

2012 Policy Commitment - ACT Greens

Election Commitment:

Name of Commitment: Canberra's Transport Future - Light Rail

Reference No: GRN029

Cost Request Submitted by:¹ Meredith Hunter MLA, ACT Greens Parliamentary Leader

Date Request Received: 02-Oct-12

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Additional Information Requested (including date): Clarification was sought on the staging and funding arrangements for design and construction of the project. (5-Oct-12)

Additional Information Received (including date): 16-Oct-12

Financial Implications:

Impact On:	2012-13 \$'000	2013-14 \$'000	2014-15 \$'000	2015-16 \$'000	2016-17 \$'000	TOTAL \$'000
Revenues ^(a)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenses ^(a)	0.0	-2,652.7	-1,922.2	-5,594.8	-10,060.5	-20,230.1
Net Operating Balance	0.0	-2,652.7	-1,922.2	-5,594.8	-10,060.5	-20,230.1
Capital Requirement	0.0	0.0	-15,000.0	-85,000.0	-100,000.0	-200,000.0
Cash Surplus/Deficit	0.0	-2,652.7	-16,922.2	-90,594.8	-110,060.5	-220,230.1

(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses

Other Information:

Caveats or qualifications to the costing:

The costing is based on the assumption that ACT Government funding for design and construction will require supplementation by Commonwealth Government or private sector funding. As such the feasibility of this commitment is contingent on securing significant co-funding from a partner. It is assumed that the final asset will be owned and controlled (under accounting definitions) by the ACT Government.

Other Comments:

Treasury notes the commitment contemplates (based on the further information received from the Party), that considerable staffing resources will be contributed by external parties, or the private partners to the project. Pending the detailed financial and delivery structure being identified, such costs cannot be estimates with reasonable accuracy.

Costing Methodology Used:

- Costing Technique:

The initiative cost varies from the announced cost due to bringing forward \$15 million in funding in 2014-15 to contribute to design costs following advice received from the ACT Greens. This change also resulted in variances in the cost of capital. In addition the costing has expensed masterplan work proposed for 2013-14 rather than being capitalised.

- Policy Parameters:

n/a

Statistical Data Used:

n/a



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