 100 (8HOT) Darwin	Channel 7 – Darwin	Facebook
Alice Springs Centralian Advocate	Territory FM Darwin/Tennant/ Katherine	Imparja Television Pty Ltd	YouTube

- c) What was the total production cost, including, but not limited to, design, commissions, and placement costs?**
- Total expenditure on advertising and communications during the period beginning 1 July 2024 and ending 31 March 2025 was \$369,459 inclusive of design, commission and placement costs.
- d) Were tenders or expressions of interest called? If not, why not?**
- Tenders or expressions of interest were not included as it is mandatory to use D17-0375 panel contract for advertising in the Northern Territory.
- e) Did the agency enter into any separate arrangements for advertising placements or advertorials? If so, please provide details of expenditures and media outlets.**

No.

## TRAVEL

21. 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 during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025 broken down to:

	Fares	Accommodation	Travel Allowance	Total Travel Costs to 31/03/2025
a) International	\$4,530	\$1,174	\$1,433	\$7,137
b) Interstate	\$43,205	\$24,186	\$12,643	\$80,034
c) Intrastate	\$673,661	\$280,459	\$231,374	\$1,185,494
<b>Total Travel</b>	<b>\$721,395</b>	<b>\$305,820</b>	<b>\$245,450</b>	<b>\$1,272,664</b>

22. In the case of international travel identified in response to the question above, please provide the purpose, itinerary, persons and costs involved in each trip.

Travel from date	Travel to date	Traveller	Destination	Reason for Travel	Total Travel Cost to 31/03/2025
16/11/2024	21/11/2024	Chandan Kalase	New Zealand	Overseas travel to attend the Executive Master of Public Administration final work project and Graduation Ceremony in Wellington, New Zealand.	\$5,055
22/03/2025	29/03/2025	Ryan Coppola	New Zealand	Overseas travel to attend the Executive Master of Public Administration - Delivering Public Value face-to-face sessions in Christchurch, New Zealand.	\$2,082

23. Please provide itemised details and costs of all travel undertaken by the Minister that was paid for by the Agency or authority, including travel on charters during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.

The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet will respond to this question.

## HOSPITALITY / FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS

24. Please provide full details of all official hospitality provided for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.

In relation to each occasion where official hospitality was provided:

a) What was the purpose of the hospitality?

Refer to Table 1.

b) How many guests attended?

Refer to Table 1.

c) How many Ministers attended?

Nil.

d) How many Ministerial staff attended?

Nil.

e) How many MLAs attended?

Nil.

f) How many Public Sector employees attended?

Refer to Table 1.

g) What was the total cost incurred?

Refer to Table 1 – The total expenditure on all official hospitality provided for the period 1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025 was \$19,348.

<b>(a) Purpose / Event</b>	<b>(b) Total Number of Attendees</b>	<b>(f) Number of Public Sector Employee Attendees</b>	<b>(g) Total Cost</b>
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Gallery Meeting	10	4	\$306
Austrroads Board Meetings and Dinner	18	5	\$2,047
Adelaide River Off-stream Water Storage Community Reference Group Meeting	20	6	\$464
Community Engagement Catering	Various	Various	\$2,436
Housing Reference Group Community Consultation Meetings	Various	Various	\$474
Infrastructure and Transport Senior Official Committee (ITSOC) Delegates Dinner	32	6	\$4,915

<b>Table 1</b>			
<b>(a) Purpose / Event</b>	<b>(b) Total Number of Attendees</b>	<b>(f) Number of Public Sector Employee Attendees</b>	<b>(g) Total Cost</b>
Infrastructure and Transport Senior Official Committee (ITSOC) Meeting	30	4	\$2,182
MVR Industry Meetings Catering	Various	Various	\$182
Refreshments for Executive Leadership Team Meetings	Various	Various	\$1,505
Refreshments for Staff Recognition Events	Various	Various	\$725
Refreshments for Training and Other In-House Events	Various	Various	\$3,129
Territory Transport Safety Collaboration Event	Various	Various	\$983
<b>Total Hospitality Provided</b>			<b>\$19,348</b>

## **GRANTS, SPONSORSHIPS, DONATIONS AND INCENTIVES**

**25. Please detail expenditure on grants, sponsorships, donations and incentives paid by your Agency (including the recipient of each payment) during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025, including agency budget totals to administer such programs.**

The total expenditure on grants, subsidies and sponsorships paid by the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure during the period beginning 1 July 2024 and ending 31 March 2025 was \$52,992,205.

Nil donations were paid by the department during the period beginning 1 July 2024 and ending 31 March 2025.

Nil incentives were paid by the department during the period beginning 1 July 2024 and ending 31 March 2025.

There is no specific unit to administer such programs.

