

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

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Question:

Mr D O'BRIEN: Was there a hardware cost? Presumably not everyone in the public service had a dedicated laptop they could take home.

Mr McNAMARA: We operate primarily off laptops and surface devices. That was supplemented where necessary, but I do not think it was any additional cost.

Mr D O'BRIEN: Okay. Could I perhaps ask you to take on notice whether there was an additional cost across the public service to enable people to work from home.

Mr McNAMARA: I will take that on notice.

Answer:

No additional costs were incurred by DPC for laptops to enable staff to work from home. All DPC staff were already working from portable devices (laptop or Surface Pro) that they could use at home prior to the work from home order.

DPC is not aware of costs incurred by other departments to support remote work.