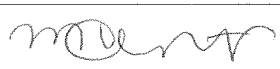


Request for Costing an Election Commitment

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Name of election commitment:	Review of carers payments					
Person and party requesting costing:	Meredith Hunter, ACT Greens Parliamentary Leader 4 TH September 2012					
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	http://act.greens.org.au/content/act-greens-care-and-protection-package					
Summary of election commitment:	A Review of Carers Payments					
Intention of election commitment:	Review the current foster and kinship carers payment program to ensure that both carers and children are being properly financially supported to meet their needs.					
Signature of person requesting costing:						
Date of request for costing:	4/10/12					
What are the key assumptions that have been made in the election commitment?						
<p>Note: that where the request to cost an election commitment differs from the public announcement, the costing will be on the basis of information provided in the costing request.</p> <p>Note: it will be up to the professional judgment of the Director-General as to whether these assumptions are adopted in the costing of the election commitment.</p>						
Where relevant, is the funding for the policy to be demand driven or a capped amount?						
N/A						
Will third parties, for instance the Commonwealth or other State/Territories, have a role in funding or delivering the election commitment?						
No						
Will funding/the cost require indexation?						
N/A						
What are the estimated revenue and operating costs each year (if available) and what are the capital requirements for this election commitment and estimated costs each year (if available)?						
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue ^(a)						
Expenses ^(a)		-0	-0	-0	-0	-0
Capital						
(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses.						
What is the likely take up?						
N/A						
Any other assumptions?						
The administrative review of the adequacy of payments is within the expertise of CSD and it is assumed that the review can be done within the existing resources of the Directorate.						

Administration of the election commitment
<p>How will the election commitment be administered? This initiative will be administered within the existing management framework of Community Services Directorate.</p>
<p>Who will administer the election commitment? The Community Services Directorate</p>
<p>Has an allowance been made for expenses necessary to support the implementation of this election commitment?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – If no, will the government agency be expected to absorb expenses associated with this election commitment? – If yes, please specify the key assumptions. <p>No. As set out above it is assumed that the Directorate can undertake the review within existing resources.</p>
<p>What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment? From the start of the 2013.14 financial year.</p>
<p>Are there transitional arrangements associated with election commitment implementation? N/A</p>
<p>Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered? No.</p>
<p>When is the election commitment expected to be fully operational? <i>Please provide further details i.e. start and end dates, the level of commitment during each period etc?</i> From the start of the 2013-14 financial year.</p>
<p>Will the election commitment cease and if so when? The election commitment will cease when the review is complete.</p>