<b>Program</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
<b>Asset Management - Transport Assets</b>		<b>\$43,182</b>
Melville Bay Community Boat Ramp Facility	Nhulunbuy Regional Sports fishing Club Inc	\$43,182
<b>Remote Passenger Transport Program</b>		<b>\$3,412,226</b>
Bus Trial - Regional Alice Springs	Centre Bush Bus	\$819,501

Bus Trial - Regional Alice Springs	Manta Bus Pty Ltd	\$342,460
Bus Trial - Bagala	Bagala Aboriginal Corporation	\$95,745
Bus Trial - Peninsula Bus Service	Neal Aboriginal Corporation	\$150,000
Bus Trial - Wadeye	West Daly Regional Council	\$70,725
Bus Trial - Tennant Creek Greyhound Connect	Kainona Josua Turagaiviu	\$22,500
Bus Trial - Tiwi Island Bus Service	Katherine Coaches Pty Ltd	\$247,874
Bus Trial - Melville Island Bus Service	Katherine Coaches Pty Ltd	\$102,219
Bus Trial - Katherine	Katherine Coaches Pty Ltd	\$712,000
Bus Trial - Katherine	Kalano Community Association Inc	\$589,202
Services Funding Agreement for Wurrumiyanga Barge Facility	Murin Travel & Freight Services	\$260,000
<b>Urban Buses</b>		<b>\$60,000</b>
Salvation Army Prison Visitor Transport	The Salvation Army	\$60,000
<b>Commercial Passenger Vehicle</b>		<b>14,360</b>
Multiple Purpose Taxi Grant	Navinder Singh Johal	\$14,360
<b>Building Services - Project Delivery</b>		<b>\$1,110,000</b>
Cullen Bay Rockwall	Cullen Bay Marina Management Corporation	\$390,000
Alice Springs Town Council Playground and Skate Park	Alice Springs Town Council	\$720,000
<b>Building Services - Infr Project Delivery Management</b>		<b>\$900,000</b>
Borroloola Cyclone Shelter	Roper Gulf Regional Council	\$900,000
<b>Blackspot</b>		<b>\$285,000</b>
Black Spot Program	City of Darwin	\$285,000
<b>Strategy, Policy &amp; Legislation</b>		<b>\$152,000</b>
Australasian Railway Corporation	Australasia Railway Corporation	\$152,000
<b>Road Safety &amp; Compliance</b>		<b>\$60,155</b>
Street Smart High	Automobile Association of NT	\$60,155
<b>Enabling Infrastructure</b>		<b>\$45,789,489</b>
Develop Tourism Marine Infrastructure Arnhem Land	Developing East Arnhem Limited	\$250,000
Yulara Water Supply	Power Water Corporation	\$1,539,489
Manton Dam Return to Service – Australian Government Funded	Power Water Corporation	\$44,000,000
<b>TOTAL GRANTS</b>		<b>\$51,826,412</b>

Program	Recipient	Amount
<b>Subsidies</b>		
<b>DriveSafe</b>		<b>\$356,555</b>
Driving School	1st Attempt Driving School	\$10,367
Driving School	A1 Territory Driving School	\$1,600
Driving School	ABC Driving School Darwin	\$537
Driving School	Accelerate Driving School Alice Springs	\$18,200
Driving School	Achieve Driving Academy NT	\$4,173
Driving School	ACME Driving School Alice Springs	\$3,300
Driving School	Ali Dbouk	\$6,950
Driving School	Angela's Driver Training	\$17,783
Driving School	Arafura Driving School	\$8,390
Driving School	Central Australian Driving School	\$1,555
Driving School	Connies Driving School	\$3,300
Driving School	Drive Blue Pty Ltd	\$16,939
Driving School	Elite Driving School	\$1,511
Driving School	Focus Driving School	\$22,500
Driving School	Ian Van Munster	\$26,900

Driving School	iDrive Learner Training	\$3,574
Driving School	Lams Driving School	\$9,579
Driving School	Logic Transport Training	\$50,388
Driving School	Manila Smart Driving School	\$8,950
Driving School	Milestone Driving School	\$2,807
Driving School	MRM Driving School	\$11,190
Driving School	Om Driving School Darwin	\$522
Driving School	One2one Driving School	\$9,671
Driving School	Palmerston Driving School	\$12,695
Driving School	Rav Driving School	\$1,450
Driving School	Satnam Singh Darian	\$650
Driving School	Thomas Shilling	\$885
Driving School	Top Gear (Aust) Pty Ltd	\$14,511
Driving School	Good2go Driving School	\$12,659
Driving School	1212 Driving School	\$2,300
Driving School	Pace Driver Training NT	\$1,050
Driving School	Darwin Driving School	\$3,050
Driving School	Licence Fees for Individuals (too onerous to itemise)	\$66,619
<b>Aviation, Logistics &amp; Industry Development</b>		<b>\$737,217</b>
Air Services for the Northern Territory's Regional Centres of Katherine and Tennant Creek	Airnorth	\$737,217
<b>TOTAL SUBSIDIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE OBLIGATION</b>		<b>\$1,093,772</b>

<b>Purpose:</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>SPONSORSHIPS</b>		<b>\$72,021</b>
NT Information Session	Civil Contractors Federation	\$636
2024 NT Annual Christmas Luncheon	Civil Contractors Federation	\$1,000
2024 Housing and Kitchen and Bathroom Awards	Housing Industry Association	\$4,200
2024 NT Community Achievement Awards – Towards Zero Road Safety	Awards Australia Pty Ltd	\$13,895
Territory Engineering Day	The Institution of Engineers Australia	\$5,000
Towards Zero Corporate Partner 2024-25	Australian Football League	\$45,000
Towards Zero Road Safety 2024-25	Australian Football League	\$2,290
<b>TOTAL SPONSORSHIPS</b>		<b>\$72,021</b>
<b>TOTAL GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND SPONSORSHIPS</b>		<b>\$52,992,205</b>

**26. Please detail the funds utilised to distribute awards and sponsorships in the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025, and to what activities. Please list details of any contract periods as part of any arrangement.**

The funds utilised to distribute sponsorships by the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure for the period beginning 1 July 2024 and ending 31 March 2025 was \$69,731.

