



ACT
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Treasury

Our File No: TSY-FOI11/8

Your File No:

Mr Zed Seselja MLA
Member for Molonglo
GPO Box 1020
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Mr Seselja

Request for information under the *Freedom of Information Act 1989*

I refer to your request received on 3 June 2011 and subsequent refined scope requests received on 14 July 2011 and 14 September 2011, seeking access to documents under the ACT Freedom of Information Act 1989 held by the Treasury Directorate.

In agreeing to a refined scope you seek copies of:

"...correspondence between ACT Treasury Ministers (including Ministerial Offices) during the caretaker period for the 2008 ACT elections".

Limited to:

"...correspondence between the above mentioned parties in relation to the costing of Government and political party election/promises, any proposal to cost promises or undertakings by the government or political parties, and any associated documents.

I am the officer authorised under Section 22 of the Act to make a decision in relation to your request. I have agreed to the release of the attached documents.

The attached documents include correspondence the Treasury Directorate provided to, or received from, the Minister's office between 12 September 2008 and 18 October 2008.

Where documents have previously been supplied to your office or are already publically available, such as final media statements or policies, these are listed in the schedule and have not been provided for administrative efficiency.

You will also note that I have decided not to release some of the documents under Section 36 internal working documents.

Section 36 states: Internal working documents

- (1) *Subject to this section, a document is an exempt document if its disclosure under this Act—*
- (a) *would disclose matter in the nature of, or relating to, opinion, advice or recommendation obtained, prepared or recorded, or consultation or deliberation that has taken place, in the course of, or for the purposes of, the deliberative processes involved in the functions of an agency or Minister or of the Territory;*

Exemptions under Section 36 relate to draft documents that could mislead or confuse if made publically available. These documents include:

- draft costing advice on a range of possible policy announcements of a political party, which did not reflect the final party position or the costing undertaken by Treasury (68-76, 119, 300, 301);
- draft advice on budget savings proposed by a political party not reflecting the final Treasury presentation (303, 304); and
- a document presenting the impact of the election commitments of the two parties on the Territory's operating result that was not consistent with the final Treasury presentation (337).

In addition, a number of internal working documents were created specifically for this FOI request and have been exempted under Section 36 (399-405, 408, 409, 412-421). These documents relate to internal Treasury decision making processes and many contain information outside of the scope of the request. It is not expected that their release would add value in the public arena and are more likely to confuse.

You will also note that there are a number of documents that have been exempted under Section 42 (424-443). These documents relate to legal advice and would be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

Section 42 states: Documents subject to legal professional privilege

- (1) *A document is an exempt document if it is of such a nature that it would be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.*

Finally, you will note that I have released a number of documents which include draft party policies and media releases as well as versions of the running tally of the cost as they were announced during the course of the caretaker period. I trust that you will treat these documents as draft and rely on the released versions of the party election commitments, and the 17 October 2008 Treasury costing (available on the Treasury website).

Fees and Charges:

Processing charges have not been applied in this instance.

Rights of Review

My decision to exempt some documents is reviewable under Section 59 of the Act. If you wish to seek an internal review you should write to:

The Chief Executive
Treasury Directorate
GPO Box 158
CANBERRA ACT 2601

You have 28 days from the date of the notification of the documentation to seek a review, or such other period as the Chief Executive of this Department permits.

You also have the right to complain to the Ombudsman about the processing of your request. If you wish to lodge a complaint you should write to:

The Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of your request please contact the Directorate's FOI Coordinator on (02) 6205 0623.

Yours sincerely



Stuart Friend
Director
Policy Coordination and Development

19 December 2011

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284 - 284	Email - Liberal election commitment - Light Rail	14/10/2008		Full Release
285 - 285	Email - Labor election commitment - Interest free loans	14/10/2008		Full Release
286 - 286	Email - Liberal election commitment - Transport urban services	14/10/2008		Full Release
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396 - 397	Email - FOI Correspondence held during caretaker Attachment - Letter from Leader of Opposition further advice on FOI request	18/07/2011	Attachment - provided by the Leader of Opposition	Email - Full Release Attachment - Not Released
398 - 405	Email - info on previous FOIs	20/07/2011	Attachment Section 36	Email - Full Release Attachment - Not Released
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424 - 427	Email - FOI Caretaker - Legal Advice Attachment - ACTGS Request for Legal Advice Form	22/09/2011	Section 42	Not Released
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Bulless, Neil

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Friday, 12 September 2008 11:15 AM
To: Smithies, Megan; Bulless, Neil; Thompson, Kirsten
Subject: FW: Canberra Liberals News

Just got this through
-----Original Message-----

From: Canberra Liberals [<mailto:media1@canberraliberals.org.au>]
Sent: Friday, 12 September 2008 11:03 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Subject: Canberra Liberals News

Hi Nikki,

Check out the latest news from the Canberra Liberals...

OPD'S AGENDA FOR THE AGEING

Opposition Leader Zed Seselja today announced a number of reforms that are part of a comprehensive plan to assist the growing population of older Canberrans.

<http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/?a1N1R&heu&BFi&vjB>

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Friend, Stuart

From: Lim, Phang-Chun
Sent: Monday, 15 September 2008 10:23 AM
To: Smithies, Megan; Thompson, Kirsten; Bulless, Neil; Broughton, Roger; Ahmed, Khalid; Pulford, Nikki; Bain, Glenn; Guthrie, Marsha; Friend, Stuart; O'Dea, Danny; Swan(DT), Eric; Reilly, Rob; McIntyre, Alicia
Cc: Bird, Bill; Jones, ChrisD (DT)
Subject: Liberal - unclogging the ACT planning system

Party: Liberal
Date: 15 September 2008
Source: Liberal Party Policy website
Issue: Unclogging the ACT Planning System
Announced costing: \$403,000 in 2008-09 and varies in the out years

This was announced last week but the costing details (e.g. savings to offset cost increase) were previously not available.

<http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/files/TL72ZMRMQC/Planning%20that%20Works.pdf>

Contact is Peter Micalos. Glenn Bain is the acting director.

PHANG-CHUN LIM | SENIOR MANAGER | BUDGET MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS BRANCH
FINANCE AND BUDGET DIVISION | ACT TREASURY

PH: 6207 0835 | FAX: 6207 0298

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Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 16 September 2008 6:57 PM
To: Friend, Stuart; Lim, Phang-Chun
Cc: Guthrie, Marsha
Subject: Re: Indigenous - media release - for you to review - URGENT

Stu
Office has confirmed only for 3 yrs - we'll need to fix tomorrow Neil

----- Original Message -----

From: Friend, Stuart
To: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tue Sep 16 16:35:24 2008
Subject: RE: Indigenous - media release - for you to review - URGENT

Neil,
release matches the running sheet. As mentioned most costs are presented over three years, other documents we have seen are over four. Might want to confirm if this was intentional.

I also note that the release does not include a cost for indigenous teachers, but there is a cost in our running sheet. It may be useful to clarify if this is changing the composition of teachers to employ a higher proportion of indigenous teachers ie no cost, or putting in additional indigenous teachers, above current staffing levels which would have a cost. If it is the former we can delete this from the running sheet.

Regards

STUART FRIEND | A/g DIRECTOR | BUDGET MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS BRANCH FINANCE AND BUDGET DIVISION | ACT TREASURY

PH: 6207 0213 | FAX: 6207 0298

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 16 September 2008 4:05 PM
To: Friend, Stuart
Cc: Guthrie, Marsha
Subject: FW: Indigenous - media release - for you to review - URGENT

Stu
Any issues?
Neil

From: Wurf, Jess

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Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2008 4:03 PM
To: Bulless, Neil
Cc: Weir, Brian
Subject: Indigenous - media release - for you to review - URGENT

Hi Neil,

Pen asked me to clear the numbers in the attached release with you. Can you come back to me today with any changes/issues?

Cheers

Jess

Jess Wurf
Media Advisor to
Jon Stanhope MLA
Chief Minister

T. 02 6205 0504

E. jess.wurf@act.gov.au

ACT Labor to assist Indigenous grandparents, teachers and trainees to support the next generation of Indigenous leaders.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government would provide targeted assistance to Indigenous grandparents, teachers, trainees and rising leaders to support the next generation of the ACT's Indigenous leaders.

Chief Minister Jon Stanhope made the announcement today outside the cultural centre at....

Mr Stanhope said a re-elected ACT Labor Government would continue to consult with and listen to the Indigenous community to improve services and policies that affect the lives of Indigenous Canberrans.

"A re-elected ACT Labor Government would better support grandparents – in particular grandmothers - who are the primary carers for their grandchildren by investing \$120,000 in a new program to be designed with the local Indigenous community," Mr Stanhope said. "Elements of the program could include social events, playgroups, assistance with transport, homework clubs and sporting activities.

