

Questions taken on notice and further information agreed to be supplied at the hearings

Portfolio:	Parliament of Victoria
Witness:	Peter Lochert
Committee member:	Mr D O'BRIEN
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Mr LOCHERT: There is no reference in the budget papers. The arrangements with the former member for Melton were that he fully repaid the amount that he had undertaken to repay before he left Parliament.

Mr RIORDAN: Right. So there is no outstanding—

Mr LOCHERT: There are no outstanding amounts in there, no.

Mr D O'BRIEN: Can you confirm how much that was?

Mr LOCHERT: Not off the top of my head, but I can give it—

Mr D O'BRIEN: On notice?

Mr LOCHERT: Yes.

Ms NOONAN: Take it on notice.

Mr D O'BRIEN: That would be great if you could take it on notice.

Mr LOCHERT: We will take it on notice. Yes, absolutely.

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Answer:

The arrangements with the former member for Melton were that he fully repaid the amount that he had undertaken to repay before he left Parliament.

The former member for Melton made a total repayment of \$98,254.

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Ms VALLENCE: Just back to those relocations and refurb, if I could have that on notice.

Mr BROOKS: We will provide those figures, yes.

Answer:

There are 37 electorate office (EO) projects on the program for the 2019/2020 financial year, based on requests by Members as well as those initiated by DPS. Of these, 23 projects are for EO relocation and refurbishment, while 14 are for EO refurbishment only.

Currently, DPS has capacity to deliver 12 EO projects, based on current resourcing and projects delivered in previous years. However, DPS is reviewing its resourcing capability to deliver on the program of works.

DPS estimates that the cost to refurbish an EO is \$200,000. This figure is likely to be the same for when an EO is relocated and refurbished, due to the incentives offered by landlords in securing a new tenant.