The following is a list of sponsorships that the department paid during 1 July 2024 – 31 March 2025:

Purpose:	Recipient	Contract Details	Amount
<b>SPONSORSHIPS</b>			<b>\$69,731</b>
NT Information Session	Civil Contractors Federation	One off	\$636
2024 NT Annual Christmas Luncheon	Civil Contractors Federation	One off	\$1,000
2024 Housing and Kitchen and Bathroom Awards	Housing Industry Association	One off	\$4,200
2024 NT Community Achievement Awards – Towards Zero Road Safety	Awards Australia Pty Ltd	One off	\$13,895
2025 Territory Engineering Day Regional Forum	The Institution of Engineers Australia	One off	\$5,000
Towards Zero Corporate Partner 2024-25	Australian Football League	6 December 2024 to 5 December 2025	\$45,000
<b>TOTAL SPONSORSHIPS</b>			<b>\$69,731</b>

**27. Indicate which awards and sponsorships were managed by Regional Offices. What is anticipated for the 2025/26 financial year?**

There were no sponsorships managed by Regional Offices.

Sponsorships are assessed on their own merits as requests come into the department.

**28. Please detail the amounts paid on grants, donations and incentives to non-Government organisations for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025, including to which organisation and the services to be provided?**

Between 1 July 2024 and 31 March 2025, the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure paid a total of \$994,947 in grants to non-government organisations (NGOs).

NGO's were determined by using the Australian Government website for Australian Charities and Not-For-Profit Commission.

Grants to Non-Government Organisations for the period 1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025

Program	Recipient	NGO	Amount
<b>Grants</b>			
<b>Remote Passenger Transport Program</b>			<b>\$684,947</b>
Bus Trial - Bagala	Bagala Aboriginal Corporation	NGO	\$95,745
Bus Trial - Katherine	Kalano Community Association Inc	NGO	\$589,202
<b>Urban Buses</b>			<b>\$60,000</b>

Salvation Army Prison Visitor Transport	The Salvation Army	NGO	\$60,000
<b>Enabling Infrastructure</b>			<b>\$250,000</b>
Develop Tourism Marine Infrastructure Arnhem Land	Developing East Arnhem Limited	NGO	\$250,000
<b>TOTAL GRANTS</b>			<b>\$994,947</b>

## MEDIA MONITORING SERVICES

29. Provide expenditure details on media monitoring services for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025 (including entities engaged and who utilises the service).

CMC providing a whole of government response.

## INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

30. How many projects have been submitted or are in the process of being submitted to Infrastructure Australia or Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF) to be considered for the Infrastructure Priority List?

There are currently five Northern Territory Government infrastructure projects listed on the Infrastructure Australia Infrastructure Priority List, with an additional three business cases under development.

	NT Project	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Investment Ready
1	Darwin region water supply infrastructure upgrades (AROWS)				✓
2	Northern Territory freight, rail and logistics capacity improvements (Regional Logistics Hubs)	✓	Under development		
3	Common user infrastructure at the Middle Arm Precinct		✓	Under development	
4	Enabling infrastructure for developing the Beetaloo Sub-Basin	✓			
5	Northern Territory remote community power generation program	✓			

Due to amendments to the *Infrastructure Australia Act 2008* (Cth) the Infrastructure Priority List is being reformed to create a new, more targeted list, aligned to the Australian Government's investment priorities. In the coming months, these changes will result in projects 4 and 5 above being removed.

## **NAIF Investment**

The Darwin Ship Lift project has received a \$300 million North Australia Infrastructure Facility concessional loan.

**31. Please provide details of newly committed projects for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.**

Below is a list of newly committed Capital Works projects that have been raised during the reporting period. Note some of the projects listed below do form part of projects as listed in BP4. However, as they have been raised as a sub-component of a total budget allocation, they have been included:

Program Division Name	Project Number	Project Description	Program Type Code	Project Total Provision
Logistics and Infrastructure (60)	IFD06532	Cyclone Shelter (AG) Maningrida and Milingimbi	FW	\$9,765,299
Logistics and Infrastructure (60)	IFG00720	Nhulunbuy Cyclone Shelter	CW	\$15,200,000
Logistics and Infrastructure (60)	IFA01590	Alice Springs Infrastructure Priorities	CW	\$46,760,000
Education and Training (35)	TED32400	Special Education Centre for Middle and Senior Students	CW	\$1,000,000
Health (70)	HHD07980	Bees Creek NCCTRC - Construct Warehouse and Road Upgrade	FW	\$3,150,000
Department of Correction	CZD05420 CZA03710 CZD05370 <b>Total Program</b>	Correctional infrastructure capacity upgrades	CW	\$77,600,000 \$33,300,000 \$6,500,000 <b>\$117,400,000</b>
National Highways	FROAD07701 FROAD07760	Major Project Business Case Fund	FW	\$1,000,000