"A re-elected ACT Labor Government would commit up to \$90,000 to enhance the Indigenous public service traineeships pilot program for young Indigenous Canberrans, with a guarantee of a job for those who complete the program.

"We would explore, in consultation with the Indigenous elected body, options for increasing the number of Indigenous teachers and teacher's aides in our public schools - one of the most powerful positive influences on Indigenous students.

"A re-elected ACT Labor Government would invest \$240,000 in an Indigenous Leadership grants program and \$200,000 over four years for an independent facilitator to provide ongoing professional advice to the elected Indigenous body."

Mr Stanhope said other commitments included developing Indigenous cultural tourism opportunities and \$150,000 for the research and compilation of genealogies of each of the acknowledged traditional Ngunnawal clans based in the ACT.

"The ACT Labor Government wants to help Aboriginals, who are indigenous to this region, to know and tell their own histories," Mr Stanhope said.

Mr Stanhope said the ACT Labor Government had worked hard in partnership with the Indigenous community to provide improved opportunities and to promote social inclusion.

"The ACT Labor Government has established the nation's first Aboriginal Justice Centre and constituted an elected Indigenous representative body with the first elections held in June 2008," Mr Stanhope said. "We have supported Indigenous students by funding literacy and numeracy support for 'at risk' children and provided greater support for high-performing students.

"The ACT Labor Government has also pledged \$10.8 million for an Indigenous-specific drug and alcohol rehabilitation service, now in the final design phase.

"A re-elected ACT Labor Government would build on these achievements with more targeted assistance for Indigenous grandparents, teachers, trainees and rising leaders to support the next generation of ACT's Indigenous leaders.

Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Wednesday, 17 September 2008 1:29 PM
To: Weir, Brian; Lasek, Jeremy
Cc: Ryan, Shaun; Friend, Stuart; Eggerking, Ellie; Smithies, Megan
Subject: RE: Urgent Information Requested

Brian
Total cost for 25 CFU's is \$1.234m comprising \$0.631m over four years recurrent and \$0.603m in capital

Total cost for 50 CFU's is \$2.480m comprising \$1.275m over four years recurrent and \$1.205m in capital

Neil

-----Original Message-----

From: Eggerking, Ellie
Sent: Wednesday, 17 September 2008 10:59 AM
To: Bulless, Neil; Ryan, Shaun
Cc: Smithies, Megan
Subject: Urgent Information Requested
Importance: High

Hi Neil

As discussed, the CM would like some urgent costings on the provision of additional Community Fire Units. Please provide costings for 25 additional Units and 50 additional Units, indexed over the next 4 years. The attached from JaCS may provide some assistance.

When finalised, would you please email the info directly to Jeremy Lasek and Brian Weir and provide me with a cc.

Thanks
Ellie

-----Original Message-----

From: ellie [mailto:ellie.eggerking@act.gov.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 17 September 2008 1:43 PM
To: Eggerking, Ellie
Subject:

This E-mail was sent from "RNP99B7AF" (Aficio 3045).

Scan Date: 17.09.2008 11:43:03 (+0800)

Bulless, Neil

From: Wurf, Jess
Sent: Wednesday, 17 September 2008 11:37 AM
To: Bulless, Neil; Smithies, Megan
Cc: /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=CMD/CN=BRIAN_WEIR; Pulford, Nikki; Layland, Penelope
Subject: Civic upgrade

Hi Neil,

On Monday the Chief Minister announced \$2 million per year for five years to upgrade the CBD (Canberra Times - Tuesday 16 Sept). Please note this funding had been previously announced / committed as part of the Infrastructure Fund and is not an ALP election policy commitment.

I understand you are keeping a tally of election commitments and wanted to ensure this announcement was not added to the list.

Let me know if I should forward this email to anyone else?

Jess Wurf
Media Advisor to
Jon Stanhope MLA
Chief Minister

T. 02 6205 0504

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Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Thursday, 18 September 2008 10:32 AM
To: Friend, Stuart; Bain, Glenn; Hays, Tony
Cc: Guthrie, Marsha; Lim, Phang-Chun; Jones, ChrisD (DT); Bird, Bill
Subject: FW: MEDIA REQUEST
Attachments: AMP policy driver education.doc; AMP policy driver reward.doc; AMP policy elderly drivers.doc; AMP policy Green vehicles.doc; AMP policy registration fees.doc; AMP policy Road Infrastructure.doc; AMP policy school zones.doc; AMP policy traffic infringement revenue.doc

Guys
Pls action – need quick turnaround from TAMS too pls
ta

From: Weir, Brian
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2008 10:28 AM
To: Bulless, Neil
Subject: FW: MEDIA REQUEST

Hi Neil
Can you start a new 'Australian Motorist Party' Tally Sheet, incorporate these items and check the costings pls?

Happy to discuss further
Thanks

Brian

Brian Weir
Senior Adviser
Office of the Chief Minister
GPO Box 1020 Canberra City 2601
Tel 02 6205 2775

brian.weir@act.gov.au

From: Lasek, Jeremy
Sent: Wednesday, 17 September 2008 3:37 PM
To: Weir, Brian; Gosling, Geoffrey; Mallett, Jim; Fischer, Kim
Cc: Wurf, Jess; Layland, Penelope; Hummel, Gabrielle
Subject: FW: MEDIA REQUEST

Dear all
See Motorists Party policies attached.
Geoff, can your office pls formulate responses to each of these in case you/Chief Minister are asked.
The Chief and Katy are doing leaders debate tomorrow and we need to give them sufficient time to have a response against each of these policies
Brian, can you ask Treasury to check these re costings.

9.

Thank you all

Jeremy Lasek
A/g Chief of Staff
Office of the ACT Chief Minister

Ph: 6205 0511

From: Wurf, Jess
Sent: Wednesday, 17 September 2008 3:25 PM
To: Lasek, Jeremy
Subject: MEDIA REQUEST

We have been asked to respond to the Motorist Party's policy.

ie their commitments to

fund 20 mini buses providing free travel for over 65s (not we already fund six free on-demand mini-buses for all seniors and people with limited mobility)
provide free driver education for students in year 7
give new license holders \$500 for completing a 12 month period without incurring a traffic infringement.
decrease rego so it's in line with NSW
install flashing lights around school zones
use traffic infringement revenue to fund their policies

Can you please coordinate a response. Not sure if it should come from us or Hargreaves.

Jess Wurf
Media Advisor to
Jon Stanhope MLA
Chief Minister

T. 02 6205 0504

E. jess.wurf@act.gov.au

From: Natasha M. Rudra [<mailto:natasha.rudra@canberratimes.com.au>]
Sent: Wednesday, 17 September 2008 3:18 PM
To: Wurf, Jess
Subject: Fw: Australian Motorist Party - Policy announcements

Natasha Rudra
Reporter
The Canberra Times
02-6247-3867

-----Original Message-----

From: "Australian Motorist Party" <info@amp.org.au>

Sent 9/17/2008 10:44:38 AM

To: "Win Television" <cannews@winns.com.au>, "Ten Television" <reception@scbnetwork.com.au>, "Radio FM 104.7 / 106.3" <news@canberra.com.au>, "Radio 2CC Mike Welsh" <welsh@capitalradio.net.au>, "Radio 2CC Mike Jeffreys" <jeffreys@capitalradio.net.au>, "Radio 2CC / 2CA News" <ccnews@capitalradio.net.au>, "Prime Television" <news@primetv.com.au>, "Natasha Rudra" <natasha.rudra@canberratimes.com.au>, "Natalie Forrest" <natalie.forrest@primetv.com.au>, "Megan Doherty" <megan.doherty@canberratimes.com.au>, "Joel Crean" <Joel.Crean@macsc.com.au>, "Emily Sherlock" <emily.sherlock@canberratimes.com.au>, "Dorothy Jauncey" <dorothy.jauncey@gmail.com>, "David Stockman" <david.stockman@canberratimes.com.au>, "David McLennan" <david.mclennan@canberratimes.com.au>, "cos" <cos@canberratimes.com.au>, "City News" <ed@citynews.com.au>, "Chronicle" <news@chronicle.com.au>, "Canberra Times" <media.release@canberratimes.com.au>, "ABC TV / Radio News" <act.news@abc.net.au>, "ABC Michael Donaldson" <donaldson.michael@abc.net.au>, "ABC Julie Doyle" <doyle.julie@abc.net.au>

Subject: Australian Motorist Party - Policy announcements

AMP Policy Announcements

Today at 9:00am at the Legislative Assembly building in Canberra, the AMP announced the attached policies.

