


Request for Costing an Election Commitment

Name of election commitment:	<i>A new Tourism Advisory Board</i>					
Person and party requesting costing:	Meredith Hunter, ACT Greens Parliamentary Leader					
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	26 th September 2012 http://act.greens.org.au/sites/greens.org.au/files/tourism_0.pdf (page 5, point 5)					
Summary of election commitment:	With the current five year strategic plan for Australian Capital Tourism reaching its end in 2013, it is an ideal time to implement a revamped approach. The commitment is for the creation of a new Tourism Advisory Board to provide direct feedback to the Minister and oversight of Australian Capital Tourism.					
Intention of election commitment:	To provide a coordinated oversight mechanism for the marketing of Canberra as a tourism destination.					
Signature of person requesting costing:						
Date of request for costing:	10/10/12					
What are the key assumptions that have been made in the election commitment?						
<p>Note: that where the request to cost an election commitment differs from the public announcement, the costing will be on the basis of information provided in the costing request.</p> <p>Note: it will be up to the professional judgment of the Director-General as to whether these assumptions are adopted in the costing of the election commitment.</p>						
Where relevant, is the funding for the policy 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 election commitment?						
N/A.						
Will funding/the cost require indexation?						
Yes.						
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)		-26	-27	-27	-28	-108
Capital						
(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses.						
What is the likely take up?						
N/A						

Any other assumptions?

- The board will consist of one Chair and four members meeting quarterly.
- Rate for Part time advisory council/boards is set out in 2012 Determination from the Remuneration Tribunal.
- Based on the determination, a reasonable rate would be \$20,000 per annum for the chair, and \$400 per diem for members (for example, the Building and Construction industry training Fund Board has the Chair at \$16,650 per annum and members at \$375 per annum).

A break up of the expenses is as follows:

	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Chair of the board, indexed 2.5%		-20	-20.5	-21	-21.5	-83
4 X board members, 4 board meeting per year @ \$375 per diem indexed at 2.5%		-6	-6.1	-6.3	-6.5	-24.9

Administration of the election commitment**How will the election commitment be administered?**

The Board will report directly to the Minister as well as oversight Australian Capital Tourism. Any secretarial support will be provided from within existing resources at the Economic Development Directorate.

Who will administer the election commitment?

EDD.

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

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

No. The Directory will be expected to absorb any additional expenses associated with the commitment.

What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment?

From the start of 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?

Please provide further details i.e. start and end dates, the level of commitment during each period etc?

By the start of 2013/14

Will the election commitment cease and if so when?

N/A.