<b>Program Division Name</b>	<b>Project Number</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Program Type Code</b>	<b>Project Total Provision</b>
Territory Roads	BSD01050	Blackspot Program for road safety projects at targeted locations on Territory and local - Chung Wah Terrace - Widen Carriageway Between Temple Terrace and Forrest Parade	FW	\$550,000
Territory Roads	R2A00680, R2A00690, R2A00700, R2A00660, R2A00670, R2D01010, R2K00990, R2K00880, R2K00860, R2K00870, R2T00910, R2T00920, R2T00890, R2T00900	Roads to Recovery Program on targeted local roads	FW	\$20,980,000
Territory Roads	RBK03391 RBK03392	Buntine Hwy - Upgrade 5 Heavy Vehicle Rest Areas (Ag)	FW	\$5,000,000
Territory Roads	RFA06821, RFA06822, RFD14701, RFD14702, RFT02951, RFT02952	Remote Community Access Roads Upgrades	CW/FW	\$3,000,000

<b>Program Division Name</b>	<b>Project Number</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Program Type Code</b>	<b>Project Total Provision</b>
Territory Roads	RFK06211, RFK06212	Regional Level Crossing Upgrade	CW/FW	\$1,600,000
Territory Roads	RFK06220, RFK06230	Local roads and Community Infrastructure	FW	\$1,600,000
				<b>\$227,005,299</b>

The below table highlights programs that the Housing and Land Servicing division is delivering on behalf of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development.

The programs listed below are published in Budget Paper 4: Infrastructure Program. All of the programs are either rolling or ongoing programs that continue to deliver on housing and land servicing works identified or delivered in prior years. All new capital works remote funding will add to existing revoted funds to support ongoing delivery.

<b>Program Name (page 26 BP4)</b>	<b>Program Description</b>	<b>New works funding</b>
<b>New works funding in 2025-26</b>		
10-year remote housing agreement 2024-2035		
New HomeBuild	Northern Territory and Commonwealth joint funding as part of the \$4 billion investment in the construction of new homes in remote communities	\$205,629,000
Land Servicing	Northern Territory funding delivering sub-division and infrastructure works to support the delivery of new housing in remote locations	\$28,612,000
Remote housing investment package (RHIP)		
Government employee housing (GEH)	Additional funding to continue the delivery of GEH in year nine of the RHIP program	\$24,664,000

Program Name (page 26 BP4)	Program Description	New works funding
Room to Breathe	Funding to provide improvements and upgrades to remote indigenous housing as part of the RHIP program	\$25,336,000
Urban Public Housing		
Rolling program to refresh the Territory's public housing stock	New funding to increase the number of public housing assets in Northern Territory urban areas	\$5,000,000
<b>Total New Works in 2025-26</b>		<b>\$289,241,000</b>

**32. Please provide details of contracts awarded to interstate firms, the purpose of the contract, the cost, and why a territory firm was not chosen.**

One contract was awarded to an interstate firm, the details of this contract are commercial in confidence. Exemption 6.2 was applied. Sole supplier due to patent, copyright or other exclusive rights.

**GOVERNMENT LEASED BUILDINGS**

**33. What is the total annual power bill of each Government building owned/leased/used by each Department for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025?**

The total annual power bill for the period 1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025 is as per the table below.

<b>Power for Government Buildings</b>	<b>Total</b>
Bus Interchanges	70,883
Energy House, Darwin	64,243
Export Drive East Arm	49,197
Government Centre, Jabiru	18,092
Chardon Street Depot, Katherine	521
Government Centre, Tennant Creek	15,555
Greenwell Building, Alice Springs	24,074
Heavy Vehicle Inspection Facility Wishart	10,480
Highway House, Darwin	72,722
John Flynn Drive, Nhulunbuy	19,744
Kalkarindji Emergency Accommodation Pods	87,207
Motor Vehicle Registries	60,694
Weighbridges	6,512
Wurrumiyanga – Freight Shed	49,273
Power - Other <sup>1</sup>	20,480
<b>Total Power</b>	<b>569,677</b>

<sup>1</sup> Other includes the Road Safety Centres, Visitor Officer Quarters, Ferry Terminals and storage warehouse.

**34. What is the total annual leased space of each Government building used by each Agency/authority and at what cost for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025?**

A whole-of-government response to Question 34 will be provided by the Department of Corporate and Digital Development.

**35. How much Government owned or leased premises or office space is currently under-utilised (at less than 100 per cent occupied) or vacant?**

A whole-of-government response to Question 35 will be provided by the Department of Corporate and Digital Development.