For interview and further information please contact Ginninderra candidate Mr Denis Walford

Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Thursday, 18 September 2008 11:06 AM
To: Friend, Stuart; Lim, Phang-Chun; Bird, Bill
Cc: Guthrie, Marsha
Subject: FW: Liberal policy commitment

Importance: High

Pls note request for daily updates. Phang - pls move the Civic one per below ta

-----Original Message-----

From: Weir, Brian
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2008 10:55 AM
To: Bulless, Neil; Jonceski, Jasmina
Cc: Lasek, Jeremy; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: RE: Liberal policy commitment

To yes pls;

I think it will be wise to have daily updates of each Tally Sheet from now on.

Could this be arranged, for delivery to Jeremy and I each day say mid morning?

Brian Weir
 Senior Adviser
 Office of the Chief Minister
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From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Thursday, 18 September 2008 10:23 AM
To: Weir, Brian; Jonceski, Jasmina
Cc: Lasek, Jeremy; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: RE: Liberal policy commitment

Hi Brian
 Its already there - do you want us to move it down from Policy Announcements to Election Commitments?
 Neil

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Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2008 10:17 AM
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Subject: Liberal policy commitment

Thanks Jas

Neil - for addition to the costing sheet pls

Thanks

Brian

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Subject: RE:

Brian

Note, the reopening of the Civic Shopfront is now a commitment - it's in their consultation policy commitment document

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From: Weir, Brian
Sent: Wednesday, 17 September 2008 12:14 PM
To: Lasek, Jeremy; Layland, Penelope; Hummel, Gabrielle; Breynard, Shane; Jonceski, Jasmina; Wurf, Jess; Davis, IanJ (LA)
Subject: FW:

Spendometer data

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To: Bulless, Neil; Smithies, Megan
Cc: /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=CMD/CN=BRIAN_WEIR
Subject: Ageing release - for review
Attachments: Ageing.doc

Hi Neil

I would appreciate if you could review the figures in the attached release. A response sometime tomorrow would be great.

Cheers
Jess

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ACT Labor invests in a city for all ages

A re-elected ACT Labor Government would invest in a city for all ages by funding a new Tuggeranong Seniors Club, providing more support for Indigenous grandparents and exploring options to increase affordable aged care accommodation.

Chief Minister and Minister for the Ageing announced ACT Labor's election policy on ageing today at..?

"A re-elected ACT Labor Government will invest in a city that extends to every Canberran the opportunity to be fully engaged in the life of the community, whatever their age, whatever their capacity.

"In recognition of the contribution of Clubs to the richness of our community life we will invest \$1.6 million in a permanent home for the Tuggeranong 55+ Club - the only Seniors Club currently without a permanent clubhouse.

"A priority list for future capital works for other Seniors Clubs will be developed to ensure that our Clubs continue to serve the needs of their growing memberships, and that these investments are fairly scheduled."

Mr Stanhope said a re-elected Labor Government would build on its nation-leading Housing Affordability Action Plan, with 62 actions to address affordability, by exploring affordable accommodation options for older Canberrans — especially those on modest incomes.

"We will explore, report on and implement, in collaboration with industry and the community, innovative options for providing affordable and appropriate accommodation for our ageing population, including 'virtual villages', group houses, and other options for ageing in the community.

"A re-elected Labor Government will also explore avenues for legislating to protect the financial and other rights of Canberrans purchasing homes in retirement villages, including the rights of those who seek to leave such villages."

Other ACT Labor announcements include \$120,000 to support Indigenous grandparents, in particular grandmothers who are primary carers for their grandchildren, and \$60,000 over three years to preserve a selection of oral stories of Canberra Gold recipients.

"Thousands of Canberrans who have devoted more than 50 years of their lives to the national capital have been recognised through the Canberra Gold Awards," Mr Stanhope said. "By preserving these stories we can create a lasting repository of Canberra's early decades, for future generations of Canberrans to treasure."

Mr Stanhope said he was proud of the ACT Labor Government's record in building a city for all ages.

"The ACT Labor Government has invested \$10 million a year in a 48-bed dedicated unit for older patients at Calvary Public," Mr Stanhope said. "We have released land for 900 aged-care beds and overseen the delivery of more than 400 beds, with another 280 scheduled to open in 2009. The delivery of these beds has been revolutionised through the creation of a bank of development-ready land and case management of developments.

"We have introduced grandparental leave for ACT Public Servants and improved transport options for older Canberrans – over 75s travel for free on ACTION buses and seniors with limited mobility are using our six on-demand community mini-buses.

"A re-elected ACT Labor Government would continue our recording in building a city for all ages by funding a new Tuggeranong Seniors Club, providing more support for Indigenous grandparents and exploring options to increase affordable aged care accommodation."

Bulless, Neil

From: Wurf, Jess
Sent: Thursday, 18 September 2008 3:04 PM
To: Bulless, Neil
Subject: RE: ACTION prerulease media release 08.doc

Thanks Neil

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Cc: Weir, Brian; Smithies, Megan
Subject: RE: ACTION prerulease media release 08.doc
Importance: High

Hi Jess
As discussed release is ok. For the figure of the Govt's investment in ACTION we'd use \$243m (which includes recurrent and capital funding) from 2002-03 to the last fwd estimate yr in the current budget ie 2011-12.

From: Wurf, Jess
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2008 10:55 AM
To: Bulless, Neil
Cc: Weir, Brian
Subject: FW: ACTION prerulease media release 08.doc

Hi Neil,
I would appreciate if you could check / clear the figures in the attached media release.

Many thanks
Jess

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LABOR COMMITS TO MORE BUSES, GOING YOUR WAY

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will invest an additional \$10 million to improve the ACTION bus service in Canberra, Minister for Territory and Municipal Services John Hargreaves announced today.

"ACT Labor is committed to providing an effective, efficient and reliable public transport system for the Canberra community," said Mr Hargreaves.

The new measures will increase frequency of services, provide more bus-stop seats and shelters as well as create dedicated bus routes around the City for workers and tourists.

"Since the introduction of *Network 08* in June this year, there has been a sharp increase in demand for public transport," Mr Hargreaves said.

"And ACT Labor is responding by providing funding to make the ACTION bus service even better for commuters," he said.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will commit to more bus services, not only during peak periods but also for travel throughout the day for seniors, students and others in the community.

"\$7.46 million dollars over four years will be spent to boost frequency of services in suburbs of high demand.

"In addition, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will provide a high-frequency bus route for workers around the Parliamentary Triangle, to help people move between the City, Barton and Russell for work, personal or recreational reasons during the day.

"This \$1.5m initiative will provide high-frequency weekday service, operating every 15 minutes in peak times and at lunch times, to make it easier for workers to travel during the day.

"ACT Labor will also commission a free tourist bus service that will travel between all major tourist attractions for visitors to our city, including the National Museum of Australia, the City, the Australian War Museum, the Carillon, Parliament House, the National Gallery and Portrait Gallery, High Court, Old Parliament House, Questacon, and the National Library.

"Because of the significant investment ACT Labor has made in the tourism industry, tourist numbers are rapidly increasing. This service, which will operate 364 days a year, at a cost of \$900,000 over four years, will encourage tourists to see more of our wonderful city and spend more time at our national attractions and commercial centres."

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will also invest \$140,000 to upgrade seats and shelters at bus stops in the ACT to further improve the public transport service.

Recent surveys have shown that almost half of all Canberrans caught a bus in the last 12 months, and expressed a high level of satisfaction with the ACTION bus service," said Mr Hargreaves.

This \$10 million increase in funding is over and above the \$132 million which ACT Labor has already delivered to improve ACTION bus services.

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Further details of ACT Labor's Transport Policy will be released during the 2008 Election Campaign.

STATEMENT ENDS

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- Kim Fischer (Minister Hargreaves' office)

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From: O'Dea, Danny
Sent: Friday, 19 September 2008 3:12 PM
To: Scrivener, Sharon
Cc: Pulford, Nikki; Ahmed, Khalid; Smithies, Megan
Subject: FW:
Attachments: 20080919150652788.pdf

Sharon,

Khalid requested I forward the following material through to you.

Danny

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Cc: Smithies, Megan; Guthrie, Marsha
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Importance: High

Brian
As requested - updated with your changes from yesterday, late changes today and indexation and depreciation estimates

Neil

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Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Friday, 19 September 2008 4:01 PM
To: Guthrie, Marsha; Friend, Stuart; Bird, Bill; Jones, ChrisD (DT)
Subject: FW: For costing

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Zed Seselja MLA

Media Release

\$1 MILLION FOR AUTISM SUPPORT

Opposition Leader Zed Seselja today announced funding for Autism Asperger ACT Inc. to enable it to increase support and assessment.

