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² Appointed 15 April 2015

³ DLP until 26 June 2017;
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⁴ Resigned 27 May 2016

⁵ Appointed 7 June 2017

⁶ Resigned 9 February 2018

⁷ Resigned 6 April 2017

⁸ Resigned 25 February 2015

⁹ Appointed 12 October 2016

¹⁰ ASP until 16 January 2018;
RV until 14 August 2018

¹¹ Appointed 18 October 2017

¹² Appointed 21 February 2018

PARTY ABBREVIATIONS

AC — Australian Conservatives; ALP — Labor Party; ASP — Australian Sex Party; DLP — Democratic Labour Party;
FPRP — Fiona Patten's Reason Party; Greens — Australian Greens; Ind — Independent; LP — Liberal Party;
Nats — The Nationals; RV — Reason Victoria; SFFP — Shooters, Fishers and Farmers Party; VILJ — Vote 1 Local Jobs

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Answers to the following questions on notice were circulated on the date shown.

Questions have been incorporated from the notice paper of the Legislative Council.

Answers have been incorporated in the form supplied by the departments on behalf of the appropriate ministers.

Headings reflect the portfolio of the minister answering the question.

Tuesday, 21 August 2018

Health

10 183. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the use of Code Brown, the State Health Emergency Response Plan (SHERP) states that when hospitals and health services respond to an external emergency, they will activate their Code Brown Plan —

- (1) how many hospitals activated their Code Brown Plan on 21 November 2016;
- (2) how many hospitals did not activate their Code Brown Plan on 21 November 2016;
- (3) for those hospitals that did not activate a Code Brown Plan what explanation has been offered to the Department, explaining why the Code was not called;
- (4) does every hospital have a Code Brown Plan as required by SHERP; and
- (5) when was the Department last assured of each hospital's compliance with SHERP.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The events of 21 November 2016, including the use of Code Brown plans by hospitals, have been the subject of extensive inquiry by the Inspector-General for Emergency Management. This final review can be accessed at <https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/environmental-health/climate-weather-and-public-health/thunderstorm-asthma/response>.

[Question 10 183, parts (1), (2) and (3), reinstated by order of President on 8 May 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 27 March 2018, page 1422.]

Health

10 605. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) the 2016-17 Budget Papers show that the Government spent \$215 million on public health programs in 2015-16, \$20.8 million below the allocated \$235.8 million —

- (1) which public health programs were affected, delayed, scaled back or terminated as a result of the \$20.8 million underspend;
- (2) how much money was spent in 2015-16 on programs within the "Healthy Together Victoria" initiative; and
- (3) how much funding has been allocated in the forward estimates for each of those programs.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

No public health programs were impacted. The budget for the genomic testing initiative was transferred to another output within the Public Health output group, and there was a carryover resulting from the timing of funding from the Commonwealth for essential vaccines and screening programs. These programs were delivered.

You will be aware that the Federal Liberal Government axed the National Partnership Agreement on Preventive Health, slashing \$90 million from the Healthy Together Victoria program. Despite these cruel cuts, the Andrews Labor Government maintained our commitment to health prevention.

Health

11 220. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the Office of Medicinal Cannabis —

- (1) what is the total full time equivalent (FTE) allocation at the Office of Medicinal Cannabis;
- (2) how many FTE at the Office of Medicinal Cannabis are new positions;
- (3) how many FTE are existing positions transferred from other parts of Department of Health and Human Services and other Departments;
- (4) do these numbers include contractors and consultants;
- (5) how many contractors and consultants does the Office of Medicinal Cannabis employ; and
- (6) what is the establishment and operational cost, including governance, of the Office of Medicinal Cannabis in 2016-17 and 2017-18.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

As of 30 June 2018, there are 8 FTE positions in the Office of Medicinal Cannabis, none of which is transferred and nor are they contractors and consultants. The establishment and operational cost, including governance, of the Office of Medicinal Cannabis was \$3.0M in 2016-17 and is forecast to be \$5.1M in 2017-18. Consultants have been engaged from within the Office's budget as and when required.

[Question 11 220 reinstated by order of President on 8 May 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 1 May 2018, page 1598.]

Health

11 228. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): The Health Services Violence Prevention Fund was funded in May 2015 and 2 years on, approximately 15 per cent of the fund has been spent, according to 2016-17 Budget Paper No. 4 (page 51) \$10 million was to have been spent by now — why has only \$2.9 million been delivered to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

\$17 million has been expended with \$3 million due to be allocated this year as stated in the 2018-19 Budget Paper 4.

Health

11 489. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): How many full time equivalent ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2017.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

No ministerial staff are employed by myself but rather employed by the Premier.

I refer you to his answer to Question on Notice 11565.

Please note that numbers regarding departmental staff on secondment are not held by my office or the Premier's office but their own relevant agency.

Health

11 512. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): How many female ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2017.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

No ministerial staff are employed by myself but rather employed by the Premier.

I refer you to his answer to Question on Notice 11498.

Please note that numbers regarding departmental staff on secondment are not held by my office or the Premier's office but their own relevant agency.

Health

11 534. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): How many full time equivalent ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2016.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

No ministerial staff are employed by myself but rather employed by the Premier.

I refer you to his answer to Question on Notice 11521.

Please note that numbers regarding departmental staff on secondment are not held by my office or the Premier's office but their own relevant agency.

Health

11 556. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): How many female ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2016.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

No ministerial staff are employed by myself but rather employed by the Premier.

I refer you to his answer to Question on Notice 11543.

Please note that numbers regarding departmental staff on secondment are not held by my office or the Premier's office but their own relevant agency.

Health

11 578. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): How many new employees commenced work within your ministerial office (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) between 1 July 2015 and 1 July 2016.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

I can advise that no ministerial staff are employed by myself but rather employed by the Premier.

I refer you to his answer to Question on Notice 11565.

Please note that numbers regarding departmental staff on secondment are not held by my office or the Premier's office but their own relevant agency

Emergency services

11 784. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 2 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 2 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to cooking fumes/burnt food. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[Question 11 784 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 970.]

Emergency services

11 785. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 12 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 12 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF to provide assistance to other government agencies. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[Question 11 785 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 970.]

Emergency services

11 786. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 14 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 14 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF to respond to a false alarm/malfunctioning alarm. CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJF totalling \$1924.65. The invoice number for this attendance is 1068286.

[*Question 11 786 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 971.*]

Emergency services

11 787. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 15 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms

- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 15 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF, however, there is no report on the reason for the attendance. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[*Question 11 787 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 972.*]

Emergency services

11 788. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 17 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 17 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF to respond to a false alarm/malfunctioning alarm. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[*Question 11 788 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 972.*]

Emergency services

11 789. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 18 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 18 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF to respond to the presence of smoke. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[*Question 11 789 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 973.*]

Emergency services

11 790. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 22 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 22 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF to respond to the accidental operation of an alarm. CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJF totalling \$769.86. The invoice number for this attendance is 106381.

[Question 11 790 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 974.]

Emergency services

11 791. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 24 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 24 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF to respond to the activation of a smoke detector (no smoke or fire found to be present). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJF totalling \$769. The invoice number for this attendance is 106379.

[*Question 11 791 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 974.*]

Emergency services

11 792. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 25 January 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms

- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA.

A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 25 January 2017, CFA attended MYJF to respond to a Triple Zero call. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[Question 11 792 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 975.]

Emergency services

11 793. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 5 February 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can

charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA.

A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 5 February 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to the activation of an alarm (smoke in cells). CFA applied is discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1924.65. The invoice number for this attendance is 1068685.

[*Question 11 793 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 976.*]

Emergency services

11 794. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 6 February 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 6 February 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to the presence of smoke (smoking in cells). CFA applied a discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$2309.58. The invoice number for this attendance is 1068685.

[*Question 11 794 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 976.*]

Emergency services

11 795. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 11 February 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisations and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 11 February 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to the activation of an alarm (smoking in cell and intentional destruction of alarm system). CFA applied a discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1068682.

