

Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of election commitment:	<i>Literacy and numeracy officers</i>
Person and party requesting costing:	Katy Gallagher, ACT Labor
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	17/9/12 http://www.katygallagher.net/?p=2208
Summary of election commitment:	\$12.1 million to maintain and expand literacy and numeracy officer program
Intention of election commitment:	To maintain the existing literacy and numeracy officer program in schools, and fund an expansion of the program.
Signature of person requesting costing:	<i>K. Gallagher</i>
Date of request for costing:	4.10.12

What are the key assumptions that have been made in the election commitment?

This funding provides for maintaining, and expanding (by 6 officers) the Territory-funded component of the Literacy and Numeracy Officer program from 2013-14.

Where relevant, is the funding for the policy to be demand driven or a capped amount? Capped

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? Indexation has been taken into account

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)		-2,900	-2,980	-3,070	-3,160	-12,110
Capital						

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

What is the likely take up?

The existing program provides targeted in class support to students at risk of poor numeracy and literacy outcomes. This program will maintain and expand the number of specialist teachers within this program, primarily targeting schools with students from low socio-economic status and English as an additional language backgrounds who are identified at risk of poor numeracy and/or literacy performance.

Any other assumptions?

Administration of the election commitment

How will the election commitment be administered? As recurrent funding to fund specialist teachers.

Who will administer the election commitment? The Education and Training Directorate.

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

– Yes, extra funding is provided for teacher costs.

What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment? 2013-14

Are there transitional arrangements associated with election commitment implementation? No

Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered? No

When is the election commitment expected to be fully operational?
2013-14

Will the election commitment cease and if so when? This is a four year commitment. Any extension would be a decision for the government of the day.