‘Autism Asperger ACT Inc is supported by motivated and passionate Canberrans who have a strong understanding of the specialised needs of families who are trying to deal with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD).’

‘Members of the ASD community have demonstrated with limited funds how to deliver consistent programs for each child with ASD across a range of settings such as home, school, respite, childcare, after-school care and community activities. Autism associations are more closely involved in service delivery in other states such as New South Wales and South Australia.

The Canberra community needs a strong autism association, to effectively develop policy and to oversight the quality and adequacy of service delivery. A Canberra Liberal Government will involve the ASD community in design and delivery of services, in contrast to the Stanhope Government which has failed to involve them.

We have seen in a number of policy areas, like community housing and employment service delivery, that non-government providers can play a very effective role in delivery of services to needy constituent groups.

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“In the first four years of a Canberra Liberal Government, we will provide \$1 million in new funding to Autism ACT. In addition a portion of existing funding for service delivery will be transferred to oversight and management by Autism ACT. The new funding will help support a resource centre including a library, computers and therapy rooms that are appropriately resourced and designed.

18th September 2008

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Subject: FW: Libs' tourism policy

From: Weir, Brian
Sent: Friday, September 19, 2008 5:07 PM
To: Bulless, Neil
Cc: Lasek, Jeremy; Hummel, Gabrielle; Huetter, Pierre
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Neil

on Liberal tourism policy announcement today from Min Barr's office.

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Subject: RE: Libs' tourism policy

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Pierre

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From: Weir, Brian
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To: Bulless, Neil
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Subject: Libs' tourism policy

Hi Neil

Amendment to timing of the proposed biennale

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ABC 666 they reported the art bienale as every two years

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From: Weir, Brian
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Thanks Pierre

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+ I'll pass on to CM for information

Cheers

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Neil
See below;
+ now goes the Lib policy costing update for today??

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Demographics	
Male 16+	3600
Female 16+	7500
All People	11100
ABs	3200
GBs	8300

Interview with **Vicki Dunne**, ACT Opposition Spokesperson for the Environment, to discuss the **Canberra** Liberals promise to implement a third recycling bin in which people can place their kitchen scraps and small garden waste which will be collected on a weekly basis. **Dunne** advises the costs will approximate \$5 million per annum to operate with initial set up costs of \$38 million, she advises the costs have been derived from known costs of garbage collection at present. **Dunne** states this will solve a host of issues currently being faced by many **Canberra** residents along with reducing the amount which is going into landfill and will also reduce the methane levels being produced at present.

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Interviewees: **Vicki Dunne**, ACT Opposition Spokesperson for the Environment,

Mentions: John Hargreaves, ACT Minister for TAMS; Jon Stanhope, ACT Chief Minister


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Lib sheet updated with Tourism, green bins and Home insulation regards Neil

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Liberal Party Tally Sheet

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGG Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	61,627	54,424
Proposed Additional Expenditure				
Policy announcements				
<i>Health</i>				
Reduce hospital waiting times	-2,500	-5,286	-5,601	-5,932
Mental Health at 11% of the Health Budget	-16,656	-35,214	-37,313	-39,518
Additional 100 acute care beds	-28,287	-59,804	-63,369	-67,114
<i>ESA</i>				
Separate Rural Fire Service from ACT Fire Brigade	-98	-200	-205	-210
Restore to full independence	-1,656	-3,311	-3,394	-3,479
<i>Business</i>				
Restore Business ACT Funding	-3,000	-4,700	-5,860	-5,996
New Business Initiative	-82	-180	-185	-189
<i>Police</i>				
Additional 12 Police Officers	-745	-1,548	-1,605	-1,665
<i>Tourism</i>				
Reinstate the Tourism Budget	0	0	0	0
<i>Water</i>				
Maintenance costs			-10,000	-10,250
Total Policy Announcements	-53,024	-110,243	-127,522	-134,364
Election commitments				
<i>Schools</i>				
Reverse the school closures	-4,297	-2,813	-2,817	-2,679
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes	-922	-3,080	-6,183	-10,181
More high school teachers	-419	-1,307	-2,492	-3,298
Teacher training for mature age subject specialists	-200	-373	-780	-800
Graduate scholarship	0	-80	-160	-240
Professional support for teachers			-125	-577
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Infrastructure Canberra Commissioner	-400	-1,200	-1,500	-1,600
Infrastructure Canberra Public Works Committee	-80	-160	-165	-160
Griffith Library	-266	-1,597	-1,619	-1,652
<i>Health</i>				
Bulk billings GP for the suburbs (West Belconnen and Lanyon)	-300	0	0	0
Three GP Clinics		-7,151	-6,895	-7,149
GPs for Canberra Fund		-2,250	-2,250	
Young GP entrepreneurs fund	-2430	-1,626	-169	-213
Dental Care for Seniors	-208	-498	-511	-524
Transport for Seniors		-100		
<i>Governance</i>				
Proper funding for AG (New Way of Listening)	-56	-105	-108	-111
Draft budget process (New Way of Listening)	-80	-82	-84	-86
State of Territory (New Way of Listening)	-50	-30	-35	-40
State of Environment (New Way of Listening)	-30	-31	-32	-32
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)		-380	-410	-440
<i>Planning</i>				
Unclogging the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Housing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation (Quality of Life policy)	0	-257	-248	-258
Identify multi-unit properties for older residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Disability</i>				
Funding of Autism Asperger	0	-236	-245	-254
Complaints Commissioner		0	0	0
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
The 2010 Canberra Art Biennale		-500	-500	
Establish "Canberra Tourism"	-250	-515	-530	-546
Green Waste			-8,266	-8,638
Home Insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home Insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
Total Election Commitments	-11,526	-28,275	-40,322	-44,039
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-64,430	-137,318	-168,088	-168,215
Proposed Loss In Revenue				
Policy announcements - Removal/reduction in Fees/Rates/Taxes				
<i>General Rates</i>				
Utilities Network Facility Tax		-115	-178	-244
Ambulance Levy on Health Funds	-2,172	-4,625	-4,706	-4,894
Ambulance transport fee	-312	-650	-676	-703
Ambulance Transport Collection Costs	-52	-108	-112	-117
False Alarm fee	-144	-300	-312	-324
Water Abstraction Charge	-9,877	-22,822	-22,876	-23,368
Indexation of fees and charges		-29	-59	-91
Development Application fees	-835	-1,270	-1,321	-1,374
Land tax		-2,120	-2,205	-2,283
Free essential staff parking **		-2,479	-2,578	-2,681
Parking fees	-800	-1,621	-1,686	-1,753
City Centre Marketing and Improvements Levy		-1,447	-1,505	-1,565
<i>Election commitments</i>				
No Stamp Duty Policy (for First Home Buyer)	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Total Proposed Loss In Revenue	-35,267	-86,171	-89,214	-92,793

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Liberal Party Tally Sheet

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Proposed Savings				
Arboretum		820	841	862
<i>Total Proposed Savings</i>	0	820	841	862
Total Recurrent Impact	-99,697	-222,670	-246,462	-280,147
GGs Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	-25,920	-174,633	-194,935	-205,723

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Final costings are also dependant on date of commencement

Liberal Party Tally Sheet

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
	\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
	\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s
Proposed Capital Projects				
Policy Announcements				
Dragway		-9,190		
Dam at Tennent		-250,000		
Installation of Public Toilets at Campbell Park		-150		
Election commitments				
Smaller School Classes	-2200	-2,200	-2,750	-2,750
Protecting Government School	-3,336			
Duplication of GDE		-23,500	-31,000	-30,000
GP clinics	-5,900			
Griffith Library	-3,900			
Commonwealth Park Upgrade		-10,000		
Green Waste			-7,800	
Total Proposed Capital Projects	-15,336	-295,040	-41,550	-32,750

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Friend, Stuart

From: Smithies, Megan
Sent: Monday, 22 September 2008 5:07 PM
To: Ahmed, Khalid; Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Friend, Stuart
Subject: RE: Liberal tourism - Andrew Barr Query

Khalid/Danny - thanks

Nik - pls send on.

Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Ahmed, Khalid
Sent: Monday, 22 September 2008 4:36 PM
To: Smithies, Megan
Cc: Friend, Stuart
Subject: FW: Liberal tourism - Andrew Barr Query

Megs

Please see response below.

Khalid

-----Original Message-----

From: O'Dea, Danny
Sent: Monday, 22 September 2008 3:49 PM
To: Ahmed, Khalid
Cc: Hill, Helen; Wright, Cora
Subject: RE: Liberal tourism - Andrew Barr Query

id,

Advice as requested.

Danny

Query 1: How much was saved in operating costs by transferring functions to TAMS?

