

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2017**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Retail Strategy report**

Question: **60**

Written **Senator Wong**

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1. Why is Westpac Bank not included in the retail strategy?
2. Will banking services continue to be provided by Westpac at Parliament House, or will they be replaced by other banking services?
3. Does the Department of Parliamentary Services propose to remove postal and banking services from Parliament House?

Answer

1. The Westpac banking services were considered in the The Maytrix Group report. Westpac has a current Licence which expires in December 2019.
2. Following a refurbishment of the retail precinct, DPS will offer licences to the market for a range of services. Whether or not banking services will feature in this precinct is yet to be determined but some form of banking services will be retained as a valued service offering.
3. No.