

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

2016 - 2017

Division/Agency: Australian Taxation Office

Question No: AET 24

Topic: Facilities Upgrade

Reference: Written

Senator: Bilyk

Question:

1. Have the facilities of any of ATO premises been upgraded since 1 October 2016, for example, staff room refurbishments, kitchen refurbishments, bathroom refurbishments, the purchase of any new fridges, coffee machines, or other kitchen equipment?
2. If so, can a detailed description of the relevant facilities upgrade please be provided together with an itemised list of costs (GST inclusive)?
3. Can any photographs of the upgraded facilities please be provided?

Answer:

1. The ATO Perth office has undergone its first major refurbishment and upgrade since it was first opened in 1992.
2. The total refurbishment project was valued at \$24,846,842 (GST exclusive)*. Separate costing for each room or facility item is not available. The total refurbishment cost is on public record and it has been approved by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works. The Committee's report is available at http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Public_Works/Land_121/Report

*The ATO reports on the net cost to the ATO, which is the standard accounting treatment for reporting. Whilst the ATO will pay invoices inclusive of GST, the GST is claimed back. Hence the net cost to the ATO is the GST-exclusive amount and therefore is what is reported.