[*Question 11 795 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 977.*]

Emergency services

11 796. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 17 February 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 17 February 2017, CFA attended MYJF due the activation of an alarm (workmen or occupier activities). CFA applied is discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1068683.

[Question 11 796 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 978.]

Emergency services

11 797. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 24 February 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 24 February 2017, CFA attended MYJF due the activation of an alarm (Sprinkler intentionally kicked off ceiling). CFA applied is discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1068681.

[*Question 11 797 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 978.*]

Emergency services

11 798. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 11 March 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms

- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 11 March 2017, CFA attended MYJF due the activation of an alarm (smoking in cells). CFA applied a discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069407.

[Question 11 798 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 979.]

Emergency services

11 799. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 16 March 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 16 March 2017, CFA attended MYJF due the activation of an alarm (smoking in cells). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$2309.52. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069401.

[Question 11 799 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 980.]

Emergency services

11 800. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 18 March 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 18 March 2017, CFA attended MYJF due the activation of a smoke detector despite no fire or smoke present (pressure washer required replacing). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$769.86. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069402.

[Question 11 800 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 980.]

Emergency services

11 801. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 21 March 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 21 March 2017, CFA attended MYJF due the activation of an alarm (smoking in cells). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069403.

[*Question 11 801 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 981.*]

Emergency services

11 802. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 22 March 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 22 March 2017, CFA attended MYJF due the activation of a smoke detector alarm (intentional destruction of the alarm system). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1924.65. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069404.

[*Question 11 802 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 982.*]

Emergency services

11 803. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 26 March 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms

- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 26 March 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to a malfunctioning smoke detector. CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1924.65. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069405.

[*Question 11 803 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 982.*]

Emergency services

11 804. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 27 March 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 27 March 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to the activation of a smoke detector (smoking in cell). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$769.86. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069406.

[Question 11 804 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 983.]

Emergency services

11 805. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 8 April 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 8 April 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to cooking fumes/burnt food. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[Question 11 805 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 984.]

Emergency services

11 806. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 13 April 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 13 April 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to the activation of an alarm (workmen activities). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1154.79. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069882.

[*Question 11 806 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 984.*]

Emergency services

11 807. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 14 April 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 14 April 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to the activation of an alarm (workmen Activities or occupier activities). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$3464.37. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069878.

[*Question 11 807 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 985.*]

Emergency services

11 808. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 15 April 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms

- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 15 April 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to the activation of an alarm (smoking in cell). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1069879.

[*Question 11 808 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 986.*]

Emergency services

11 809. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 1 May 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 1 May 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to cooking fumes/burnt food. CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1070396.

[Question 11 809 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 986.]

Emergency services

11 810. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 6 May 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 6 May 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to the activation of a smoke detector (intentional destruction of alarm system). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJR for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1070393.

[Question 11 810 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 987.]

Emergency services

11 811. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 11 May 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 11 May 2017, the local CFA brigade were on standby to attend the MYJF. CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJF for The call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1070394.

[Question 11 811 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 988.]

Emergency services

11 812. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 14 May 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 14 May 2017, CFA attended the MYJF to provide assistance to other government agencies. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[*Question 11 812 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 988.*]

Emergency services

11 813. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 16 May 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 16 May 2017, CFA attended the MYJF due to the activation of an alarm (smoking in cell). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out totalling \$2309.58. The invoice number for this attendance is 1070395.

[Question 11 813 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 989.]

Emergency services

11 814. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 24 May 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crazier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow

volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 24 May 2017, CFA attended the MYJF due to the activation of an alarm (smoking in cell). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out totalling \$1539.72. The invoice number for this attendance is 1070392.

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Emergency services

11 815. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 31 May 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier's QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA's policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 31 May 2017, CFA attended the MYJF due to the activation of an alarm (smoking in cell). CFA applied its discretionary 30 per cent discount, with the cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out totalling \$769.86. The invoice number for this attendance is 1070398.

[*Question 11 815 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 990.*]

Emergency services

11 816. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 3 June 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

CFA’s policy *Fees and Charges — Discount Exemptions where Volunteer Involvement* provides the discretion to apply a 30% discount to businesses, organisation and municipalities not owned by active volunteers, but that allow volunteers to respond to emergency incidents or provide other support to CFA. A 30% discount was applied by CFA to all invoices issued for callouts to MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

On 3 June 2017, CFA attended MYJF in response to the activation of an alarm (workmen activities). There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[*Question 11 816 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 991.*]

Emergency services

11 817. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): In relation to the Country Fire Authority (CFA) callout at the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility on 6 June 2017 and the 30 per cent discount on the total fee on invoices the CFA can apply when a callout location employs CFA volunteers —

- (1) what was the reason for the callout;
- (2) what was the associated cost for the callout;
- (3) what was the tax invoice number for the callout; and
- (4) was the 30 per cent discount applied to this particular invoice.

ANSWER:

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Question on Notice (QoN) PM/17/251 asked by Ms Crozier provides reasons for the callouts to the Malmsbury Youth Justice Facility (MYJF) by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) between 2 January and 6 June 2016. In general, callouts to MYJF during this period were due to —

- Fire
- False alarms or malfunctioning alarms.
- Cooking fumes/burnt food
- Assisting police or government agencies.

The response tabled in the Legislative Council on 10 August 2017 to Ms Crozier’s QoN PM/17/253 provides an explanation of the associated cost of callouts to the MYJF between 2 January and 6 June 2017.

The CFA only charged the MYJF for false alarm callouts and did not charge for any other attendance between 2 January and 6 June 2017. Regulation 101 (1) of the *Country Fire Authority Regulations 2014* states that CFA can charge for attending callouts to system generated false alarms where it is not satisfied there is a reasonable excuse for the false alarm.

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On 6 June 2017, CFA attended MYJF due to cooking fumes/burnt food. There was no cost incurred by MYJF for the call-out.

[*Question 11 817 reinstated by order of President on 27 March 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 6 March 2018, page 992.*]

Sport

11 831. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Sport): In relation to the Eltham North Reserve —

- (1) when will the \$2 million grant be funded; and
- (2) will the Government contribute additional funding of \$625 000 to complete the project and if so, when will those funds be forthcoming.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

I refer to your question regarding Eltham North Reserve in the Shire of Nillumbik.

Providing high quality sport and recreation infrastructure is a key aim of the government, and is integral to the health and well-being of all Victorians. In April I announced a government commitment of \$241 million for community sport, including \$60 million for the continuation of the Community Sports Infrastructure Fund and another \$15 million for the Female Friendly Facilities Fund.

- 1) A funding agreement for this project was signed in August 2017.
- 2) State government, in keeping with a 2014 election commitment, has allocated \$2 000 000 to this project. No further state government funds are required to deliver this project.

The Andrews Labor Government has invested \$3.5 million to support community sport in the Shire of Nillumbik.

Health

12 293. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to ambulance call out data, what is the number of Victorian ambulance call outs for illicit drug overdoses each month during the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 in —

- (1) the City of Port Phillip;
- (2) the City of Wyndham;
- (3) the City of Yarra;
- (4) the Greater Melbourne region; and
- (5) the state of Victoria.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of ambulance callouts for illicit drug-related attendances during the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 was:

- (1) in the City of Port Phillip, 527;
- (2) in the City of Wyndham, 217;
- (3) in the City of Yarra, 803;
- (4) in the Greater Melbourne region, 9145; and
- (5) in the state of Victoria, 11 097.

Health

12 521. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the 16 promised Behavioural Assessment Rooms in Victorian hospitals —

- (1) what criteria were used to determine which hospitals should have a Behavioural Assessment Room;
- (2) why were the Austin Hospital, Casey Hospital, Northern Hospital, Warrnambool Base Hospital and Geelong's University Hospital chosen as the first five sites for Behavioural Assessment Rooms; and
- (3) which hospitals will have the further 11 committed Behavioural Assessment Rooms.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The department's Guidelines for behavioural assessment rooms in emergency departments were used as the criteria to determine which hospitals were funded for behavioural assessment rooms.

