


Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of election commitment:	<i>Enhanced Online Consultation</i>					
Person and party requesting costing:	Meredith Hunter, ACT Greens Parliamentary Leader					
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	14 September 2012 http://act.greens.org.au/content/greens-make-open-government-reality-act					
Summary of election commitment:	A more effective and responsive online consultation process.					
Intention of election commitment:	To make online consultation more consistent and a higher quality, and to trial applications for enhanced online consultation					
Signature of person requesting costing:						
Date of request for costing:	5/10/12					
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?						
A capped amount.						
Will third parties, for instance the Commonwealth or other State/Territories, have a role in funding or delivering the election commitment?						
Yes third parties will develop the software tools.						
Will funding/the cost require indexation?						
No.						
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)		-25				-25
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?

- This initiative requires that CMCD review current consultation processes, with a view to requiring all government consultation to occur through a single portal and to use embedded forms rather than simply providing an email link.
- As CMCD is responsible for community consultation it is considered reasonable for the CMCD to undertake this task within their existing resources.
- The funding provided is for the development of software tools. The 'Delib' company provides an indicative example of available products and prices. <http://www.delib.net/>

Administration of the election commitment

How will the election commitment be administered?

Through CMCD as part of its responsibility for public consultation.

Who will administer the election commitment?

CMCD.

Has an allowance been made for expenses necessary to support the implementation of this election commitment?

– If no, will the government agency be expected to absorb expenses associated with this election commitment?

– If yes, please specify the key assumptions.

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What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment?

From the start of the 2013-14 financial year.

Are there transitional arrangements associated with election commitment implementation?

N/A.

Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered?

No.

When is the election commitment expected to be fully operational?

Please provide further details i.e. start and end dates, the level of commitment during each period etc?

From the start of the 2013-14 financial year.

Will the election commitment cease and if so when?

The trial will occur in 2013-14 only.