

Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of proposal:	Palmerston Shop upgrades
Person requesting costing:	Andrew Barr MLA 
Date of request:	11 October 2024
Summary of proposal:	A re-elected Labor Government will undertake upgrades at the Palmerston shops.
Issue the proposal will address:	We will undertake upgrade works at the Palmerston shopping precinct, building off previous work to improve the car park. These small-scale, localised improvements will include improvements to the public spaces and landscaping. This investment will also support local jobs.
Proposal's public announcement details (media release or policy statement published on a party website) ¹ :	https://www.actlabor.org.au/media/0e0el0ee/gungahlin_plan.pdf

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 project is slated to be commenced and completed across the 2026-27 and 2027-28 financial years. \$1 million will be invested into the project. Useful life is assumed to commence from 1 July 2028 (i.e. the year following financial completion). The proposal will be offset against the TCCS Asset Renewal Program.

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
Revenue ^(a)	0	0	0	0	0
Expenses ^(a)	0	0	0	0	0
Capital ^(a)	0	0	-500	-500	-1,000
Depreciation ^(a)	0	0	0	0	0
Offset - Expenses ^(a)	0	0	0	0	0
Offset - Capital ^(a)	0	0	500	500	1,000

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

Full-time equivalent employees	0	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. All works will be scoped to the allocated amounts.					
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					
Who will administer the proposal?					
Transport Canberra & City Services					
How will the proposal be administered?					
The design and construction works will be administered by TCCS as part of its existing infrastructure program.					
Is the proposal part of a broader package? If so, please identify the other elements of the package.					
Yes. This is part of ACT Labor's Plan for Gungahlin. Delivery of this proposal is not dependent on other elements of the package.					
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.					
No. Costs will be absorbed by TCCS as part of the existing Asset Renewal Program.					
Will the proposal generate savings or offsets? If so, please quantify any savings or offsets.					
No. The proposal will be offset from the Asset Renewal Program.					
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.
What are the community impacts associated with the proposal? Who and how many people will be affected?
Upgraded shopping and business precincts will create local hubs where the community can come together. Encouraging patronage of these centres will support our economy, and the vibrancy of our local and suburban centres. These projects will be small procurements and will generate employment in local industries like construction and landscaping. For maintenance and upgrade projects there is typically higher labour intensity and lower capital costs, which maximises potential job creation.
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?
Works will commence in the 2026-27 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.
Works will occur over the 2026-27 and 2027-28 financial years.
Will the proposal cease, and if so, when?
All upgrades will be completed by 30 June 2028.
Is there any additional information relevant to this proposal?
No.