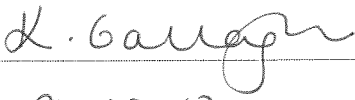


Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of election commitment:	<i>Non-Government schools – smart schools, smart students</i>					
Person and party requesting costing:	Katy Gallagher, ACT Labor					
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	31/7 http://www.katygallagher.net/?p=1535					
Summary of election commitment:	\$2.5 million for non-government schools assist in the cost of connecting to fast broadband.					
Intention of election commitment:	To help ensure all non-government schools, as well as government schools, are connected to high-speed broadband.					
Signature of person requesting costing:						
Date of request for costing:	9.10.12					
What are the key assumptions that have been made in the election commitment?						
<p>This is grant funding for non-Government schools who will need to apply and be found eligible on the basis of demonstrated need with the program taking into account existing communications infrastructure in the school, the school's capacity to finance and maintain infrastructure, and the Australian Government's rollout of the National Broadband Network. The program will include an evaluation and audit process to ensure proper implementation.</p>						
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? 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)		-625	-625	-625	-625	-2,500
Capital						
(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses.						
What is the likely take up? Non-government schools who are struggling to upgrade to high-speed broadband. Grants will be on an application basis.						
Any other assumptions?						

Administration of the election commitment

How will the election commitment be administered? Through the Education and Training Directorate

Who will administer the election commitment? ETD

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

– No – any administration costs associated with running the grants program will be absorbed.

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? Yes, this is a four year grant program.