WOMEN

1. Please advise the number of incidents of bullying, including the incidences of gender-based bullying, during 2015-16 that have been reported to the Department of Premier and Cabinet, including all the units and ministerial offices within the Department of Premier and Cabinet, to the Committee.

Response:

Information on the number of complaints, the application of public sector values, employment principles, codes of conduct and standards can be found in the Victorian Public Sector Commission's Annual Report.

2. Please provide a list and cost of the programs run out of the Office for Women over 2015-16 and 2016-17 that were not associated with Family Violence or LGBTI equality issues to the Committee.

Response:

DPC provided \$0.422 million in 2015-16 for Women's Leadership activities and \$0.342 million in 2015-16 for the Queen Victoria Women's Centre.

The 2016-17 Budget provides an additional \$9 million over two years to advance women's equality.

3. Why was the output 'Women and equality policy and programs' changed to 'Women, the prevention of family violence and LGBTI equality and policy and programs' in the 2016-17 budget papers?

Response:

The name change to this output reflects an increase in the government's focus on the prevention of family violence and LGBTI equality, in addition to its existing strong focus on women's equality.