

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY

INTEGRATION OF THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY'S CORPORATE DOCUMENTS

Senate Estimates – 23 October 2017

Additional information

Issue

Response to Senator Moore's question regarding the integration of the Sustainable Development Goals into the Department of the Environment and Energy's corporate documents.

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals came into effect on 1 January 2016. Agency leads on the Goals and the whole-of-government coordination of the Agenda took some months to establish following their entry into force. This timing was not compatible with the preparation and release of the Department of the Environment and Energy's Annual Report 2015–16. This is why the Goals and Agenda are not reflected in the document.

There will be some mention of the Goals and Agenda in the Department's 2016-17 Annual Report and we have agreed an approach within the Department that we would start with integrating the Goals and their targets into the Department's Corporate Plan in the first instance. This exercise was undertaken this year. We have mapped the Goals to our performance measures in the Department's Corporate Plan 2017-18 (from page 22) which is now publicly available online. In line with this, the narrative on how the Department's activities contribute to the Goals and Agenda will feature in the Department Annual Report 2017-18, which reports against the corresponding Corporate Plan.

Corporate Plan 2017–18: <http://www.environment.gov.au/about-us/publications/corporate-plan-2017-18>

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