The first five sites had previously submitted applications for funding to the Health Service Violence Prevention Fund for behavioural assessment rooms.

Eleven health services received funding for proposals to establish or modify behavioural assessment rooms across the following 16 sites: Albury Hospital, Wodonga Hospital the Alfred Hospital, Sandringham Hospital, Bairnsdale Hospital, Wonthaggi Hospital, Bendigo Hospital, Central Gippsland Health Service, Maroondah Hospital, Angliss Hospital, Werribee Mercy Hospital, Northeast Health Wangaratta, Frankston Hospital, Rosebud Hospital, Footscray Hospital and Sunshine Hospital. Further planning is underway to ensure that the proposed works are in accordance with the guidelines.

Ambulance services

12 525. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Ambulance Services): In relation to the Emergency Medical Response (EMR) program—

- (1) how many events have been attended by the Country Fire Authority (CFA) firefighters first since the commencement of the EMR program; and
- (2) according to media reports, 28 CFA brigades are delivering EMR, can the Minister advise which CFA brigades are participating.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

There are currently 30 Country Fire Authority locations delivering EMR: Berwick, Edithvale, Pakenham, Patterson River, Rosebud, Rowville, South Warrandyte, Springvale, Whittlesea, Boronia, Cranbourne, Dandenong, Frankston, Hallam, Mornington, Melton, Craigieburn, Greenvale, Sunbury, Caroline Springs, Point Cook, Hoppers Crossing, Eltham, South Morang, Traralgon, Morwell, Shepparton, Ballarat City, Lucas, and Bendigo.

Health

12 564. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the Minister’s written response to my adjournment debate matter raised on 8 September 2017 regarding hospital funding and the Minister’s statement that the “increase in funding was also to assist hospitals with increased operating costs” —

- (1) how much of the \$115 million additional funding following the flu season was for increased operating costs; and
- (2) which operating cost increases needed supplementation.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

All of the \$115 million in additional funding was for increased operating costs associated with delivering services at our public hospitals, in order to deliver more surgeries and support more patients in emergency departments.

Energy, environment and climate change

12 650. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): What burn-offs are planned for the Eltham area before the 2018-19 bushfire season and when are they due to be carried out.

ANSWER:

Information on planned burns is included in the fire operations plan, publicly available at <https://www.ffm.vic.gov.au/bushfire-fuel-and-risk-management/fire-operation-plans>.

The Honorable Member may also be interested in the boundaries of the electorate of Kew, available at <https://www.vec.vic.gov.au/ElectoralBoundaries/KewDistrictProfile.html>.

[Question 12 650 reinstated by order of President on 24 July 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 8 May 2018, page 1907.]

Health

12 651. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the allocation of medical intern positions in 2017 —

- (1) what was the total number of available intern places; and
- (2) how many interns were placed in each health service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

In 2017, there were 813.5 full time equivalent accredited intern positions available and all these positions were filled. This included three part-time interns who were continuing an internship they commenced in 2016

Roads and road safety

12 671. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): As announced on 1 May 2018, when will traffic lights be installed at the Main Road and Leane Drive intersection, Eltham, and what is the cost of the installation.

ANSWER:

The upgrade of Fitzsimons Lane will form one of the 14 projects to be delivered as part of the \$2.2 billion Suburban Roads Upgrade package. As part of the upgrades on Fitzsimons Lane, there will also be new traffic signals at the intersection of Main Road and Leanne Drive. These projects will be delivered by a new dedicated authority, Major Road Projects Authority, within five years.

Roads and road safety

12 677. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): Since 2014, what representations have been made to VicRoads seeking an upgrade of the Civic Drive/Greensborough Bypass/Diamond Creek roundabout in Greensborough.

ANSWER:

Funding has been allocated under the Regional and Metropolitan Roads Upgrade Program to plan for the future upgrade of this intersection.

VicRoads works closely with the community and local government and the Civic Drive and Greensborough Bypass Roundabout has come up in these discussions. In April 2018, VicRoads ran a consultation session in Greensborough to get community input on this intersection as part of the North East Link ‘drop in’ session.

Roads and road safety

12 678. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): Since 2014, what action has VicRoads taken to monitor speed limits along Diamond Creek Road.

ANSWER:

VicRoads advises me that it collected data surveys on Diamond Creek Road in 2015 and 2016. Based on the results, the vast majority of motorists are complying with the speed limit and Diamond Creek Road is not considered a high-risk site in this context.

Enforcement of the speed limit for the minority of motorists that may speed on this road is a matter for Victoria Police. Any concerns received by VicRoads relating to excessive speeding are referred to Victoria Police for investigation. Furthermore, Victoria Police has advised VicRoads that it regularly monitors Diamond Creek Road to ensure that motorists comply with the posted speed limit.

Roads and road safety

12 679. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): Will a review of the speed limits along Diamond Creek Road be undertaken as part of the \$100 000 announced in the 2018-19 Budget for further investigation and development of future road improvement works at the Civic Drive/Greensborough Bypass/Diamond Creek Road intersection in Greensborough.

ANSWER:

VicRoads collected speed data along Diamond Creek Road in 2015 and 2016. Based on the result, the vast majority of motorists are complying with the speed limit and Diamond Creek Road is not considered a high-risk site in this context.

Enforcement of the speed limit for the minority of motorists that may speed on this road is a matter for Victoria Police. Any concerns received by VicRoads relating to excessive speeding are referred to Victoria Police for investigation. Furthermore, Victoria Police has advised VicRoads that it regularly monitors Diamond Creek Road to ensure that motorists comply with the posted speed limit.

Roads and road safety

12 680. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): How many accidents have been recorded at the Ryans Road/Wallowa Road intersection in Eltham North, in —

- (1) 2014;
- (2) 2015;
- (3) 2016; and
- (4) 2017.

ANSWER:

I am advised that the number of recorded accidents at the intersection of Ryans Road and Wallowa Road in Eltham North are: 2014 — four recorded casualty crashes; 2015 — one recorded casualty crash; 2016 — one recorded casualty crash; and 2017 — two recorded casualty crashes.

Roads and road safety

12 681. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): Since 2014, what representations have been made to VicRoads seeking an upgrade of the Ryans Road/Wallowa Road intersection in Eltham North.

ANSWER:

I am pleased to advise that funding has been allocated in the 2018/19 Victorian State Budget under the Regional and Metropolitan Road Upgrades Program to the investigate improvements at this intersection.

VicRoads listens to community feedback and will continue to do so.

As well as monitoring the road network, VicRoads closely engages with the community, local government and other key stakeholders around road upgrades and other network improvements.

Roads and road safety

12 682. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): Since 2014, what action has VicRoads taken to monitor speed limits along the Ryans Road/Wallowa Road intersection in Eltham North.

ANSWER:

Speed limits are set to provide an appropriate balance between safety and mobility, with consideration given to factors such as the number of access points along the route, the nature of the road environment, adjacent speed zones, road user types and the crash history.

Monitoring the speed limit is an enforcement matter for Victoria Police to follow up. Any concerns received by VicRoads regarding speeding are promptly forwarded to Victoria Police for consideration.

Health

12 693. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the Metro Tunnel Project’s impact on hospitals and medical research facilities —

- (1) what is the Government’s solution to allow the tunnelling to go ahead without needing to shut down sensitive equipment at the Parkville Medical Precinct;
- (2) will you reimburse institutions that are not able to operate equipment or have other negative operating impacts; and
- (3) what is the estimated cost of replacing radiotherapy services at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre if they were shut down.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The department has been working with health services, including the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, and the Metro Rail Authority, to understand the nature of risks and ways to mitigate those, including through planning and scheduling. This is a normal part of the construction planning process associated with similar projects world-wide.

At this stage the Metro Rail Authority is still working through its construction methodology. The department will work with health services to minimise any adverse impacts, including financial impacts, when these are better able to be estimated. However, I am advised that, currently, disruptions are expected to be relatively minor.

