

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Provision of Equipment - Ministerial

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Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone has been provided and the costs?
 - a) Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification
2. Has electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) been provided by the department/agency? If yes provide a list of:
3. What is provided?
4. The purchase cost.
5. The ongoing cost.
6. A list of any accessories provided for the equipment and the cost of those accessories. (e.g. iPad keyboards, laptop carry bags, additional chargers etc).
7. A breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

Answer:

1.

Device/ Model	Cost of Device
iPhone/6	\$844.50
iPhone 5c	No cost – current stock – Superseded model

a) The initial service requests for iPhone assets were delivered under an office based Service Request to the Ministers Office.

Six iPhone/6 assets were allocated and have been distributed to the Minister and the relevant Advisors within the office. There have been two iPhone/5c assets allocated to Departmental Liaison Officers.

2. Yes.

3. Apple iPads, Apple iPhones, Wi-Fi Hotspots and Laptop Computers.

4.

Device/ Model	Cost of Device (ex GST)
iPad/air 2	\$780.91
iPhone/6s	\$980.91
iPhone/6	\$844.50
Wi-Fi Hotspots	\$181.82

5. Associated Carriage services are delivered using the following cost model:

Data only: \$49 4GB data plan per month

Smartphone: \$5 voice + \$29 3GB data pack per month

6. Health IT does not provide accessories, individual business areas purchase them as required.

7. Mobile phones are available to departmental staff where a business justification exists.

Wireless cards and WiFi hotspots are available to staff for use with departmental laptops or personal smartphones where connection to the Department's network is required from remote locations.

Non-SES Officers are able to request devices where a business justification and Assistant Secretary level approval is provided.