

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

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**Outcome/Program:** Outcome 1: Prime Minister and Cabinet  
**Topic:** Cities Division funding and costing

**Senator:** McAllister

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**Question:**

- 1) Please provide a breakdown of how much funding the Cities Division will receive for each year over the forwards.
  - a) Please provide a breakdown of how this funding will be spent in each year over the forwards.
- 2) Please provide a list of any procured expertise since the previous Senate Estimates, including the costs associated with each.
- 3) Please provide a list of any contractors and associated costs since the previous Senate Estimates.
- 4) Please provide a list of all staffing changes, including overall numbers, date, since the last Senate Estimates.

**Answer:**

- 1) As per the 2017-18 Portfolio Budget Statement, the Cities Division has been allocated \$23.5 million in Departmental funding
  - \$7.688 million in 2017-18
  - \$7.647 million in 2018-19
  - \$4.056 million in 2019-20
  - \$4.080 million in 2020-21.
  - a) Departmental funding is usually expended on employee and supplier expenses such as consultants, outsourced providers, travel and legal fees.
- 2) A list of expertise procured by the Cities Division since Additional Estimates 2016-17, which covers the period from 27 February 2017 to 31 May 2017, is at Attachment A. For the purpose of this question, expertise is defined as consultancy services that have all of the following characteristics:
  - The services involve the development of an intellectual output that assists with agency decision making

- The intellectual output reflect the independent views of the service provider as opposed to the agency's views
  - The intellectual output the sole or substantial element of the procurement, in terms of relative value and importance.
- 3) A list of contractors engaged by the Cities Division since Additional Estimates 2016-17, which covers the period from 27 February 2017 to 31 May 2017, is at Attachment B. For the purpose of this question, contractors are defined as goods and services acquired for the Commonwealth's own use or for the use of third parties.
- 4) At the Additional Estimates hearing on 27 February 2017, the Cities Division reported that its total number of staff members was 34. As at 31 May 2017, the total number of staff members in the Cities Division was 33. During this period:
- three secondees returned to their home agencies
  - a temporary internship ended
  - one officer transferred to another agency
  - four new staff joined the Division, including a secondee.

**ATTACHMENT A**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Party Name</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Maximum Contract Value*</b>
Legal advice – Western Sydney City Deal	Australian Government Solicitor	02/03/2017	\$3,000.00
Legal advice – Western Sydney City Deal	Australian Government Solicitor	21/03/2017	\$13,000.00
Townsville Water Security Taskforce Advisory Services	GHD	30/05/2017	\$400,000.00

*\* Costs are GST inclusive*

**Attachment B**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Party Name</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Maximum Contract Value*</b>
Graphic design services	Paper Monkey	01/03/2017	\$18,095.00
Mapping services	Department of the Environment and Energy	01/03/2017	\$80,000.00
Workshops with international cities expert	The Business of Cities	03/04/2017	\$9,960.00
Future Ready masterclass delivery	Cities Leadership Institute	07/04/2017	\$43,455.50
Recruitment services	Amanda O'Rourke Executive Search	10/04/2017	\$11,000.00
Facilitation of Future Ready Co-Learning Lab	ThinkPlace	12/05/2017	\$8,488.00
Facilitators for City Deal Workshop	ThinkPlace	12/05/2017	\$30,000.00

\* *Costs are GST inclusive*