Health

12 694. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the new Footscray Hospital, is the business case complete, and if not, when will it be completed and what is the expected cost range of the project.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Planning of the New Footscray Hospital is well progressed, however this process, including finalisation of the business case, is complex and takes time. The cost range of the project will be determined through this planning work and is dependent on a number of factors including the optimal size and location of the new hospital.

A detailed consultation process is also underway to make sure that the views and ideas of patients, staff, local council, community groups and traders are captured and incorporated into the development process.

Health

12 695. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the Aikenhead Centre for Medical Discovery, is the \$60 million still held in contingency.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Victorian Government is committed to medical research because we know that advances in treatments and technologies mean better patient outcomes. In the 2015-16 Budget, the Victorian Government allocated \$60 million towards its Aikenhead biomedical engineering election commitment. The commitment was contingent on the Commonwealth matching funding for the project, and as such the funding was not released to the department. The Budget papers made this clear.

Health

12 696. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the \$6.1 million influenza vaccination program, how much of this is for —

- (1) advertising and communications; and
- (2) administration and delivery of the vaccines.

ANSWER:

I am informed that: \$255 000 is being spent on advertising and communications. The balance is being spent on administration and delivery of the immunisation program.

Health

12 697. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the independent review of palliative care funding, is the review complete, and if not, when will it be completed and when will it be publicly released.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

An independent review of Victoria's palliative care funding model is now complete. The Report which outlines the review findings and Expert Panel recommendations is being finalised. Once Government has had the opportunity to review the Report we will advise on its release.

Health

12 698. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to palliative care funding in 2018-19 —

- (1) how much money is budgeted for palliative care services in total; and
- (2) how much is for —
 - (a) admitted palliative care;
 - (b) non-admitted palliative care;
 - (c) palliative care consultancy;
 - (d) training and development; and
 - (e) regional palliative care consortia.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

\$144.7m is currently allocated for palliative care for 2018-19, however a number of internal proposals are still being considered, therefore the overall 2018-19 palliative care allocation has not been finalised. However, in 2017-18 total palliative care funding was \$142.5m, which is \$26.5m more than the \$116m funded by the previous government in 2014

Health

12 700. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the four components of the \$50.9 million boost for palliative care funding in the 2017-18 budget update, which of these components attract Commonwealth National Partnership Agreement funding.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Regional and rural community palliative care and regional palliative care consultancy attract Commonwealth National Partnership Agreement funding.

Health

12 701. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to funding for health services to meet additional electricity costs —

- (1) what was the additional cost of gas and electricity to health services in 2017-18.
- (2) how many Victorian hospitals have alternative power generation capacity to give certainty of supply and save costs;
- (3) which hospitals have alternative power generation capacity and —
 - (a) what is their alternative source of energy;
 - (b) what percentage of power consumption does it offset;
- (4) how many hospitals are solely reliant on power supplied by the electricity grid, excluding emergency backup; and
- (5) does the Department of Health and Human Services monitor the maintenance and testing of emergency backup power.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Health services report energy information annually and provide financial statements as part of their annual reports.

Details of hospitals with alternative sources of power is available on the Department of Health and Human Services website.

All hospitals are reliant on the grid for electricity, and they have multiple levels of security to ensure that patient care is not compromised if the electricity grid goes down. The department monitors the maintenance and testing of emergency backup power.

Health

12 703. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the ‘thunderstorm asthma’ event on 21 November 2016, have there been any legal proceedings brought against Ambulance Victoria because of the event.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

No.

Families and children

12 769. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: In relation to the Parkville Youth Justice Centre and the ‘Strengthening the Youth Justice System’ allocation of \$144.6 million over the next four years, as outlined on page 93 of the Budget 2018 19, Budget Paper 3 —

- (1) how much is allocated for ‘repairs by client damage’;
- (2) how many additional secure units will be constructed from this funding and how many beds will there be for —
 - (a) male offenders;
 - (b) female offenders;
- (3) what is the expected completion date for the building of the new bed expansion; and
- (4) will there be any penalties applied to contracted work if not completed on time, and if so, what will the penalties equate to.

ANSWER:

The Andrews Labor Government is committed to rebuilding and strengthening Victoria’s youth justice system. That’s why we have provided an unprecedented \$1.2 billion to youth justice to build fit-for-purpose infrastructure, recruit additional staff, expand young offender behaviour programs and implement the landmark Armytage Oglloff Youth Justice Review.

Unlike the previous Liberal government that ignored the Ombudsman’s 2010 recommendation on Parkville Youth Justice Centre, shelved a masterplan and built a gingerbread house facility at Malmsbury, the Andrews Labor Government is acting on expert advice and making the necessary investment to ensure our custodial centres are safe and secure. This investment is a 580 per cent increase in infrastructure investment compared to the previous Liberal government

As this year’s Budget papers reveal, we are investing in more beds and better security to meet growing demand as a result of tough bail and sentencing reforms that will help keep the community safe.

The ‘Strengthening the Youth Justice system’ allocation of \$144.6 million in the 2018-19 Budget includes an additional \$70.7 million over the next four years to operate new beds funded by the ‘Youth Justice secure bed expansion initiative’, which was announced in the 2017-18 Budget Update.

The Youth Justice secure bed expansion initiative invested \$79.5 million to construct an additional 68 beds across the system, and a new more secure perimeter fence at Malmsbury. This includes 36 new secure beds at the Parkville Youth Justice Precinct and 32 new secure beds at Malmsbury Youth Justice Precinct. At this time, all new beds are intended for young males.

The Youth Justice custodial system is experiencing unprecedented demand for secure beds and these new beds will allow us to meet demand until the new facility at Cherry Creek comes online in 2021.

The construction of the new beds is expected to be completed by late 2018. While I can confirm that the department has taken measures to protect its interests regarding any delays in the completion of building works, I am unable to disclose specific contractual penalties, which are commercial in confidence.

Families and children

12 770. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: In relation to the Malmsbury youth justice centre and the ‘Strengthening the Youth Justice System’ allocation of \$144.6 million over the next four years, as outlined on page 93 of the Budget 2018 19, Budget Paper 3 —

- (1) how much is allocated for ‘repairs by client damage’; and
- (2) how many additional secure units will be constructed from this funding.

ANSWER:

I refer you to my answer to QoN 12769.

Families and children

12 771. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: In relation to the ‘Strengthening the Youth Justice System’ allocation of \$144.6 million over the next four years, as outlined on page 93 of the Budget 2018 19, Budget Paper 3 —

- (1) how much of this funding will be spent on agency staff;
- (2) how many agency staff worked in the Parkville youth justice centre in 2017-18; and
- (3) how many agency staff worked in the Malmsbury youth justice centre in 2017-18.

ANSWER:

The Andrews Labor Government is committed to rebuilding and strengthening Victoria’s youth justice system. That’s why we have provided an unprecedented \$1.2 billion to youth justice to build fit-for-purpose infrastructure, recruit additional staff, expand young offender behaviour programs and implement the landmark Armytage Ogloff Youth Justice Review.

Unlike the previous Liberal government that cut more than 20 youth justice jobs, the Andrews Labor Government is recruiting more staff across the youth justice system and improving their capacity to work more effectively and safely with the extremely challenging and complex young offenders. During our term, the Government has created and funded more than 280 new youth justice positions.

The Department of Justice and Regulation has been actively implementing a targeted recruitment campaign attracting youth justice custodial workers to work in the two youth justice centres. The success of the recruitment campaign has resulted in a reduction in the department’s use of agency staff. While the department is committed to reducing the use of agency staff, ensuring appropriate contingency measures are in place to support our existing workforce and to maintain the safety and security of centres is critical.

The ‘Strengthening the Youth Justice system’ allocation of \$144.6 million in the 2018-19 Budget includes an additional \$70.7 million over the next four years to operate new beds funded by the ‘Youth Justice secure bed expansion initiative’, which was announced in the 2017-18 Budget Update. This investment ensures we have the right people in place as we bring these beds online and to securely and safely accommodate young offenders.

