

SENATE ECONOMICS REFERENCES COMMITTEE

INQUIRY INTO NOT-FOR-PROFIT ENTITIES—TAX ASSESSMENTS

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Agency: Australian Taxation Office
Topic: Not-for-profit stewardship group
Senator: Dean Smith

Question:

Senator Smith (acting chair): Mr Stokes, when was the last meeting of the ATO Not-for-profit Stewardship Group? Was it March 2024?

Mr Stokes: It was 17 July of this year.

Senator Smith (acting chair): And the one previous to that was?

Mr Stokes: We meet three times a year. The one previous to that would have been 19 March of this year.

Senator Smith (acting chair): Is the record of the 17 July meeting not yet on the ATO website?

Mr Stokes: I might defer to Jennifer on that; I'm not sure.

Ms Moltisanti: I think the key messages are on our website, but—

Senator Smith (acting chair): No, the key messages from the March meeting were posted on 4 September—six months. My question is: have the key decisions or discussion points of the 17 July meeting been posted on the ATO website yet?

Ms Moltisanti: I would have to check that.

Senator Smith (acting chair): Does it normally take six months for records of the meeting to be posted?

Ms Moltisanti: We normally try to get them out as soon as practicable, but I would need to check that if I can take that on notice.

Senator Smith (acting chair): I'm happy to stand corrected, but the record or discussion points of the 19 March meeting were published on 4 September. If the record of the discussion points for the 17 July meeting are available, they should be posted as quickly as possible.

Answer:

The key messages from the July 2024 Not-for-Profit Stewardship Group meeting are published on our website at www.ato.gov.au/about-ato/consultation/in-detail/stewardship-groups-key-messages/not-for-profit-stewardship-group/not-for-profit-stewardship-group-key-messages-17-july-2024.