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Question:

What changes have been made to the membership of the Prime Minister's Business Advisory Council since Mr Turnbull's appointment.

Has Mr Turnbull met with the council since his appointment. If so, on what date.

What costs are associated with the Business Council since it was established.

Answer:

The Prime Minister has decided to discontinue the Business Advisory Council.

The last meeting of the Council was hosted by the former Prime Minister, the Hon Tony Abbott MP, on 29 July 2015 in Sydney.

Total costs of \$73,080.67 were incurred in running the Council. This includes catering and the costs of travel for members and secretariat staff.