We will continue to review and evaluate our recruitment process and strategy, ensuring we are bringing the right people into our precincts and maintaining a stable workforce, which is key to managing the behaviour of young offenders in custody.

Families and children

12 772. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: In relation to the \$21.8 million that has been allocated over four years to increase the cap from \$500 to \$650 per grant to provide additional support for households under significant financial duress under the Utility Relief Grant Scheme (Concessions) as outlined on page 72 of the Budget 2018 19, Budget Paper 3 —

- (1) how many concession card holders have received this grant in 2017-18;
- (2) how many are projected to benefit from this grant in 2018-19;
- (3) what advice have you received regarding the number of households who have had their electricity disconnected and required reconnecting; and
- (4) what advice have you received regarding the number of households who had their gas disconnected and required reconnecting.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The 2018-19 Victorian Budget provides \$21.7 million to lift the cap on the Utility Relief Grant Scheme from \$500 to \$650, the first increase in the cap in over a decade.

The Utility Relief Grants Scheme provides temporary financial assistance to low income households who are unable to pay overdue electricity, gas or water bills due to unexpected hardship.

The Department of Health and Human Services does not report on the number of Utility Relief Grants issued to individual households, only the number of grants provided.

An estimated 38 421 grants were provided in 2017-18 to households experiencing financial hardship, including concessions households and low income households on retailer hardship programs, for either their electricity, gas or water bills. This may mean some households have received grants for more than one utility.

The Department of Health and Human Services does not capture or report on the number of households disconnected from electricity or gas. These are matters for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change.

Families and children

12 773. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: In relation to the Government's commitment to transfer the management of Aboriginal child protection and out-of-home care services to the Aboriginal community, as outlined on page 3 of the Budget 2018 19, Budget Paper 3 —

- (1) have all existing carers been made aware of the set targets and timeframes for which children in their care will be removed and transferred under the Aboriginal Children and Families Agreement; and
- (2) what support is given to the non-Indigenous carers who are affected by these reunification initiatives.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Aboriginal Children and Families Agreement does not require that children are removed from current care arrangements. Rather the Transitioning Aboriginal Children to Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCOs) project (the project) supports priorities established by the Aboriginal Children's Forum (ACF) to gradually transition all Aboriginal children and young people in care under the authority, care and case management of an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation.

This initiative does not mean the child's care changes — rather the case management and/or support provided to the carer will transfer from child protection or a community service organisation to an ACCO.

All foster care agencies have been advised of the initiative and will discuss the transition of carers and case management to ACCOs where it is assessed this is in the best interests of the child. Likewise child protection will have these discussions with relevant kinship carers.

This process is supported by carer advisory groups in each of the four departmental divisions to support communication between kinship and foster carers and the department and service providers.

Foster carers are volunteers and reserve the right to select the CSO they wish to volunteer for and will not be obligated to transfer to an ACCO when caring for an Aboriginal child. It is expected however that over time all carers of Aboriginal children will be supported and managed by an ACCO.

Carers, including carers that are non-Indigenous that care for an Aboriginal child, will be encouraged and supported to transfer to a registered ACCO recognising this will support the child's connection to culture. The transition of carers to ACCOs will be supported through orientation events, meet and greet events with ACCOs and carers will receive the same level of support and supervision they currently receive from CSOs with strengthened cultural support.

Cultural training is currently mandatory for all kinship and foster carers caring for an Aboriginal child and this training support will continue.

Families and children

12 774. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: In relation to the \$43.4 million allocated over the next four years for the child information sharing reforms, as outlined on page 7 of the Budget 2018 19, Budget Paper 3, how much is allocated for —

- (1) training to personnel within Victoria's child protection agencies and organisations;
- (2) training of the child protection workforce in relation to the information sharing arrangements; and
- (3) the establishment of the child link register.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department of Health and Human Services has been provided with \$9.4m over four years, and \$1.2m ongoing for child information sharing implementation, this includes \$2.5M over four years, and \$0.1 M ongoing, to train Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) employed and contracted workforces, which includes the child protection workforce as well as child protection agencies and organisations. The training will include organisational change management support, face to face sessions, online training and self-directed learning materials.

DHHS has also been funded \$4.629M over three years for a sector support team to implement the reforms for DHHS workforces and funded agencies; and \$2.3M over four years and \$1M ongoing for a central information exchange and advice function primarily aimed at supporting the child protection workforce.

The Department of Education and Training has been allocated \$500 000 for the initial development of the Child LINK Register.

The Andrews Labor Government's child information sharing reforms will improve early identification of issues and risks to enable early support for children and families, increase collaboration between services to provide an integrated response and support children's participation in services.

Families and children

12 775. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: In relation to the allocated funding for child and family services, as outlined on pages 72 and 76 of the Budget 2018 19, Budget Paper 3, how many practitioners will be assigned to work alongside universal services such as kindergarten, playgroups, and primary schools.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Community Partnerships initiative is focused on reducing child abuse and neglect in Victoria. It will do this through a place based, collective impact approach that builds the capability of families and communities and addresses systemic barriers to vulnerable families getting earlier and more effective community and social service supports.

The initiative will support new and better ways for families, communities, service providers and government to work together to build strong families and prevent harm to children before it occurs.

The assignment and placement of practitioners will be determined as a part of a co-design process with local communities.

Families and children

12 776. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: Between 1 July 2016 and 30 April 2018 —

- (1) how many child protection practitioners have made claims relating to a work related injury; and
- (2) how many complaints has the Department of Health and Human Services received relating to workplace bullying.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Information relating to Workcover claims is available in the Departmental of Health and Human Services annual report.

Roads and road safety

12 785. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): As outlined in the North East Link, Appendix I, Complementary Projects —

- (1) what work is being undertaken to develop a business case for grade separation of Diamond Creek Road traffic heading to the Greensborough Bypass;
- (2) what work is being undertaken to develop a business case for widening Diamond Creek Road; and
- (3) what work is being undertaken to develop a business case for a bus/rail interchange at Greensborough Railway Station.

ANSWER:

Complementary projects are classified as initiatives that would provide added benefit to a project, but are not critical to enable the core project to realise it's intended benefits.

Transport for Victoria will consider options to be further developed for Government's consideration.

Ambulance services

12 787. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Ambulance Services): When will the new ambulance station being built at Montmorency be fully completed and operational.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Construction is anticipated to complete mid-July 2018 and be operational for early August 2018.

Finance

12 791. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): How much additional revenue does the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) expect to receive in 2018 as a result of the annual premium increases that were approved for 1 January 2018.

ANSWER:

I can confirm that no extra revenue will be collected as a result of ‘annual premium increases that were approved for 1 January 2018’, as no increase was approved for this date.

The Transport Accident Commission spends over \$1.3 billion every year on funding services and supports to Victorians injured as a result of a transport accident.

The Transport Accident Commission’s premiums rose from 1 July 2018, in line with the consumer price index (CPI). The TAC estimates a result of \$33.2 million increase in earned premiums, for the 2018/19 year.

This represents 2.5% of the amount of services and supports funded every year by the TAC.

Finance

12 792. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): In relation to projects listed as ‘to be funded by the Transport Accident Commission’ in the 2018-19 Budget Paper 3: Do the projects noted form part of the \$1.62 billion in ‘amounts equivalent to dividends’ to be taken from the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) over forward estimates, or do these represent additional payments that are to be made for projects by TAC on top of that figure.

ANSWER:

Each year, the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) provides over \$1.3 billion worth of funding for supports and services for people injured as a result of a transport accident. In addition to this, the TAC provides funding for important road safety initiatives, in an effort to reduce the level of fatalities and serious injuries on Victorian roads.

I can confirm that the amounts listed in Budget Paper 3; specifically those initiatives related to extending the funding for regional road safety and additional enforcement measures as part of the Towards Zero Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan, are additional to the ‘amounts equivalent to dividends’.