**FEES AND CHARGES**

**36. Please detail the statutory or legislative fees and charges levied by your Agency/authority, the revenue raised in the 2024/25 financial year and whether any of these fees and charges were increased following the 2024 election.**

Fees and charges levied by the agency and on behalf of the Central Holding Authority can be found in Table 1 and 2 below.

**Table 1: Agency fees and charges revenue:**

<b>Fees and charges - Agency goods and services revenue</b>	<b>As at 31 March 2025 \$'000</b>	<b>Description</b>
Goods and services income	10 949	Includes revenue from Motor Vehicle Registry administrative charges, advertising on public bus networks and Regional Harbour Master cost recovery.
Other	24	Other minor miscellaneous revenue across categories.
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 973</b>	

**Table 2: Central Holding Authority fees and charges revenue:**

<b>Revenue collected on behalf of the Central Holding Authority</b>	<b>As at 31 March 2025 \$'000</b>	<b>Description</b>
Taxation revenue	51 974	Motor vehicle registration fees for heavy and light vehicles and revenue received for passenger service levy for ride share.

Fees from regulatory services	4 474	Fees from regulatory services include Motor Vehicle Registry fees for driver licences, taxi licences, registration concession, rideshare vehicle licence fees and number plate fees. In addition, it includes marine fees collected in relation to certificate and examination fees. Note - fees from regulatory services are administered through the Revenue Unit allocation system and subject to change with the revenue unit.
Land rent	912	Land rent including road reserve rent and other land occupation rents.
Fines	18	Fines and court recoveries.
<b>Total</b>	<b>57 378</b>	

Any increases to fees and charges in 2024-25 were due to an increase in revenue unit change from \$1.35 in 2023-24, to \$1.41 in 2024-25 effective 1 July 2024, prior to the election.

#### **INTERNAL AUDITS**

**37. How many internal audits and financial investigations were conducted in the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025?**

One internal audit (Value for Territory Assurance Program Audit No. 9) was completed during this period. A further audit (Transit Officer Oleoresin Capsicum Spray) commenced during this period and is currently being finalized.

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

<b>Internal audit/investigation</b>	<b>Objective</b>
Value for Territory Assurance Program Audit No. 9 – 1 January to 31 December 2024	To evaluate the design and operating effectiveness of the internal controls established by the department to manage compliance with the NTG Procurement Rules and the Value for Territory Assurance Program.
Transit Officer Oleoresin Capsicum Spray	To evaluate the effectiveness of policies and processes for use of oleoresin capsicum spray.

39. 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.

Internal audit/investigation	Fraud, anomalies, breaches of financial legislation or NTG policy and procedures
Value for Territory Assurance Program Audit No. 9 – 1 January to 31 December 2024	Minor non-compliances of NTG Procurement Rules and departmental policies and procedures.
Transit Officer Oleoresin Capsicum Spray	This audit is currently being finalised and findings are yet to be concluded.

40. How many agencies have been referred to existing bodies, e.g. Auditor-General/Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), and how?

Agencies would not be privy to details of referrals made to Independent Statutory Officers.

41. How many have been resolved? Please detail the agency referred to, the date of referral and the date resolved, including those with multiple referrals.

Agencies would not be privy to details of referrals made to Independent Statutory Officers.

#### BOARDS / ADVISORY BODIES

42. Please detail all boards and advisory bodies in your Agency in 2024/25, also providing the following information:

#### AUSTRALASIA RAILWAY CORPORATION

- (a) The Terms of Reference have not changed since the election.

- (b) Refer below table.

Member	Chairperson / Member	Date First Appointed
Mr Alastair Shields	Chairperson	02/09/2014
Mr Timothy Materne	Member	25/11/2019
Mr Michael Wilde	Member	28/07/2016
Mr Andrew Kirkman	Member	14/10/2015
Mr Samuel Burke	Member	Ex-officio

## **DARWIN REGION WATER SUPPLY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP**

### **(a) The Terms of Reference have not changed since the election.**

#### Terms of Reference

##### 1. Background

In February 2022, the Northern Territory (NT) Government released the Adelaide River Off-stream Water Storage (AROWS) Detailed Business Case (DBC) key findings. The DBC provides conclusive evidence of investment viability in new water supply infrastructure, specifically the Darwin Region Water Supply Program (the Program).

The Program includes the following projects:

1. Returning Manton Dam to Service by mid-2026 to address our immediate water security needs; and
2. Delivering the Adelaide River Off-stream Water Storage (AROWS) project within the next ten years to provide water security for the long term.

Through its National Water Grid Fund, the Australian Government announced \$300.6 million to fund stage 1 of the Program, which includes returning Manton Dam to service and pre-construction activities for AROWS. With the DBC now complete, the focus is on progressing project development activities. Next steps include concept design, environmental assessment and community and stakeholder engagement.

The NT Government have been working closely with the Power and Water Corporation (PWC) on a range of de-risking activities for the Program.

##### 2. Purpose

A Community Reference Group (CRG) is being established to:

- provide a forum for representatives of the community to discuss issues of community interest related to the Infrastructure Program;
- provide a mechanism to communicate community feedback to the NT Government; and
- build community understanding of the project and communicate project development progress to the wider community.

### 3. Scope

The CRG is not a decision making or regulatory body.

