


## Request for Costing an Election Commitment

<b>Name of proposal:</b>	Partnering with Cricket ACT to establish a W/BBL team for Canberra.
Person requesting costing:	Andrew Barr MLA 
Date of request:	11 October 2024
Summary of proposal:	A re-elected Labor Government will partner with Cricket ACT to get Canberra's very own women's and men's Big Bash Team
Issue the proposal will address:	<p>Despite cricket being one of Canberra's most popular sports, our city is not represented at the highest level of domestic cricket competition.</p> <p>Getting Canberra Men's and Women's teams into the BBL and the WBBL will create a range of benefits for the Canberra community, including providing a pathway to elite cricket for our young talent.</p> <p>There will also be significant economic benefits, including driving visitation, and providing economic uplift on game days.</p>
Proposal's public announcement details (media release or policy statement published on a party website) <sup>1</sup> :	<a href="https://www.actlabor.org.au/media/342plfst/act-labor-policy-position-statement-2024-7-october-2024.pdf">https://www.actlabor.org.au/media/342plfst/act-labor-policy-position-statement-2024-7-october-2024.pdf</a>

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

**Note:** The costing will be 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 expense line includes the payments that would be made by the Territory through a performance partnership agreement with the new club. This agreement would detail a range of deliverables, including community participation, that the club would be required to provide.

The figures in the revenue line are net rather than gross. This is intended to reflect the net revenue returned to Venues Canberra once match-day expenses have been accounted for.

This is based on past results which usually see around \$50,000 in net revenue returned to Venues Canberra per Men's BBL game, with Women's fixtures roughly breaking even.

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<sup>1</sup> As per Part 2, section 5 of the *Election Commitments Costing Act 2012*

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)?					
	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Revenue<sup>(a)</sup></b>			251	260	511
<b>Expenses<sup>(a)</sup></b>		-1,500	-3,000	-3,000	-7,500
<b>Capital<sup>(a)</sup></b>					
<b>Depreciation<sup>(a)</sup></b>					
<b>Offset - Expenses<sup>(a)</sup></b>					
<b>Offset - Capital<sup>(a)</sup></b>					
<b>Full-time equivalent employees</b>	0	0	0	0	
(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses, depreciation or capital outflows. A positive number indicates an increase in revenue or decrease in expenses, depreciation or capital inflows. The expenses row is not to include depreciation costs.					
Has any specific information or data been utilised in generating the proposal? Please provide links or attach information/data sources referenced.					
No.					
Where relevant, is funding for the proposal 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 proposal? Does the proposal provide additional funding to, or redirect, any existing Commonwealth/State or Territory funding arrangements?					
No.					
Will funding/the cost require indexation?					
No. The final 10-year funding profile will be agreed as part of contract negotiations.					
Who will administer the proposal?					
CMTEDD (Sport and Recreation, and Venues Canberra)					
How will the proposal be administered?					
CMTEDD's teams with existing responsibility for managing the ACT Government's partnerships					

with elite sporting teams will administer the proposal.

Is the proposal part of a broader package? If so, please identify the other elements of the package.

Yes. The proposal is part of ACT Labor's Ambition for Canberra – Sports Package. The initiative is not dependent on other elements of the package for delivery

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

- If no, will the government agency be expected to absorb expenses associated with this proposal?
- If yes, please specify the key assumptions.

Administrative expenses will be absorbed by CMTEDD.

Will the proposal generate savings or offsets? If so, please quantify any savings or offsets.

As noted above, this proposal will generate revenue for the Territory. This is both through venue hire fees and other commercial opportunities for the Territory that are created when activating our stadiums, which is accounted for above, and tax revenue, which is not accounted for in this costing.

There will also be a significant economic uplift, in terms of both local economic activity generated on game days, as well as boosting our visitor economy through increased visitation.

Has the proposal been previously costed by an external (third) party? If so, will a copy of this material, including any assumptions, be made available to Treasury?

No. But the proposal has been developed in consultation with Cricket ACT, who have advised that the financial commitment reflected in this proposal is sufficient to deliver the policy outcome.

What are the community impacts associated with the proposal? Who and how many people will be affected?

As detailed above.

Creating a W/BBL team would provide a range of community and economic benefits to the entire Canberra community.

Are there any transitional considerations associated with implementation of the proposal? If so, how will they be managed?

No

What is the intended implementation date of the proposal?

It is anticipated the first payment to the new club would be made in the 2025-26 financial year.

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.

The proposal will be fully operational once a partnership agreement has been entered into.

Will the proposal cease, and if so, when?

The intention is that the initial partnership agreement will be for a 10-year period.

Is there any additional information relevant to this proposal?

No.