Finance

12 793. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): In relation to the 28.2 per cent increase in WorkSafe injury claims by police officers since 2013-14, the highest numeric increase in claims of any profession:

- (1) what has caused the significant increase in police officer injury claims; and
- (2) what actions has WorkSafe taken to investigate and address this issue with Victoria Police.

ANSWER:

REPLY 1):

The Andrews Labor Government is committed to protecting the health and wellbeing of those who protect us.

Mental injuries account for 35 per cent of all police claims reported to date since 2013/14. This compares to 13 percent of all claims for the scheme as a whole. It is likely that mental injuries were under-reported prior to this period in police and across the scheme.

In the 2017/18 period, mental injury has accounted for 40 per cent of all Victoria Police standardised claims reported to date.

It is believed that growth in awareness and an organisational cultural shift has led to an increase in claims made. In addition, recent significant events such as the Bourke Street and Flinders Street tragedies have likely had an impact on police.

REPLY 2):

WorkSafe engages with Victoria Police and other government employers in multiple ways and at various levels, to influence them to promote mental health and wellbeing, prevent mental injury from occurring, and better respond when it does happen via timely treatment and support, and a focus on early return to work. A range of activities have been undertaken at a whole of government level in addition to focused approaches with Victoria Police. This includes:

- Victoria Police meet quarterly with WorkSafe, the Police Association and Gallagher Bassett to review the organisation’s claim performance, actions being taken by Victoria Police to eliminate/reduce employees’ exposure to risks to health and safety, and to review any controls being considered for implementation.

Furthermore, WorkSafe has ongoing compliance and enforcement activity with Victoria Police, including:

- Between 1 July 2014 and 30 June 2018 (as at the 4th July 2018), WorkSafe has inspected Victoria Police workplaces a total of 314 times; 270 of the visits have been conducted with a focus on health and safety and 44 visits with a return to work focus. During this period, 17 Improvement Notices have been issued, 2 PIN Enquiry Outcome Notices and 12 Voluntary Compliances.
- From 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018, WorkSafe visited Victoria Police a total of 69 times, 54 visits focused on health and safety and 15 visits with a return to work focus

Finance

12 794. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): Does the Government have any plans to extract capital from WorkSafe Victoria.

ANSWER:

Worksafe Victoria does important work and the Andrews Labor Government is committed to keeping it well funded so it can focus on keeping people safe at work.

While I am consulted on the matter of capital repatriations, they are in fact determined on an annual basis by the Treasurer.

Finance

12 795. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): Why have WorkSafe Average Premium Rates not reduced for five consecutive years.

ANSWER:

A key consideration for the WorkSafe Board when setting the target average premium rate is to ensure that the premium collected covers the breakeven premium (BEP) rate. BEP is the estimated total long-term claims and operating costs to fund injuries projected to occur over the next year divided by the total remuneration of registered employers.

The WorkSafe scheme is in a sound financial position. With the support of the Andrews Labor Government, WorkSafe has been able to maintain a record low average premium rate, while improving benefits for our injured workers.

Finance

12 806. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): What specific level of funding has WorkSafe allocated to its targeted hazard intervention programs in —

- (1) 2017-18; and
- (2) 2018-19.

ANSWER:

WorkSafe does not allocate its funds based specifically on hazard or by industry programs, as these are interrelated. In 2016/17, WorkSafe's total expenditure was \$311M. Of this, \$150M was attributed to health and safety activities.

Finance

12 807. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): What specific level of funding has WorkSafe allocated to its targeted industry interventions and statutory programs in —

- (1) 2017-18; and
- (2) 2018-19.

ANSWER:

WorkSafe does not allocate its funds based specifically on hazard or by industry programs, as these are interrelated. In 2016/17, WorkSafe's total expenditure was \$311M. Of this, \$150M was attributed to health and safety activities.

Finance

12 808. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): What specific level of funding has WorkSafe allocated to WorkHealth in —

- (1) 2017-18; and
- (2) 2018-19.

ANSWER:

The Andrews Labor Government is committed to ensuring workers have the best possible mental health at work. That is why we have established the WorkWell program with a focus on mental health.

In 2017/18, WorkSafe's budget spend for the WorkWell program was \$8 949 000, and for 2018/19 the budget is \$8 022 000.

Finance

12 809. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): What specific level of funding has WorkSafe allocated to quad bike safety in —

- (1) 2017-18; and
- (2) 2018-19.

ANSWER:

The Andrews Labor Government is taking decisive action to reduce the deaths and serious injuries involving quad bikes.

In 2017/18, WorkSafe Victoria's (WSV) budget allocated to the quad bike safety rebate was \$3 260 000.

As at 29 June 2018, \$3 146 256 has been spent on quad bike rebates (\$1 460 256 on Operator Protector Devices (OPDs) and \$1 686 000 on Side by Side (S/S).

In 2017/18, marketing spend on promoting quad bike safety was \$436 000 — made up of production costs, media and communications material.

Any budget underspend for the quad bike safety rebate in 2017/18 will be carried over to the 2018/19 financial year.

Finance

12 810. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): What specific level of funding has WorkSafe allocated to sponsorships in —

- (1) 2017-18; and
- (2) 2018-19.

ANSWER:

Because there is nothing more important than ensuring the health and safety of our workers, WorkSafe Victoria (WorkSafe) has sponsorship programs to promote initiatives in relation to occupational health and safety, and Back at Work. Such sponsorships assist WorkSafe to expand its profile reach in regional Victoria and Melbourne's western metropolitan region, where a large number of high-risk industries are located.

Each year WorkSafe commits \$1.5 million to sponsorships. In 2016/17 WorkSafe sponsored The Western Bulldogs Football Club, Netball Victoria Country and The Melbourne Victory Football Club.

Finance

12 811. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): What specific level of funding has WorkSafe allocated to public awareness campaigns in —

- (1) 2017-18; and
- (2) 2018-19.

ANSWER:

Worksafe Victoria does important work and the Andrews Labor Government is proud to fund its projects as it focuses on keeping people safe at work.

As part of this work, WorkSafe Victoria (WorkSafe) utilises advertising campaigns to raise awareness of workplace risks and to promote Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) and Back at Work initiatives. In 2016/17 advertising expenditure for campaigns and media was \$7.8 million.

These included:

- Enforcement (Bad Days)
- Mother’s Day
- Farm Safety — Quad Bikes
- Return to Work (Getting Back)
- Occupational Violence and Aggression in Healthcare
- Father’s Day
- Cultural and Linguistically Diverse (CALD)

In 2017/18, the combined advertising spend for campaigns was \$7.2 million with \$1 555 000 allocated for Back at Work. New campaigns included Occupational Violence (“It’s Never OK”) and Hearts and Minds.

Finance

12 812. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): What specific level of funding has WorkSafe allocated to work in support of the Victorian Asbestos Eradication Agency in —

- (1) 2017-18; and
- (2) 2018-19.

ANSWER:

For the 2017-18 financial year, the Victorian Asbestos Eradication Agency (VAEA) was provided a budget of \$3.71 million, sourced from the WorkSafe scheme. For the 2018-19 financial year, the VAEA’s budget is \$3.22 million, sourced from the WorkSafe scheme.

Finance

12 813. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Finance): What specific level of funding did WorkSafe provide to the Victorian Trades Hall Council for the OHSRep website or other purposes in —

- (1) 2016-17;
- (2) 2017-18; and
- (3) 2018-19.

ANSWER:

Unlike our predecessors, the Andrews Labor Government is ensuring that any surplus accumulated in WorkSafe is invested in measures that support workers’ health and safety and funds improvements to benefits for injured workers.

Contractual arrangements between WorkSafe and its stakeholders are a matter for WorkSafe.

Treasurer

12 815. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Treasurer): How much has the Department of Treasury and Finance spent on hiring external law firms to handle freedom of information requests made by its current employees in —

- (1) 2016-17; and
- (2) 2017-18.

ANSWER:

During 2016-17 and 2017-18 the Department of Treasury and Finance had no expenditure on hiring external law firms to handle freedom of information requests made by its current employees.

