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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Question:

For each Minister in the Finance portfolio please provide the following:

- a. Excluding standard electorate office provisions, what Department of Finance office infrastructure is allocated to each Minister at their home base office, including hard wiring and IT equipment if any?
- b. Is there additional Ministerial equipment installed in each Minister's electorate office?
- c. What was the cost for this installation?
- d. When was it installed?
- e. What office space was each Minister allocated in addition to his electorate office space allocation upon becoming Minister?

Answer:

- a. Ministers have a choice between a surface pro or a laptop with monitor, keyboard, mouse and printer.
- b. Ministers are not provided with any additional equipment in their electorate offices. Each staffer is provided with a choice between a surface pro or laptop, one or two monitors, keyboard and mouse. The office is also provided with a printer. This is consistent with Department of Finance staff allocations.
- c. Finance ICT costs for equipment, including that provided to Ministers' offices, is allocated under an outsourced ICT contract which provides hardware and support over the duration of the 4 year contract. As a result, an installation cost for Ministerial equipment is not able to be determined, as this cost is part of a larger service offering under the outsourced ICT contract.
- d. ICT equipment was installed in January 2017.
- e. The Minister for Finance was allocated an additional 81.9m² in the Perth Commonwealth Parliament Offices (CPO) taking the Minister's total allocated space to 223m². The Special Minister of State Minister was allocated 179m² in the Melbourne CPO.