

Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of policy proposal:	Future of ACT education - discussion paper
Person requesting costing:	Andrew Barr MLA, ACT Labor
Date of request:	23/09/2016
Summary of proposal:	ACT Labor will undertake a community consultation and prepare a discussion paper on the future of education in the ACT.
Issue the proposal will address:	The proposal will provide guidance about the future challenges of education and how best to meet them.

What are the key assumptions that have been made in the proposal?

Note: The costing will developed on the basis of information and assumptions provided in the costing request. The professional judgment of the Under Treasurer will determine whether these assumptions are adopted in the costing of the proposal.

The funding will be capped. Senior executive activity would be met from internal resources of the Education and Training Directorate (ETD).

The indicative project team would include: 1 SOG A, 1 SOG C and 1 ASO 5 - (each for nine months, split over two years).

\$20k to fund a media campaign to alert the community on the consultation period.

The costing assumes the ACT Public Service would undertake the activity, and is based on a similar exercise in Victoria, which had a consultation period of around 2 months.

What are the estimated revenue and operating costs each year (if available) and what are the capital requirements for this proposal and estimated costs each year (if available)?

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue^(a)					
Expenses^(a)		-234	-107		-341
Capital					
Depreciation					

(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses. The expenses row does not include depreciation costs.

Has any specific information or data been utilised in generating the proposal?

N/A

Where relevant, is funding for the proposal 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 proposal? Does the proposal provide additional funding to, or redirect, any existing Commonwealth/State or Territory funding arrangements (for example, does an education proposal add to or redirect NERA funding).

N/A

Will funding/the cost require indexation?	Indexation is already included.
Who will administer the proposal?	The Education Directorate (ED) will meet any additional administration costs from internal resources.
How will the proposal be administered?	Through ED.
Is the proposal part of a broader package?	No.
Has an allowance been made for expenses necessary to support the implementation of this proposal? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – If no, will the government agency be expected to absorb expenses associated with this proposal? – If yes, please specify the key assumptions. 	No. See above regarding ED internal resources.
Will the proposal generate savings or offsets?	No.
Has the proposal been previously costed by an external (third) party? Will a copy of this material, including any assumptions, be made available to Treasury?	No.
What are the community impacts associated with the proposal? Who and how many people will be affected?	The community will ultimately benefit from an improved education system.
Are there any transitional considerations associated with implementation of the proposal? If so, how will they be managed?	N/A
What is the intended implementation date of the proposal?	1 July 2017
When is the proposal expected to be fully operational? Please provide details such as the start and end dates, the level of commitment during each period etc?	Start date 1 July 2017, and end at the latest by 30 December 2018.
Will the proposal cease, and if so, when?	31 December 2018.
Is there any additional information relevant to this proposal?	N/A