2016-17	\$ nil
2017-18	\$ nil

Treasurer

12 816. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Treasurer): How many legal proceedings is the Department of Treasury and Finance currently involved in that relate to its current employees.

ANSWER:

The Department of Treasury and Finance is not currently involved in any legal proceedings that relate to its current employees.

Treasurer

12 818. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Treasurer): How many complaints has the Department of Treasury and Finance received regarding alleged breaches of the privacy of its employees in —

- (1) 2016-17; and
- (2) 2017-18.

ANSWER:

During 2016-17 and 2017-18 the Department of Treasury and Finance received no complaints regarding alleged breaches of the privacy of its employees.

2016-17	0
2017-18	0

Treasurer

12 819. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Treasurer): How many complaints has the Department of Treasury and Finance received regarding alleged breaches of the privacy by the department in —

- (1) 2016-17; and
- (2) 2017-18.

ANSWER:

During 2016-17 the Department of Treasury and Finance received no complaints regarding alleged breaches of privacy.

During 2017-18 the Department of Treasury and Finance received one complaint regarding an alleged breach of privacy.

2016-17	0
2017-18	1

Treasurer

12 821. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Treasurer): How much has the State Revenue Office spent on hiring external law firms to handle freedom of information requests made by its current employees in —

- (1) 2016-17; and
- (2) 2017-18.

ANSWER:

During 2016-17 and 2017-18 the State Revenue Office had no expenditure on hiring external law firms to handle freedom of information requests made by its current employees.

2016-17	\$ nil
2017-18	\$ nil

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Health

10 921. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health):
In relation to the Victorian Supercare Pharmacy in Yarraville South —

- (1) on what date did the onsite nurse start taking appointments;
- (2) how many hours a week is the onsite nurse employed; and
- (3) how many appointments has the onsite nurse undertaken from commencement of offering that service to 28 February 2017.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Nurses are available at all Supercare Pharmacies from 6 pm to 10 pm, 7 days a week.

By August June 2018, more than 235 000 visits in total have already been made to Supercare Pharmacies, and more than 16 000 patients have been seen by nursing staff.

[Question 10 921, part (3), reinstated by order of President on 8 May 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 27 March 2018, page 1423.]

Health

10 922. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health):
In relation to the Victorian Supercare Pharmacy in Craigieburn —

- (1) on what date did the onsite nurse start taking appointments;
- (2) how many hours a week is the onsite nurse employed; and
- (3) how many appointments has the onsite nurse undertaken from commencement of offering that service to 28 February 2017.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Nurses are available at all Supercare Pharmacies from 6 pm to 10 pm, 7 days a week.

By August June 2018, more than 235 000 visits in total have already been made to Supercare Pharmacies, and more than 16 000 patients have been seen by nursing staff.

[Question 10 922, part (3), reinstated by order of President on 8 May 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 27 March 2018, page 1423.]

Health

10 924. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health):
In relation to the Victorian Supercare Pharmacy in Ballarat —

- (1) on what date did the onsite nurse start taking appointments;
- (2) how many hours a week is the onsite nurse employed; and
- (3) how many appointments has the onsite nurse undertaken from commencement of offering that service to 28 February 2017.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Nurses are available at all Supercare Pharmacies from 6 pm to 10 pm, 7 days a week.

By August June 2018, more than 235 000 visits in total have already been made to Supercare Pharmacies, and more than 16 000 patients have been seen by nursing staff.

[Question 10 924, part (3), reinstated by order of President on 8 May 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 27 March 2018, page 1424.]

Health

12 523. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health):
In relation to security personnel at hospitals with emergency departments —

- (1) which 44 hospital sites received funding to increase security staff; and
- (2) how many full time equivalent staff were allocated to each of the 44 hospital sites and for what hours.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The 44 sites that received funding to increase security staff are listed in column 2 of the attached table.

Health services are responsible for engaging the additional security staff and determining their hours of work.

Health Service	Site
Albury Wodonga Health	Albury Hospital
	Wodonga Hospital
Alfred Health	The Alfred
Austin Health	Austin Hospital
	Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service	Bairnsdale Regional Health Service
Bass Coast Health	Bass Coast Health
Barwon Health	McKellar Centre
Bendigo Health	Vahland House Bendigo
Castlemaine Health	Castlemaine Health
Cohuna District Hospital	Cohuna District Hospital
Djerriwarh Health Service	Melton Health
	Bacchus Marsh Health
Eastern Health	Box Hill Hospital
	Maroondah Hospital
	Angliss Hospital

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Echuca Regional Health	Echuca Regional Health
Goulburn Valley Health	Goulburn Valley Health
Kyabram District Health Service	Kyabram District Health Service
Kooweerup Regional Health Service	Kooweerup Regional Health Service
Latrobe Regional Hospital	Latrobe Regional Hospital
Mildura Base Hospital	Mildura Base Hospital
Monash Health	Monash Medical Centre
	Dandenong Hospital
	Casey Hospital
Northeast Health Wangaratta	Northeast Health Wangaratta
Northern Health	Northern Hospital
	Bundoora Extended Care
Numurkah District Health Service	Numurkah District Health Service
Peninsula Health	Frankston Hospital
	Rosebud Hospital
	Mornington Centre
	Golf Links Road Rehabilitation Centre
Rochester and Elmore District Health Service	Rochester and Elmore District Health Service
Seymour Health	Seymour District Memorial Hospital
South West Healthcare	South West Healthcare
St Vincent's Health	St Vincent's Hospital
Swan Hill District Health	Swan Hill District Health
The Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital	The Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital
Western Health	Footscray and Sunshine Hospitals
	Sunbury Hospital
Wimmera Health Care Group	Wimmera Base Hospital

Health

12 524. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health):
In relation to security personnel at hospitals with emergency departments —

- (1) is the nightly patrol service at Kooweerup Regional Health Service now operational and if so, when did it commence;
- (2) is the nightly patrol service at Rochester and Elmore District Health Service now operational, and if so, when did it commence;
- (3) why were Kooweerup Regional Health Service and Rochester and Elmore District Health Service chosen to receive a nightly patrol service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Nightly patrol service at Kooweerup Regional Health Service is now operational, and commenced on 25 October 2017.

Rochester and Elmore District Health Service is now operational, and commenced on 20 November 2017.

All Victorian public health services were invited to apply for funding to support the provision of additional security personnel. Applicants were required to submit a proposal stating where and how additional security staff would be used. Kooweerup Regional Health Service and Rochester and Elmore District Health Service both sought funding for a nightly patrol service to reduce their security risks.

Health

12 617. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the Boards within the Minister’s responsibility —

- (1) how many ministerial delegates have been appointed by the Minister to Boards; and
- (2) to which Boards, on what date and for what term has the Minister appointed each delegate.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) As at 21 June 2018 there are 6 ministerial delegates appointed to a total of 5 boards of management.
- (2) The table below lists the board where a delegate is appointed, their appointment date, the length of their current term and the expiry of their current term.

Board	Date appointed	Current term length	Current term expiry
Eastern Health	4 April 2018	9 months	3 January 2019
Bass Coast Health	29 March 2018	6 months	28 September 2018
Goulburn Valley Health	9 February 2018	6 months	8 August 2018
West Wimmera Health Service	18 August 2017	12 months	17 August 2018
Yea and District Memorial Hospital	17 April 2018	6 months	16 October 2018
	22 February 2018	6 months	21 August 2018

Police

12 781. MR O’DONOHUE — To ask the Minister for Corrections (for the Minister for Police): How many female prisoners were held in police cells at 7.00 a.m. on the following dates —

- (1) 28 February 2018;
- (2) 31 March 2018;
- (3) 30 April 2018; and
- (4) 31 May 2018.

ANSWER:

The following outlines how many female prisoners were held in police cells at 7.00am on the specified dates:

Date	Number of female prisoners
28 February 2018	6
31 March 2018	21
30 April 2018	15
31 May 2018	21

Special Minister of State

12 796. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State: In relation to funding provided in the 2018-19 Budget for Service Victoria, what is the total funding for the following financial years —

- (1) 2018-19;
- (2) 2019-20;
- (3) 2020-21; and
- (4) 2021-22.