In the conduct of the duties of the CRG, members will:

- receive and may provide comment on reports related to the project;
- provide a forum for consultation as the need arises; and
- discuss matters raised and disseminate information about the project to the wider community and stakeholder groups.

### 4. Membership

The CRG will be chaired by an independent person appointed by government, who is held in high regard in civic life, has expertise in taking the community interests into account and has experience in the position of Chair.

The CRG will comprise members who represent the local community directly impacted by the project, as well as key stakeholders. Members will bring a diversity of skills and stakeholder views from the community, environmental groups, local business, land councils and local government.

The name and credentials of members will be published on an appropriate NT Government website.

Membership of the CRG is voluntary.

Representatives from the NT Government and project team will be present at CRG meetings to provide an immediately accessible source of expert advice.

The NT Government will provide the secretariat function for the CRG.

### 5. Conflict of interest

On acceptance of membership, if a member believes they may have a conflict of interest in relation to the Infrastructure Program, a particular issue or item of discussion, they must declare it with the Chairperson to ensure the conflict can be and is managed.

### 6. Terms of appointment

Members of the CRG will be appointed by Ministerial appointment for a two-year term.

Members who do not attend two consecutive meetings may have their membership reviewed by the Chairperson.

Proxies are not permitted unless notification is provided and accepted by the Chair.

Additional CRG members can be appointed at any time by the Minister.

Members of the CRG who are undertaking their duties in their professional capacity are not be remunerated. Where members are undertaking CRG duties separate to their nominal professions, they may be eligible for remuneration at a Class C3 rate as per the Statutory Bodies Classification Structure Determination.<sup>1</sup>

## 7. Role of Chairperson

The Chairperson is to:

- prepare for meetings, including meeting with the NT Government to establish the agenda and items for discussion prior to CRG meetings;
- advise members of their roles and responsibilities as members of the CRG;
- formulate and settle the meeting dates and agenda in consultation with all members;
- convene and run meetings in a fair and independent manner;
- conduct meetings to foster effective consideration of issues referred to or raised by the CRG;
- facilitate discussion to ensure all members have an opportunity to speak and share their views;
- identify any items of a confidential nature and assist members to understand how this information may or may not be used;
- support constructive dialogue;
- recognise and acknowledge differences of opinion in a fair, transparent and supportive manner;
- provide an accurate summary of matters and clearly identify the actions to be taken before the next meeting, who is responsible and by when; and
- represent the CRG in appropriate times outside of meeting hours.

Given the additional responsibility of the Chairperson's role for CRG, the Chairperson is entitled to be remunerated at a Class C3 rate as per the Statutory Bodies Classification Structure Determination.<sup>2</sup>

## 8. Operating arrangements

At the inaugural meeting, the CRG is to:

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<sup>1</sup> [https://dcm.nt.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0007/252187/determination-2012.pdf](https://dcm.nt.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/252187/determination-2012.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> [https://dcm.nt.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0007/252187/determination-2012.pdf](https://dcm.nt.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/252187/determination-2012.pdf)

1. confirm the Terms of Reference;
2. propose a schedule of meetings for the first 12 months to maximise attendance by members, maximum of four meetings per calendar year. Additional meetings may be scheduled dependent on project development and community interest; and
3. identify the point at which meetings will be set for the subsequent 12 months.

The Chairperson may invite a non-member to attend meetings such as:

- representatives of regulatory bodies, including but not limited to the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure (DLI), the Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations (DTBAR), the Department of Lands, Planning and Environment (DLPE), and the Power and Water Corporation;
- technical experts or consultants; and/or
- members of the general public.

The Chairperson is to consult with the other members before issuing an invitation.

Requests from the public for items to be included on the meeting agenda may be directed to individual members or to the Chairperson.

The Chairperson will facilitate crafting of a public communique during each meeting of the CRG.

All statements to media must be cleared by the NT Government.

#### 9. Reporting arrangements

With the support of the Secretariat, the CRG may wish to issue a public communique. This communique will be published on an appropriate NT Government website, along with meeting agendas and minutes.

#### 10. Period of review

The structure of the CRG and its Terms of Reference are to be reviewed every 12 months. Notwithstanding this, these may be reviewed more often if and when needs arise. Reviews are to be conducted in consultation with the appropriate Minister/s.

If the Chairperson has concerns about the effectiveness of the CRG, they may refer the matter to the Minister.

**(b) Refer Below Table**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Date First Appointed</b>
Mr Darryl Day	Chairperson	12/10/2022
Ms Ruth Palmer	Member	12/10/2022
Ms Kezia Purick	Member	12/10/2022
Mr Stephen Hoyne	Member	12/10/2022
Mr Greg Ireland	Member	12/10/2022
Mr Dheran Young MLA	Member	12/10/2022
Mr David Ciaravolo	Member	12/10/2022
Mr Gary Higgins	Member	12/10/2022
Mr Greg Troughton	Member	20/05/2024
Mr Graham Kenyon*	Member	29/03/2023
Ms Sharon Hillen*	Member	22/02/2023
Ms Karen May**	Member	12/10/2022
Mr Andrew Mackay MLA	Member	11/10/2024

*\*Membership subject to renewal*

*\*\*Ms Karen May declined renewal from 27 November 2024*

**NT LOGISTICS ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**(a) The Terms of Reference have not changed since the election.**

Terms of Reference

**Context**

To rebuild the Territory economy, it is imperative to implement robust and strategic logistics. Supply chains must enable each agribusiness, mining, oil, gas or digital development to access inputs and have products meet the market in a way that underpins cost and time competitiveness.

