



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE NO. 2

**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012**  
**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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Sport and Recreation

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Answers to be lodged by: 21 November 2011

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## Questions relating to the portfolio of Sport and Recreation

26 October 2011, 4.45 pm – 5.30 pm

### Questions from the Hon Robert Borsak MLC

1. The previous government recognised that shooting clubs needed funding assistance on Firearms Registry Compliance issues, and allocated \$600,000 per year to the Safe Shooting grants program. How much has the Government allocated in this Budget for the Safe Shooting program?
2. Given that the previous government decided in 2004 to redevelop the Hilltop rifle range into the Hilltop Regional Shooting Complex, and at last year's estimates we were told shooting would be taking place by March 2011 – that is seven months ago – what is the current position with the range and when will the five rifle/pistol/shotgun/air ranges be ready?
  - a. Will there be an investigation into how more than \$6 million can be spent on the Hilltop Regional Shooting Complex and the project not completed as expected?
3. Is Sport and Recreation involved in negotiations to build new ranges in and around the Sydney Basin to compensate for the closure of the Anzac Range, and what areas are under consideration at the moment, given that the need for new ranges is urgent?
4. How many shooters are receiving coaching and training at our Regional Sports Academies?
5. What sports are eligible for funding grants, and specifically, what funding is available through Sport and Recreation for recreational fishing, particularly junior fishers to encourage kids to get outdoors?
6. Why there was a huge blow out in grants and subsidies in Sport and Recreation services last year (at page 3-21 of the Budget Paper No 3)?
  - a. Where did the extra funds go, and why is the allocation for this year less than the initial figure budgeted for last financial year?
7. The Government is committed to spending \$133 million on a range of sport and recreation programs this year, including grants to peak sporting bodies and managing government owned or controlled sporting and recreational facilities. Is this an increase on last year's funding?
8. What sport and recreation and community facilities will be developed under the funding allocation this year of \$14 million?
9. One of the achievements of last year was to support international sporting events like the Shooting World Cup. What support was provided for this event?

### Questions from the Hon Amanda Fazio MLC

10. Phones
  - a. How many blackberries does DPC assign to your Ministerial staff and to whom have they been issued?
  - b. How many iPads does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
  - c. How many iPads have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued?
  - d. How many iPhones does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
  - e. How many iPhones have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued?
  - f. For each phone or device, how much was each bill from April to October?
  - g. How many have phones or devices have been lost in your office?

- h. What is the cost of replacing those phones or devices?
11. Media and Public Relations
- a. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?
  - b. What is the forecast for 2011-12 for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?
  - c. How many media or public relations advisers are employed in your ministerial office?
12. Overseas Trips
- a. Have any of your overseas trips in the past year been paid for in part or in full by using public money?
  - b. If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?
13. Office Costs
- a. What is the annual remuneration package for your chief of staff?
  - b. What is the annual remuneration package for your head media advisor?
  - c. What is the annual remuneration package for each of your staff?
  - d. What is the estimated expenditure for your office budget in 2011-12?
  - e. Have any office renovations or fit outs been undertaken in your ministerial office since April?
  - f. If so, could you give details of contracted costs?
  - g. What is your office budget?
  - h. How many political advisors are in your office?
  - i. How many administration staff?
  - j. How many Department Liaison officers are assigned to your office?
  - k. How many staff in the Department are assigned to Ministerial support duties?
14. Cabcharge
- a. In terms of your ministerial office, how much did your office spend on taxi fares, including Cabcharge since April?
15. Restructure
- a. Are any of your portfolio agencies undergoing a restructure?
  - b. How many jobs are expected to be cut as a result of that restructure?
  - c. How many people are expected to have their wages cut as a result of that restructure?
  - d. How many voluntary redundancies are expected to be offered as a result of that restructure?
16. Agency Costs
- a. What is your agency's catering budget?
  - b. Since April, has the agency changed its branding?
  - c. How much was spent on rebranding the agency?
  - d. How much has been spent on stationary?
17. Correspondence
- a. How long is the average turnaround for responding to correspondence in your agency?
  - b. How many pieces of correspondence have been outstanding for more than 60 days?
18. Paying bills on time
- a. Since April, on how many occasions has the agency not paid a supplier or contractor for more than 30 days?
  - b. How many bills have been outstanding for longer than that period?
19. Grants to non-government organisations
- a. Does your department provide recurrent grant funds to non-government organisations?
  - b. If yes,
    - i. What are the names of all organisations in receipt of funding?

- ii. What is the total amount of funding received by each organisation, including goods and services tax?
- iii. On what date was the funding advanced?
- iv. What was the purpose for each grant or funding advance?
- v. Was any funding withheld or returned?
- vii. If so, what were the reasons for withholding or requiring the funding to be returned?
- viii. What is the indexation rate applied to non recurrent grant funds in 2011/2012?

20. Feasibility studies, audits, taskforces or reviews

- a. Is your department currently undertaking any feasibility studies, audits, taskforces or reviews,
- b. If so;
  - i. What are the terms of reference or details of each study, audit, taskforce or review?
  - ii. Who is conducting the study, audit, taskforce or review?
  - iii. Was each study, audit, taskforce or review was publically advertised seeking expression of interest or competitive tenders?
  - iv. Is there a contract in place detailing terms of engagement for the study, audit, taskforce or review?
  - v. What is the timeline of each study, audit, taskforce or review?
  - vi. What are the details of any costs involved in each study, audit, taskforce or review?

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**There were no additional questions on notice lodged by members relating to the portfolio of Sport and Recreation.**