ANSWER:

I refer Mr Rich-Phillips to the answers I have previously given him on these matters during the committee stage of the Service Victoria Bill 2017 debate on Tuesday 1 May 2018. For convenience, I draw his attention to pages 1530-1531 of the Hansard.

As I have previously noted and put on the public record during the committee consideration of the above Bill, Service Victoria has a track record of spending money wisely and not expended all the funding allocated to the program after completing the program outputs as at 30 June 2018. Beyond this, revised estimates will be form part of the Pre-Election Budget Update.

Special Minister of State

12 797. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State: Why are there no performance measures for Service Victoria published in the Budget.

ANSWER:

Service Victoria contributes to the “Delivery of projects within agreed timelines” performance measure under the Digital Government and Communications output.

Police

12 830. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Training and Skills (for the Minister for Police): How many traffic infringements have been issued in Bolton Street, Eltham since March 31, 2018 —

- (1) for speeding; and
- (2) to drivers of trucks and other heavy vehicles over 16.5 tonnes.

ANSWER:

As at 17 August 2018, the Department of Justice and Regulation’s records indicate that, since 31 March 2018, at Bolton Street, Eltham:

- 1) 35 infringements have been issued for speeding;
- 2) two infringements have been issued to drivers of trucks and other heavy vehicles, comprising one infringement issued for speeding and one infringement issued for failing to obey signage.

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Thursday, 23 August 2018

Sport

11 486. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Sport): How many full time equivalent Ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your Ministerial office, as of 1 July 2017.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Unlike the Liberals who did nothing but cut services for four years — we make no apology for employing the people we need to deliver the things that matter to most Victorians.

Whether it's building thousands of new and upgraded schools, better hospitals, road and rail projects, and removing 50 dangerous level crossings — we're working hard to deliver for all Victorians.

I refer you to the updated response from the Premier.

[Question 11 486 reinstated by order of President on 7 June 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 8 May 2018, page 1891.]

Sport

11 509. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Sport): How many female ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2017.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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[Question 11 509 reinstated by order of President on 7 June 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 8 May 2018, page 1892.]

Sport

11 531. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Sport): How many full time equivalent ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2016.

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Sport

11 553. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Sport): How many female ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2016.

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[Question 11 553 reinstated by order of President on 7 June 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 8 May 2018, page 1896.]

Sport

11 575. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Sport): How many new employees commenced work within your ministerial office (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) between 1 July 2015 and 1 July 2016.

ANSWER:

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[Question 11 575 reinstated by order of President on 7 June 2018. Hansard reference to original answer: 8 May 2018, page 1898.]

Public transport

12 834. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Public Transport): Will the trestle bridge in Eltham need to undergo strengthening works before there is any increase in train services to and from Eltham and further to Hurstbridge.

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Eastern Metropolitan for her continued interest in the Andrews Labor Government's investments along the Hurstbridge line as we are building the infrastructure needed for long-term solutions for the northeast.

Public Transport Victoria has advised that an increase in services would not trigger a need to strengthen the bridge.

From 26 August, following the completion of the \$395 million Hurstbridge Line Upgrade, passengers living between Eltham and the city will have more options to get to work, school or leisure activities with 35 new and extended services each week.

Public transport

12 835. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Public Transport): Is the trestle bridge in Eltham regarded by engineers as being structurally unsound.

ANSWER:

No.

Public transport

12 836. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Public Transport): Will the original train speeds on the section of the Hurstbridge rail line covering the trestle bridge at Eltham be reinstated once the planned maintenance works have been completed.

ANSWER:

The temporary speed restriction was lifted on 19 July 2018.

Premier

12 837. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Premier): How many full time equivalent Ministerial staff were employed by the Premier as of 1 July 2018.

ANSWER:

Unlike the Liberals who did nothing but cut services for four years — we make no apology for employing the people we need to deliver the things that matter most to Victorians.

As has been previously advised there were approximately 60 staff working exclusively in my office.

Providing a further breakdown of this data would require an unnecessary diversion of resources, given that the number of staff charged to the Premier's Private Office cost centre varies from month to month reflecting expected staff movements, including parental leave and attrition.

Premier

12 838. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Premier): How many female full time equivalent Ministerial staff were employed by the Premier as of 1 July 2018.

ANSWER:

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Premier

12 839. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Premier): How many new Ministerial staff commenced employment under the Premier's Private Office cost centre between 1 July 2016 and 1 July 2017.

ANSWER:

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Premier

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Premier

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Premier

12 843. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Premier): How many full time equivalent Ministerial staff employed by the Premier were working within your Ministerial Office located at 1 Treasury Place, East Melbourne as of 1 July 2018.

ANSWER:

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As has been previously advised there were approximately 60 staff working exclusively in my office.

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Premier

12 844. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Premier): How many female full time equivalent Ministerial staff were working within your Ministerial Office located at 1 Treasury Place, East Melbourne as of 1 July 2018.

ANSWER:

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Answers to the following questions on notice were circulated on the date shown.

Questions have been incorporated from the notice paper of the Legislative Council.

Answers have been incorporated in the form supplied by the departments on behalf of the appropriate ministers.

Headings reflect the portfolio of the minister answering the question.

Friday, 24 August 2018

Agriculture

11 473. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Agriculture: How many full time equivalent ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office as of 1 July 2017.

ANSWER:

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Agriculture

11 495. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Agriculture: How many female ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2017.

ANSWER:

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Agriculture

11 518. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Agriculture: How many full time equivalent ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2016.

ANSWER:

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Agriculture

11 540. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Agriculture: How many female ministerial staff (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) were working within your ministerial office, as of 1 July 2016.

ANSWER:

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Agriculture

11 562. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Agriculture: How many new employees commenced work within your ministerial office (including those working on secondment from departments or agencies) between 1 July 2015 and 1 July 2016.

ANSWER:

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I refer you to the updated response from the Premier.

Agriculture

12 717. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Agriculture: In relation to ministerial staff, employed by the Premier, working in your ministerial office located at 1 Spring Street, Melbourne, between 1 January 2018 and 1 June 2018 —

- (1) what was the number of full time equivalent employees and what were their specific job titles; and
- (2) how many of these full time equivalent employees were female and what were their specific job titles.

ANSWER:

I am informed that ministerial staff are employed by the Premier. Information regarding staffing numbers would be best addressed to the Premier.

Agriculture

12 718. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Agriculture: How many full time equivalent staff employed by the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources worked within your ministerial office located at 1 Spring Street, Melbourne, between 1 January 2018 and 1 June 2018.

ANSWER:

I am informed that numbers regarding departmental staff on secondment are not held by my office but their own relevant agency.

Training and skills

12 751. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Training and Skills: In relation to ministerial staff, employed by the Premier, working in your ministerial office located at 2 Treasury Place, East Melbourne, between 1 January 2018 and 1 June 2018 —

- (1) what was the number of full time equivalent employees and what were their specific job titles; and
- (2) how many of these full time equivalent employees were female and what were their specific job titles.

ANSWER:

I am informed that ministerial staff are employed by the Premier. Information regarding staffing numbers would be best addressed to the Premier.

Training and skills

12 752. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Training and Skills: How many full time equivalent staff employed by the Department of Education and Training worked within your ministerial office located at 2 Treasury Place, East Melbourne, between 1 January 2018 and 1 June 2018.

ANSWER:

I am informed that numbers regarding departmental staff on secondment are not held by my office but their own relevant agency.

Corrections

12 753. MR RICH-PHILLIPS — To ask the Minister for Corrections: How many full time equivalent staff employed by the Department of Justice and Regulation worked within your ministerial office located at 2 Treasury Place, East Melbourne, between 1 January 2018 and 1 June 2018.

ANSWER:

I am informed that numbers regarding departmental staff on secondment are not held by my office but their own relevant agency.