Advice: In 2008-09 the saving is \$4.7 million in tourism costs. Of this \$0.7 million was for administration and \$4 million was in the rationalisation of staff and programs.

Query 2: Claim that the ACT Government spent \$22 million on tourism and promotion in 2003-04 and received \$107 million in indirect taxation revenue.

Advice: The only ACT Government revenue line that is likely to be directly affected by tourist expenditure is payroll tax. Total payroll tax revenue in 2003-04 was \$177 million and an upper bound of tourism's contribution is around 4 to 5 per cent or \$8 million - reflecting tourism's share of the ACT economy. However, in reality tourism's contribution to payroll tax revenue is likely to have been much less than \$8 million because a significant proportion of tourist expenditure relates to small businesses (eg cafes and restaurants) that are below the payroll tax threshold of \$1.25 million payroll (the threshold is now \$1.5 million).

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For every dollar spent by a tourist in the ACT there is a flow on effect. For example, if a tourist purchases a meal in a Canberra restaurant, in addition to the meal supplied by the restaurant, any local businesses that supply the restaurant are also likely to increase their output.

While tourism is undoubtedly an important part of the ACT economy, both the direct economic effect of tourism expenditure in the ACT and the so-called "economic multiplier effect" are often overstated.

A common mistake is to assume that an extra dollar spent in the ACT results in an extra dollar of "value added" by the ACT economy – that is to say, it is a common mistake to assume that it adds an extra dollar to the ACT's Gross State Product (GSP).

This is a mistake because it does not take account of imports into the ACT. In the restaurant example, the ingredients of the restaurant meal are likely to be imported into the ACT. Another example is a tourist's expenditure on petrol in the ACT, with the value added by the ACT economy being only a fraction of the value of a tank of petrol.

While public funds devoted to tourism may have some multiplier effect, those public funds would also have effects, or benefits, if spent on other purposes (for example, health).

-----Original Message-----

From: Ahmed, Khalid
Sent: Monday, 22 September 2008 1:19 PM
To: O'Dea, Danny; Hill, Helen
Subject: FW: Liberal tourism - Andrew Barr Query

Advice please

-----Original Message-----

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Monday, 22 September 2008 10:45 AM
To: Ahmed, Khalid; Bulless, Neil; Dowell, Graeme
Cc: Smithies, Megan
Subject: Liberal tourism - Andrew Barr Query

Hi All

Andrew Barr is asking whether we would be able to shed light on the attached.

Could you please take a look and let me know.

Graeme on the taxation revenue side and Neil/Khalid on the costs involved in creating Tourism statutory authority.

Thanks

Nikki

-----Original Message-----

From: nikki [<mailto:nikki.pulford@act.gov.au>]
Sent: Monday, 22 September 2008 1:29 PM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Subject:

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This E-mail was sent from "RNP99B7AF" (Aficio 3045):

Scan Date: 22.09.2008 11:29:08 (+0800)

Thompson, Kirsten

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 23 September 2008 8:58 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Smithies, Megan
Subject: Liberal tally sheet as at 22 Sept.xls
Attachments: Liberal tally sheet as at 22 Sept.xls

Nikki
as requested
Neil

PS I'll be at an internal audit mtg between 10:30 and noon if you need me

Liberal Party Tally Sheet

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGs Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424
Proposed Additional Expenditure				
Policy announcements				
<i>Health</i>				
Reduce hospital waiting times	-2,500	-5,286	-5,601	-5,932
Mental Health at 11% of the Health Budget	-16,656	-35,214	-37,313	-39,518
Additional 100 acute care beds	-28,287	-59,804	-63,369	-67,114
<i>ESA</i>				
Separate Rural Fire Service from ACT Fire Brigade	-98	-200	-205	-210
Restore to full Independence	-1,656	-3,311	-3,394	-3,479
<i>Business</i>				
Restore Business ACT Funding	-3,000	-4,700	-5,850	-5,996
New Business Initiative	-82	-180	-185	-189
<i>Police</i>				
Additional 12 Police Officers	-745	-1,548	-1,605	-1,665
<i>Tourism</i>				
Reinstate the Tourism Budget	0	0	0	0
<i>Water</i>				
Maintenance costs			-10,000	-10,250
Total Policy Announcements	-53,024	-110,243	-127,522	-134,354
Election commitments				
<i>Schools</i>				
Reverse the school closures	-4,297	-2,813	-2,617	-2,679
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes	-922	-3,080	-6,183	-10,181
More high school teachers	-419	-1,307	-2,492	-3,298
Teacher training for mature age subject specialists	-200	-373	-780	-800
Graduate scholarship	0	-80	-160	-240
Professional support for teachers			-125	-577
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Infrastructure Canberra Commissioner	-400	-1,200	-1,500	-1,600
Infrastructure Canberra Public Works Committee	-80	-150	-155	-160
Griffith Library	-256	-1,597	-1,619	-1,652
<i>Health</i>				
Bulk billings GP for the suburbs (West Belconnen and Lanyon)	-300	0	0	0
Three GP Clinics		-7,151	-6,895	-7,149
GPs for Canberra Fund		-2,250	-2,250	
Young GP entrepreneurs fund	-2340	-1,626	-169	-213
Dental Care for Seniors	-208	-498	-511	-524
Transport for Seniors		-100		
<i>Governance</i>				
Proper funding for AG (New Way of Listening)	-56	-105	-108	-111
Draft budget process (New Way of Listening)	-80	-82	-84	-86
State of Territory (New Way of Listening)	-50	-30	-35	-40
State of Environment (New Way of Listening)	-30	-31	-32	-32
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)		-380	-410	-440
<i>Planning</i>				
Unclogging the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Housing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation (Quality of Life policy)	0	-257	-248	-258
Identify multi-unit properties for older residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Disability</i>				
Funding of Autism Asperger		-236	-245	-254
Complaints Commissioner	0	0	0	0
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
The 2010 Canberra Art Biennale		-500	-500	
Establish "Canberra Tourism"	-250	-515	-530	-546
Green Waste			-8,266	-8,638
Home Insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home Insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
Total Election Commitments	-11,436	-28,275	-40,322	-44,039
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-64,340	-137,318	-168,088	-168,215
Proposed Loss in Revenue				
Policy announcements - Removal/reduction in Fees/Rates/Taxes				
<i>General Rates</i>				
Utilities Network-Facility Tax		-16,810	-17,230	-17,661
Ambulance Levy on Health Funds	-2,172	-4,525	-4,706	-4,894
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Liberal Party Tally Sheet

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Policy Announcements				
Dragway		-9,190		
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Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 23 September 2008 6:47 PM
To: Wurf, Jess
Cc: Smithies, Megan; Pulford, Nikki; Friend, Stuart
Subject: Tally sheet
Attachments: Liberal Tally Sheet - 23 Sept.xls

Jess

As discussed here is the Liberal sheet provided to Nikki this afternoon. Pls note that it differs from Nikki's version due to updated figures from TAMS late today for the 'Reopen Civic Shopfront' policy (recurrent and capital).

Stuart is working on the Labor tally sheet health numbers, but this will be a tomorrow thing.

Neil

Liberal Party Tally Sheet

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Reinstate the Tourism Budget	0	0	0	0
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State of Territory (New Way of Listening)	-50	-30	-35	-40
State of Environment (New Way of Listening)	-30	-31	-32	-32
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)		-1,405	-1,331	-1,378
<i>Planning</i>				
Unclogging the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Housing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation (Quality of Life policy)	0	-246	-235	-245
Identify multi-unit properties for older residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Disability</i>				
Funding of Autism Asperger		-228	-243	-257
Complaints Commissioner	0	0	0	0
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
The 2010 Canberra Art Biennale		-500	-500	
Establish "Canberra Tourism"	-250	-515	-530	-546
Green Waste			-8,266	-8,638
Home Insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home Insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
Total Election Commitments	-11,352	-29,217	-42,677	-47,808
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-64,266	-138,260	-160,443	-161,734
Proposed Loss in Revenue				
Policy announcements - Removal/reduction in Fees/Rates/Taxes				
<i>General Rates</i>				
Utilities Network Facility Tax		-115	-178	-244
Ambulance Levy on Health Funds		-16,810	-17,230	-17,661
Ambulance transport fee	-2,172	-4,525	-4,706	-4,894
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City Centre Marketing and Improvements Levy		-1,447	-1,605	-1,565
Total Policy Announcements	-13,992	-54,295	-55,443	-57,069
Election commitments				
No Stamp Duty Policy (for First Home Buyer)	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue	-35,267	-86,171	-89,214	-92,793
Proposed Savings				
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GGG Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	-25,746	-175,575	-187,290	-199,242

