

**PAEC 2020-21 Financial and Performance Outcomes Hearing -
Response to Questions Taken on Notice**

Question 1: On page 27 of the questionnaire there is a note of an increased expenditure on consultants for the 2020–21 budget compared to 2019–20. Describe the outcomes of this spending and how this expertise has benefited Parliamentary Services.

Response 1:

Below is the list of consultants engaged in 2020-21.

Consultants	2020-21 Expense	Description of the Service
PEOPLE AND PERFORMANCE CONSULTING PTY LTD	11,340	Review of the Serjeant-at-Arms Office
QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECH	8,825	Analysis of social media activity as part of research to support Electoral Matters Committee inquiry into social media
BAKAMO LIMITED	20,000	Analysis of social media activity as part of research to support Electoral Matters Committee inquiry into social media
ALEXANDRA DOUGLAS CONSULTING PTY LTD	23,300	Advice to the Legislative Council Economy and Infrastructure Committee's Inquiry into the Increase in Victoria's Road Toll
SYNTHETISM PTY. LTD.	14,500	Deputy Clerk Remuneration Review
DEAKIN UNIVERSITY	31,500	Research Project - Transitioning to Life after Parliament
Total	109,465	

Question 2: Was the advice sought from Mr Chris Horan, QC, in regard to remote or hybrid parliamentary sittings and in regard to remote voting, provided to government?

Response 2:

The Clerk of the Legislative Council emailed the memorandum of advice from Mr Chris Horan QC, dated 11 September 2020, to all Legislative Council members on 14 September 2020.

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly forwarded the advice to the Speaker and representatives of the Government and Opposition on 14 September 2020.