Optimal logistics and supply chains can influence both viability and sustainability of projects and businesses. They can also support downstream value adding, increase employment and value retained in the NT and can have an environmental and social impact.

The rate of change in the global market, the strong economic growth targeted in the NT and the NT's emerging base of infrastructure, vast distances and

sparse populations intensify the need for optimal infrastructure investment and supply chain management.

The essential nature of efficient logistics and supply chains to achieving the NT's broader objectives means optimal solutions will be required. A coalition between industry, business and government will be key to this.

### **Objectives**

The key role of this coalition between industry, business and government will be to act as an advisory body to the Northern Territory Government on logistics issues including infrastructure, land use planning, supply chain positioning, regulation and safety improvements.

The Council will combine strategic vision for the growth and development of the NT economy and industry and associated optimal supply chains with the effective, solutions and evidence based actions required to achieve such outcomes.

### **Actions**

The Council's actions will be completed within the first 12 months, or within an agreed timeframe from the Council. As the Council develops, it will identify future actions required to support industry and economic growth. New actions will be proposed to the Council and following endorsement from the co-chairs.

The council will initially be responsible for (but not limited to):

- **Investigation of a potential Northern Territory Freight Equalisation Scheme:** The Federal Government has provided over \$1 billion since 1976 to the Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme, which provides financial assistance for costs incurred by shippers of eligible non-bulk goods moved by sea across the Bass Strait. The objective of the scheme is to provide Tasmanian industries with equal opportunities to compete in other markets, recognising that unlike their mainland counterparts, Tasmanian shippers do not have the option of transporting goods interstate by road or rail. Whilst the Northern Territory does have road and rail access, the remoteness and distances to regional and urban centres and remote communities could support the development of an equalisation scheme for the NT.
- **Supply Chain Mapping:** A database consolidating freight forecasts of existing and future industry and developments will be developed. These freight movements will be mapped against sectors, precincts and regions of the NT to provide enhanced visibility of supply chain components and constraints. Such mapping will de risk decision making for supply chain infrastructure investments and provide greater certainty to industry.
- **Establish a working group of the Council:** On 1 May 2024, the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure (then DIPL) held the Darwin

Gateway Industry Session. An action taken from the session committed to DLI exploring the potential creation of a working group to report to the Council of strategic logistics matters that proponent commonly experience.

### **Membership**

Membership of the council will be drawn from a broad mix of NT industry, business and government with experience and knowledge of supply chain considerations, including: Department of Logistics and Infrastructure;

- Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations;
- Australian Logistics Council;
- Minerals Council Northern Territory;
- NT Cattleman's Association;
- NT Extractive Industry Association;
- NT Farmers Association;
- NT Road Transport Association;
- NT Seafood Council;
- NT Chamber of Commerce;
- Darwin Port;
- Airport Development Group NT;
- AustralAsia Railway Corporation;
- Aurizon; and
- Freight Forwarder Representative

### **Governance and Reporting**

- The Co-Chairs will also be appointed by invitation of the Minister and will ensure the Council focuses on strategic NT logistics issues.
- Any changes to the membership or proposed new members, to be approved by the Minister.
- Secretariat for the Council will be provided by Freight and Logistics, Department of Logistics and Infrastructure.
- Meetings will be held quarterly, with the Council to meet at least 3 times a year.

- Time limited working groups may be established for specific issues if the council agrees it is necessary to do so. Working groups will report back to the council as required, including out of session.
- Consultants may be commissioned by the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure, and/or industry partners, to undertake detailed technical assessment reports and provide specialist advice.
- If members are unavailable, a proxy must be approved by one or both co-chairs.
- The council will provide an annual update to Cabinet for noting.
- Review of Council performance, membership and outcomes will be reviewed 12 months after the re-establishment.

**(b) Refer below table**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Date First Appointed</b>
Dr Hermione Parsons	Chairperson	03/10/2022
Ms Louise McCormick	Chairperson	03/10/2022
Ms Louise Bilato	Member	03/10/2022
Ms Giovina D'Alessandro	Member	01/12/2023
Ms Cathryn Tilmouth	Member	03/10/2022
Mr Tim Burrow	Member	03/10/2022
Mr Sam Burke	Member	03/10/2022
Mr Rohan Badenhop	Member	27/06/2023
Mr Peter Dummett	Member	03/10/2022
Mr Matthew Jones	Member	27/06/2023
Mr Greg Troughton	Member	09/12/2024
Mr Daniel Capps	Member	17/12/2024
Mr Tristan Cribb	Member	10/12/2024
Ms Hayley Richards	Member	16/12/2024

*\*There are two additional industry representative positions to be filled*

**43. The number of times the Board met during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.**

The number of times the Boards met during the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025:

<b>BOARD / COMMITTEE</b>	<b>No. of Meetings</b>
Australasia Railway Corporation	3
Darwin Region Water Supply Infrastructure Program Community Reference Group	1
NT Logistics Advisory Council	2

**REVIEWS AND INQUIRIES**

**44. Details of all reviews and inquiries completed or commenced since 24 August 2024, also providing the following information:**

Public Accounts Committee - Inquiry into NT Government Road Works in the Alice Springs CBD

**a) The Terms of Reference**

Terms of Reference for this inquiry:

- Procurement processes for the work;
- Scope and costings of the work;
- Decision-making, management and supervision of the work;
- Deterioration of the newly re-sealed roads; and any other related matters.