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Liberal Party Tally Sheet

2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s

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Liberal Party Tally Sheet

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Proposed Capital Projects				
Policy Announcements				
Dragway		-9,190		
Installation of Public Toilets at Campbell Park		-150		
Election commitments				
Smaller School Classes		-935	-963	-992
Protecting Government School	-3,336			
Duplication of GDE		-23,500	-31,000	-30,000
Capital Works provision		23,500	31,000	30,000
GP clinics	-5,900			
Griffith Library	-3,900			
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)		-1,025		
Commonwealth Park Upgrade		-10,000		
Green Waste			-7,800	
Total Proposed Capital Projects	-13,136	-21,300	-8,763	-992

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Thompson, Kirsten

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 23 September 2008 7:49 PM
To: Wurf, Jess
Cc: Smithies, Megan; Layland, Penelope; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: Labor Tally Sheet as at 23 Sept.xls
Attachments: Labor Tally Sheet as at 23 Sept.xls

Jess
as discussed
Neil

Labor Party Tally Sheet

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
BS Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-Election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424
Proposed Additional Expenditure				
Election Commitment				
Jackson and Kingston Master Plans	0	-220		
Support for Valley FM89.5	0	-15	-15	-15
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors			-36	-36
1m for gifted and talented students (support parents)	0	-62	-31	-32 \$33K In 2012-13
1m for gifted and talented students (provision for GATS)	0	-85	-86	-87 \$88K In 2012-13
1m for gifted and talented students (identifying students)	0	-116	-119	-122 \$125K In 2012-13
Migrant Resource Centre		-50	-50	-50
Free Mammography service		-423	-440	-457 \$475K In 2012-13
Centre for Adolescent Health		-150		
Emergency relief to offset rising fuel prices	-3,500			
Major autumn event		-1,250	-1,250	-1,250 \$1,250K In 2012-13
2m Childhood Obesity Advertising Campaign	0	0	0	0
800,000 for Smart Start Program	0	-200	-200	-200 \$200K In 2012-13
300,000 for Children's Activity Foundation	0	-300	0	0 \$75K In 2012-13
Increased funding for the ACT Community Languages Grant program		-25	-25	-25
Improve Migrant Transitional Housing		-100	-100	-100 \$100K In 2012-13
Multicultural Youth Services Program		-25	-25	-25 \$25K In 2012-13
Emergency Services - Community Fire Units		-48	-118	-142 \$144k In 2012-13 (including depreciation)
Grants for School Parent Groups	-2,087			
Indigenous Teachers & Teacher's Assistants attraction scheme		-160	-168	-177 \$181k In 2012-13
Grandparenting - Primary Care		-39	-40	-41 \$42k In 2012-13
Indigenous Public Service Traineeships Program		-29	-30	-31
Indigenous Leadership Grants Program		-78	-80	-82 \$84K In 2012-13
Independent Facilitator for Elected Indigenous Body		-50	-51	-53 \$55K In 2012-13
Gunawal Genealogy Project		-75	-75	
Lower Teachers Lower Class Sizes		-3,087	-6,379	-6,836 \$6,998K In 2012-13 (including depreciation of \$300K)
Administrative Support		-397	-413	-423 \$434k In 2012-13
Learning In ACT Schools		-107	-111	-114 \$117k In 2012-13
Landscaping at schools			-122	-176 \$289K In 2012-13
Marion High Schools				-300
Additional IT - Public Schools		-94	-344	-563 Depreciation expense
Additional IT - Non Government Schools		-1,500	-1,000	Grant funding
SPIRE Centre			-472	-917 \$959k In 2012-13
Cluster Literacy and Numeracy Experts		-1,986	-2,035	-2,085 \$2,137 In 2012-13
English as a Second Language		-428	-883	-905 \$928k In 2012-13
National Capital Literacy and Learning Centre		-117	-120	-123 \$126k In 2012-13
Support for ACT Ethnic Schools		-20	-21	-21
Increased Links to Foreign Embassies		-30	-31	-32 \$32k In 2012-13
College and High School Innovation Fund		-550	-250	
SBAs in Schools		-350	-359	-368 \$377k In 2012-13
Quality Funds for Disability, Literacy and Numeracy		-1,000	-1,025	-1,051 \$1,077k In 2012-13
Grant for Bus Services		-2,321	-2,414	-2,519 \$2,611k In 2012-13
Grant for motorsport	0	0		\$8m from existing approp
Grant to assist elite local sporting teams participating in national league competitions		-150	-160	-170 \$180k In 2012-13
Additional support for the Brumbies	-265			
\$200,000 to begin design work for a swimming pool in Molonglo				\$200k In 2012-13
\$25,000 in assistance for young Canberrans to complete an Australian School Based Apprenticeship in the sport and recreation industry		-53	-55	-57 \$60k In 2012-13
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-5,852	-15,690	-19,133	-19,585
Proposed Loss in Revenue				
Total Proposed Loss In Revenue	0	0	0	0
Proposed Savings				
Total Proposed Savings	0	0	0	0
Total Recurrent Impact	-5,852	-15,690	-19,133	-19,585
BS Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	67,925	32,347	32,394	34,839

Note: Health initiatives have yet to be reflected in this document.

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Proposed Capital Projects				
Election Commitment				
Langahlin Pool Complex	0	-1,000	-9,000	-10,000
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors	-190	-1,400		
Free Mammography service		-285		
Mar Power Plant			0	0
Emergency Services - Community Fire Units		-143	-146	
Landscaping at schools			-1,500	-3,500
Marion High School		-15,600	-15,600	
Nberrra College Performing Arts Theatre		-500	-1,500	-3,000
Additional IT - Public Schools		-1,500	-2,500	-1,000
SPIRE Centre			-100	-104 \$108k In 2012-13
Lower Teachers Lower Class Sizes			-6,000	
Grant for Bus Services (Bus seats/stops)		-140		
\$5 million to redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields		-2,000		
\$5 million to Redevelop ACT Tennis Centre and to fund additional road and Infrastructure works in Lyneham precinct, with a \$4m from existing provision		-4,500		
\$1 million to fund improvements to Griffith Oval		-1,000		
Estimated \$3 million to develop a new basketball stadium and player facilities.				-2,500

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3,000 to upgrade and expand the Woden Gymnastics Club
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English as a Second Language		-428	-883	-905 \$928k in 2012-13
National Capital Literacy and Learning Centre		-117	-120	-123 \$126k in 2012-13
Support for ACT Ethnic Schools		-20	-21	-21
Increased Links to Foreign Embassies		-30	-31	-32 \$32k in 2012-13
College and High School Innovation Fund		-550	-250	
ASBAs in Schools		-350	-359	-368 \$377k in 2012-13
Equity Funds for Disability, Literacy and Numeracy		-1,000	-1,025	-1,051 \$1,077k in 2012-13
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Dickson and Kingston Master Plans	0	-220		
\$10m for Bus Services		-2,321	-2,414	-2,519 \$2,611k in 2012-13
<i>Sport and Rec</i>				
\$800,000 for Smart Start Program	0	-200	-200	-200 \$200K in 2012-13
\$300,000 for Children's Activity Foundation	0	-300	0	0 \$75K in 2012-13
\$8m for motorsport	0	0		\$8m from existing approp
To assist elite local sporting teams participating in national league competitions		-150	-160	-170 \$180k in 2012-13
Additional support for the Brumbies	-265			
\$200,000 to begin design work for a swimming pool in Molonglo				\$200k in 2012-13
\$225,000 in assistance for young Canberrans to complete an Australian School Based Apprenticeship in the sport and recreation industry		-53	-55	-57 \$60k in 2012-13
<i>Health</i>				
Supporting our GP workforce		-1,500	-2,517	-3,568 \$4653k in 2012-13
"walk-in health centres"		-481	-493	-505 \$518K in 2012-13
Chronic disease management - feasibility adult and young persons		-300		
Chronic disease management - obesity		-650	-667	-683
Meeting increased demand for services (cancer)		-1,000	-2,034	-3,102 \$4204K in 2012-13
Digital mammography		-1,278	-1,796	-1,858 \$1920K in 2012-13
Provision of a public mammography service		-453	-484	-515 \$547k in 2012-13
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Harrison High School			-1,500	
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre		-500	-1,500	-3,000

