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Referred By: Australian Labor Party

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Proposal Title: Increase funding to local libraries

Cluster: Planning and Environment

General Government Sector Impacts

	2018-19 \$'000	2019-20 \$'000	2020-21 \$'000	2021-22 \$'000	4 year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)	-	9,970	9,310	8,628	27,908
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-
Less: Offsets	-	-	-	-	-
Revenue	-	-	-	-	-
Net Operating Balance:	-	(9,970)	(9,310)	(8,628)	(27,908)

Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Offsets	-	-	-	-	-
Net Capital Expenditure:	-	-	-	-	-

Net Lending/(Borrowing):	-	(9,970)	(9,310)	(8,628)	(27,908)
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Total State Sector Impacts

Net Lending/(Borrowing):	-	(9,970)	(9,310)	(8,628)	(27,908)
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Notes and costing assumptions

The policy proposes an increase in per capita funding rates to local libraries to \$3.70 from 1 July 2019. The cost of the proposal over the forward estimates is approximately \$27.9 million.

The costing makes the following assumptions:

- The following forecast per capita funding rates, based on the 24 August 2018 government announcement that it would increase funding to libraries (the current per capita amount included in the 2018-19 Budget is \$1.85). The costing assumes these new rates as the baseline for each year over the forward estimates:
 - 2019-20: \$2.45m
 - 2020-21: \$2.55m
 - 2021-22: \$2.65m
 - 2022-23: \$2.85m.
- Annual population growth of 1.5% from the population of 7,858,147 used for library funding purposes in 2018-19. Note that 1.5% per annum population growth differs slightly from the population growth rates published in 2018-19 Budget Paper No. 1 p3-1 (1.5% in 2019-20, 1.4% in 2020-21 and 1.4% and 2020-21).