**b) The criteria for selection of all panel members**

Panel members are Parliamentary appointments. The Committee's Terms of Reference can be viewed at Public Accounts Committee – Northern Territory Government – Legislative Assembly.

**c) The composition, qualifications and state or Territory of residence of the persons undertaking the review/inquiry**

Persons undertaking the review are Parliamentary appointments. Question to be referred to the Committee.

**d) The cost of the review/inquiry**

Not applicable to the Department.

**e) How the information was/is accumulated to contribute to the review/inquiry**

Refer question to the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee.

- f) **If completed, when, the outcome and whether the report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly**

Refer question to the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee.

- g) **If not completed when this is expected**

As the contracts pertaining to these project works are still live, the Committee has resolved to put this inquiry on hold until such time as contracts are finalised (anticipated to be June 2026).

### Fast Track Taskforce – Department of Logistics and Infrastructure proposed reforms

- a) **The Terms of Reference**

Subcommittee B2: Building on existing analysis and initiatives  
Background

- The Taskforce is dedicated to enhancing efficiency, reducing unnecessary administrative burdens and red tape, and ensuring timely decision-making to drive economic growth for the Northern Territory. Through a taskforce subcommittee a comprehensive review of red tape across government departments is required, with a particular focus on external consultancy reports from the past three years. The objective is to identify efficiencies, streamline processes, and enhance governance practices where recommendations have not been implemented for a variety of reasons including budget, government priorities and internal change management issues.

#### Purpose

- The Taskforce Subcommittee is established to identify and leverage existing analysis and reform efforts around fast-tracking approvals, including:
  - a) Examination of past consultancy reports.
  - b) Engage with key stakeholders, including regulators, departmental staff, external consultants, and industry representatives, to gather insights into past and present consultancy reports.
  - c) Review the summaries and recommendations provided within these reports.
  - d) Assess what has been identified and what has been actioned by departments.
  - e) Identify inefficiencies, duplications, or barriers within existing processes.
  - f) Provide recommendations to streamline processes and reduce administrative burdens (red tape) without compromising accountability or outcomes.

## Output

1. Advice and actionable recommendations to reduce red tape.
2. Advice and recommendations on how to streamline and prioritise the implementation of recommendations from previous consultancy reports.

b) **The criteria for selection of all panel members**

Panel members are a mixture of private sector representatives from the Fast Track Task Force and representatives from the Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations, Department of Mining and Energy, Department of Logistics and Infrastructure, Department of Lands, Planning and Environment.

c) **The composition, qualifications and state or Territory of residence of the persons undertaking the review/inquiry**

Taskforce members were selected by the Government. Department representatives were nominated by relevant CEO's.

d) **The cost of the review/inquiry**

Not applicable to the Department.

e) **How the information was/is accumulated to contribute to the review/inquiry**

The Department of Logistics and Infrastructure undertook a review process of previous reports and consultancies, before broadening lens applied to proposed reforms to extend it across current priorities with linkage to reducing unnecessary administrative burden and red tape.

f) **If completed, when, the outcome and whether the report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly**

Department reforms were supplied in April 2025, with a final report being administered by Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet slated to be finalised for Government consideration in late May 2025.

g) **If not completed when this is expected**

Not applicable to the Department.

## Regulation Review Process

DLI provided input to a recent Department of Legislative Assembly Regulation Review Process. Providing processes DLI have in place to ensure regulations DLI are responsible for remain fit for purpose.

## WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY

**45. Please provide the number, nature and cost of reportable safety issues for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.**

For the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025, there were:

- No notifiable incidents reported to NT WorkSafe under section 35 of the *Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011*.
- 28 total incidents reported that led to or could have led to a physical or psychological injury, illness or disease, or where property and / or equipment was damaged.

**46. Please detail the number of stress-related matters and claims for the period 24 August 2024 to 31 March 2025.**

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## REGIONAL OFFICES

**47. Please detail expenditure on staff located in regional offices across the Territory. Include the number of staff, their functions and outcomes achieved since 24 August 2024. What are the locations for which they are responsible?**

As at 31 March 2025, the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure regional staffing was:

<b>Region</b>	<b>Paid Staff</b>	<b>Expenditure to 31 March 2025 \$'000</b>
Barkly	13	1,335
Big Rivers	39	3,453
Central Australia	58	4,643
East Arnhem	16	1,409
<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>10,841</b>