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More Teachers Lower Class Sizes		-6,000	
Infrastructure			
\$10m for Bus Services (Bus seats/stops)	-140		
Solar Power Plant			
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Sport and Rec			
Gungahlin Pool Complex	0	-1,000	-9,000
\$2 million to redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields		-2,000	
\$8.5 million to Redevelop ACT Tennis Centre and to fund additional road and infrastructure works in Lyneham precinct, with extra \$4m from existing provision		-4,500	
\$1 million to fund improvements to Griffith Oval		-1,000	
Invest \$3 million to develop a new basketball stadium and player amenities.		-500	-2,500
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Mental Health at 11% of the Health Budget	-16,856	-35,214	-37,313	-39,518
Additional 100 acute care beds	-28,287	-59,804	-63,369	-67,114
<i>ESA</i>				
Separate Rural Fire Service from ACT Fire Brigade	-98	-200	-205	-210
Restore to full independence	-1,656	-3,311	-3,394	-3,479
<i>Business</i>				
Restore Business ACT Funding	-3,000	-4,700	-5,850	-5,998
New Business Initiative	-82	-180	-185	-189
<i>Police</i>				
Additional 12 Police Officers	-745	-1,546	-1,605	-1,665
<i>Tourism</i>				
Reinstate the Tourism Budget	0	0	0	0
Total Policy Announcements	-53,024	-110,243	-117,622	-124,104
Election commitments				
<i>Schools</i>				
Reverse the school closures	-4,297	-2,813	-2,617	-2,679
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes	-838	-3,016	-7,632	-13,022
More high school teachers	-419	-1,307	-2,492	-3,298
Teacher training for mature age subject specialists	-200	-373	-780	-800
Graduate scholarship	0	-80	-160	-240
Professional support for teachers	0	0	-125	-577
Complaints Commissioner	0	0	0	0
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Infrastructure Canberra Commissioner	-400	-1,200	-1,500	-1,600
Infrastructure Canberra Public Works Committee	-80	-150	-155	-160
Griffith Library	-256	-1,597	-1,819	-1,652
<i>Health</i>				
Bulk billings GP for the suburbs (West Belconnen and Lanyon)	-300	0	0	0
Three GP Clinics		-7,151	-6,885	-7,149
GPs for Canberra Fund		-2,250	-2,250	
Young GP entrepreneurs fund	-2,340	-1,626	-169	-213
Dental Care for Seniors	-208	-498	-511	-524
Transport for Seniors		-100		
<i>Governance</i>				
Proper funding for AG (New Way of Listening)	-56	-105	-108	-111
Draft budget process (New Way of Listening)	-80	-82	-84	-86
State of Territory (New Way of Listening)	-50	-30	-35	-40
State of Environment (New Way of Listening)	-30	-31	-32	-32
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)		-1,405	-1,331	-1,378
<i>Planning</i>				
Unclopping the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Housing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation (Quality of Life policy)	0	-246	-235	-245
Identify multi-unit properties for older residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Disability</i>				
Funding of Autism Asperger		-228	-243	-257
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
The 2010 Canberra Art Biennale		-500	-500	
Establish "Canberra Tourism"	-250	-515	-530	-546
Green Waste			-8,266	-8,838
Home insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
Total Election Commitments	-11,352	-29,217	-42,677	-47,808
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-64,256	-138,260	-160,443	-161,734
Proposed Loss in Revenue				
Policy announcements - Removal/reduction in Fees/Rates/Taxes				
<i>General Rates</i>				
Utilities Network Facility Tax		-115	-178	-244
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Ambulance Levy on Health Funds	-2,172	-4,526	-4,706	-4,894
Ambulance transport fee	-312	-650	-678	-703
Ambulance Transport Collection Costs	-52	-108	-112	-117
False Alarm fee	-144	-300	-312	-324
Water Abstraction Charge	-9,877	-22,822	-22,876	-23,368
Indexation of fees and charges		-29	-59	-91
Development Application fees	-635	-1,270	-1,321	-1,374
Land tax		-2,120	-2,205	-2,293
Free essential staff parking **		-2,479	-2,578	-2,681
Parking fees	-800	-1,621	-1,686	-1,753
City Centre Marketing and Improvements Levy		-1,447	-1,505	-1,565
Total Policy Announcements	-13,992	-54,296	-55,443	-57,069
Election commitments				
No Stamp Duty Policy (for First Home Buyer)	-21,275	-31,676	-33,771	-35,724
Total Proposed Loss In Revenue	-35,267	-86,171	-89,214	-92,793
Proposed Savings				
<i>Arboretum</i>				
Arboretum		820	841	862
Total Proposed Savings	0	820	841	862
Total Recurrent Impact	-99,623	-223,612	-238,817	-263,666
GGs Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	-26,746	-175,575	-187,290	-199,242

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Policy Announcements				
Dragway		-9,190		
Installation of Public Toilets at Campbell Park		-150		
Election commitments				
Smaller School Classes		-935	-983	-992
Protecting Government School	-3,336			
Duplication of GDE		-23,500	-31,000	-30,000
Capital Works provision		23,500	31,000	30,000
GP clinics	-5,900			
Griffith Library	-3,900			
Commonwealth Park Upgrade		-10,000		
Green Waste			-7,800	
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)		-1,025		
Existing capital provision offset		21,300	6,763	992
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Subject: Greens Education Policy

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Follow up to media release from earlier today. Still has little detail, so may be hard to cost.

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Greens Ed Policy

EDUCATION

PRINCIPLES

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2. learning is a lifelong process fostered in both formal education and informal settings, from early childhood through adult life
3. everyone should have access to an education that meets their needs and aspirations and gives them the skills and capacity to participate in society
4. it is the responsibility of government to ensure the provision of high-quality, well-resourced and safe learning environments that are open to all students
5. a responsive and relevant education system is underpinned by community involvement and recognises that parents and guardians play a critical role in the education of their children.

GOALS

The ACT Greens want:

1. a vibrant and viable public education system that attains world-class standards of excellence and reflects the diversity of the broader community
2. all schools funding to be based on need, and allocated in a transparent and accountable manner
3. an end to the gap in academic achievement associated with students' socioeconomic status.

4. a public education system that encourages and supports the efforts of all students to reach their potential
5. to maintain and further develop of a high-quality professional teaching force to meet current and projected needs of the community
6. high-quality early childhood education in a range of settings
7. high school and college systems that engage with, and provide opportunities for, all young people to extend their knowledge and capabilities in ways that enrich their lives
8. a range of accessible programs offering new opportunities to adults at all stages of their life, including those re-entering the workforce and adjusting to changed circumstances
9. strong links between schools and their communities.

MEASURES

The ACT Greens support:

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2. commissioning research into the drift away from the ACT public education system, and subsequently develop and implement a strategy to reverse this trend
3. assessing the impact of the 'Toward 2020' program and set up ongoing consultation with communities affected by school closures to address negative impacts
4. retaining public ownership of all ACT public education infrastructure
5. requiring all ACT schools to comply with the Anti-Discrimination Act
6. reviewing pay, conditions and career opportunities of ACT Education professionals to develop a comprehensive strategy addressing their recruitment and retention
7. providing adequate resources and training to ensure the safety of all students and staff
8. making a significant investment in high schools and colleges to improve school coordination and administration, innovative teaching and student-teacher relationships
9. expanding and diversifying alternative settings and programs within schools for students with severe behavioural problems
10. adequately funding comprehensive student support services, ranging from learning assistance to health and welfare
11. providing effective early intervention and ongoing support for students and families in need
12. implementing programs of social service delivery, community activities and community education in schools at appropriate hours
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14. increasing the availability and quality of publicly run Out of School Hours care programs for all children.
15. strengthening the teaching of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, environmental studies, languages and the arts, and implement cross-curriculum approaches to sustainability education
16. encouraging innovative teaching and curriculum development through engagement with the community sector
17. providing additional teachers and resources for students with special needs, including those experiencing learning difficulty or disability and those with special skills or talents
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Hi,

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This is what the ACT Greens office sent out this morning – it should be on the ACT Greens website soon.

Cheers,

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Media Release

ACT Greens 23/09/2008

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Meredith Hunter ACT Greens candidate for Ginninderra today launched the ACT Greens education policy for the 2008 Assembly election.

"Most ACT students do very well out of our school systems but there is a growing achievement gap for some" Meredith Hunter said today.

"The first priority for the Greens is to make sure education resources get to the schools and the students that need them most.

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"We are delighted that the ACT Government has finally acknowledged this growing achievement gap and committed resources to address it.

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"ACT Greens will review and reassess all school and preschool closures using criteria that include community impact, climate change impact and parent attitudes. We also support amending the Education Act to ensure that inclusive and transparent consultation is undertaken before a school can be closed.

