

Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of policy proposal:	A training program to support builders and architects to achieve Liveable Housing Design Silver Level
Person requesting costing:	Shane Rattenbury MLA
Date of request:	3 October 2016
Summary of proposal:	Development and presentation of a new training program for builders and architects in the ACT on how to achieve Liveable Housing Design Silver Level.
Issue the proposal will address:	Proposal will drive improvements in the housing market to ensure new homes are easier to access, navigate and live in, as well as more cost effective to adapt to change.

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 proposal supports 1) the creation of an online e-learning package during the first 6 months, and 2) the recruitment of a trainer for 12 months who would work with the Directorate during the first 6 months to develop the training, with the second 6 months spent delivering the training.

Training would be delivered using existing resources (e.g. office space, electronic equipment for presentations etc).

The training program would be voluntary for builders and architects in the ACT to attend.

Expectation that hard copy training materials (papers etc) would be minimal on the day/s of training.

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)	0	0	0	0	0
Expenses^(a)	-0	-0	-195	-0	-195
Capital	-0	-0	-0	-0	-0
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?

Desktop analysis to determine the likely cost of a 20-30 minute e-learning package, and average salary costing data and vehicle hire data from the Standard Costing Parameters have been referenced in the development of this costing.

Where relevant, is funding for the proposal to be demand driven or a capped amount?
A capped, dollar limited commitment.
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)?
No. However, the development phase of the training program would likely be conducted in close consultation with Liveable Housing Australia and a number of relevant Builder and Architect Bodies operating in the ACT.
Will funding/the cost require indexation?
No.
Who will administer the proposal?
Environment and Planning Directorate.
How will the proposal be administered?
Administered internally (development and presentation), with a contract arrangement to develop an appropriate 20-30 minute e-learning package.
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.
Yes. Costs for staff in the Environment and Planning Directorate (1 FTE x ASO 6 with training/building/design experience for 12 months) have been factored in, as well as the costs of a hire vehicle for 12 months to consult in the development and deliver the training at various locations. The Directorate would need to absorb additional expenses should the development and delivery of training take longer than anticipated above.
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. However, the estimated costs to develop an appropriate e-learning package will be provided to Treasury.
What are the community impacts associated with the proposal? Who and how many people will be affected?
Improved housing design.

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?

2018-19

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?

2018-19

Will the proposal cease, and if so, when?

2018-19

Is there any additional information relevant to this proposal?

No.