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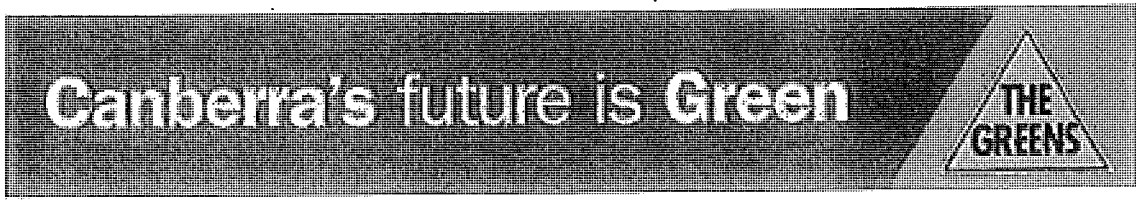
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Cluster Literacy and Numeracy Experts		-1,986	-2,035	-2,085 \$2,137 in 2012-13
English as a Second Language		-428	-883	-905 \$928k in 2012-13
National Capital Literacy and Learning Centre		-117	-120	-123 \$126k in 2012-13
Support for ACT Ethnic Schools		-20	-21	-21
Increased Links to Foreign Embassies		-30	-31	-32 \$32k in 2012-13
College and High School Innovation Fund		-550	-250	
ASBAs in Schools		-350	-359	-368 \$377k in 2012-13
Equity Funds for Disability, Literacy and Numeracy		-1,000	-1,025	-1,051 \$1,077k in 2012-13
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Dickson and Kingston Master Plans	0	-220		
\$10m for Bus Services		-2,321	-2,414	-2,519 \$2,611k in 2012-13
<i>Sport and Rec</i>				
\$800,000 for Smart Start Program	0	-200	-200	-200 \$200K in 2012-13
\$300,000 for Children's Activity Foundation	0	-300	0	0 \$75K in 2012-13
\$8m for motorsport	0	0		\$8m from existing approp
To assist elite local sporting teams participating in national level competitions		-150	-160	-170 \$180k in 2012-13
Financial support for the Brumbies	-265			
\$200,000 to begin design work for a swimming pool in Molonglo				\$200k in 2012-13
\$225,000 in assistance for young Canberrans to complete an Australian School Based Apprenticeship in the sport and recreation industry		-53	-55	-57 \$60k in 2012-13
<i>Health</i>				
Supporting our GP workforce		-1,500	-2,517	-3,568 \$4653k in 2012-13
New Gunghalin Community Health Centre			-3,500	-5,000 \$5170 in 2012-13
Three new "walk-in health centres"		0	-2,000	-2,300 \$6500K in 2012-13
Chronic disease management - feasibility adult and young persons		-300		
Chronic disease management - obesity		-650	-667	-683
Meeting increased demand for services (cancer)		-1,000	-2,034	-3,102 \$4204K in 2012-13
Digital mammography		-1,278	-1,796	-1,858 \$1920K in 2012-13
Provision of a public mammography service		-453	-484	-515 \$547k in 2012-13
Growth provision offset		5,181	12,998	17,026
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-5,852	-15,117	-18,693	-19,128
Proposed Loss in Revenue				
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue	0	0	0	0
Proposed Savings				
Total Proposed Savings	0	0	0	0
Total Recurrent Impact	-5,852	-15,117	-18,693	-19,128
GGS Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	67,925	32,920	32,834	35,296

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Proposed Capital Projects				
Election Commitment				
<i>Community</i>				
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors	-190	-1,400		
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Emergency Services - Community Fire Units		-143	-146	
<i>Education</i>				
Landscaping			-1,500	-3,500
Harrison High School		-15,600	-15,600	
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre		-500	-1,500	-3,000
Additional IT - Pubic Schools		-1,500	-2,500	-1,000
InSPIRE Centre			-100	-104 \$108k in 2012-13
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes			-6,000	
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
\$10m for Bus Services (Bus seats/stops)		-140		
Solar Power Plant			0	0
<i>Sport and Rec</i>				
Gungahlin Pool Complex	0	-1,000	-9,000	-10,000
\$2 million to redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields		-2,000		
\$8.5 million to Redevelop ACT Tennis Centre and to fund additional road and infrastructure works in Lyneham precinct, with extra \$4m from existing provision		-4,500		
\$1 million to fund improvements to Griffith Oval		-1,000		
Invest \$3 million to develop a new basketball stadium and player amenities.			-500	-2,500
\$670,000 to upgrade and expand the Woden Gymnastics Club		-670		
<i>Health</i>				
Free Mammography service		-285		
New and Refurbished Community Health facilities		0	0	0 beyond forward estimates
<i>Existing capital provision offset</i>		28,738	36,846	20,104
Total Proposed Capital Projects	-190	0	0	0

Legend of colour codes for stages of work-in-progress:
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 Costing updated to Election Register.

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Cc: Jiang, Emei; Bird, Bill
Subject: Green's election commitment: Houses to live in

Party: Greens
Date: 24 September 2008
Source: Green's media release
Issue: Houses to live in
Announced costing: not provided

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Please note that the commitment is in 3 parts:

- From now on, all new public housing to meet Universal Design criteria
- In the short term, an increase in the proportion of all new residences in the ACT required to meet Universal Design criteria, particularly those residential developments near shops, health facilities and services. (At least 25%.)
- Over time, the amendment of national building codes move all residential construction towards Universal Design.

Emei is the contact and Phang is the senior manager. Glenn will cover the implementation aspect for the 25% and building codes (if any).

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Nikki
As requested - copy of the law and order page. The costings mirror those provided by Corbell's office except for a small component of the FOI initiative. I understand this is for internal use only.
Neil

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Thompson, Kirsten

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Updated Labor sheet with Health (still somewhat WIP) and CCTV

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Labor Party Tally Sheet

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGS Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-Election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424
Election commitments - Recurrent				
<i>Community</i>				
Support for Valley FM89.5	0	-15	-15	-15
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors			-36	-36
Migrant Resource Centre		-50	-50	-50
Emergency relief to offset rising fuel prices	-3,500			
Major autumn event		-1,250	-1,250	-1,250 \$1,250K in 2012-13
Increased funding for the ACT Community Languages Grant Program		-25	-25	-25
Improve Migrant Transitional Housing		-100	-100	-100 \$100K in 2012-13
Multicultural Youth Services Program		-25	-25	-25 \$25K in 2012-13
West Belconnen Community Health Co-operative	-220			
<i>Justice</i>				
Review Freedom of Information Law		-31	-32	-33 \$34K in 2012-13
<i>Indigenous</i>				
Indigenous Public Service Traineeships Program		-29	-30	-31
Indigenous Leadership Grants Program		-78	-80	-82 \$84K in 2012-13
Grandparenting - Primary Care		-39	-40	-41 \$42k in 2012-13
Independent Facilitator for Elected Indigenous Body		-50	-51	-53 \$55K in 2012-13
Ngunnawal Genealogy Project		-75	-75	
Indigenous Teachers & Teacher's Assistants attraction scheme		-160	-168	-177 \$181k in 2012-13
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Emergency Services - Community Fire Units		-48	-118	-142 \$144k in 2012-13 (including depreciation)
<i>Education</i>				
\$1m for gifted and talented students (support parents)	0	-62	-31	-32 \$33K in 2012-13
\$1m for gifted and talented students (provision for GATS)	0	-85	-86	-87 \$88K in 2012-13
\$1m for gifted and talented students (identifying students) for School Parent Groups	0	-116	-119	-122 \$125K in 2012-13
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes	-2,087			
Increased Administrative Support		-3,087	-6,379	-6,838 \$6,998K in 2012-13 (including depreciation of \$300K)
Volunteering in ACT Schools		-397	-413	-423 \$434k in 2012-13
Landscaping		-107	-111	-114 \$117k in 2012-13
Harrison High Schools			-122	-176 \$289K in 2012-13
Additional IT - Public Schools		-94	-344	-300
Additional IT - Non Government Schools		-1,500	-1,000	-563 Depreciation expense
InSPIRE Centre			-472	Grant funding
Cluster Literacy and Numeracy Experts		-1,986	-2,035	-917 \$959k in 2012-13
English as a Second Language		-428	-883	-2,085 \$2,137 in 2012-13
National Capital Literacy and Learning Centre		-117	-120	-905 \$928k in 2012-13
Support for ACT Ethnic Schools		-20	-21	-123 \$126k in 2012-13
Increased Links to Foreign Embassies		-30	-31	-21
College and High School Innovation Fund		-550	-250	-32 \$32k in 2012-13
ASBAs in Schools		-350	-359	-368 \$377k in 2012-13
Equity Funds for Disability, Literacy and Numeracy		-1,000	-1,025	-1,051 \$1,077k in 2012-13
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Dickson and Kingston Master Plans	0	-220		
\$10m for Bus Services		-2,321	-2,414	-2,519 \$2,611k in 2012-13
<i>Sport and Rec</i>				
\$800,000 for Smart Start Program	0	-200	-200	-200 \$200K in 2012-13
\$300,000 for Children's Activity Foundation	0	-300	0	0 \$75K in 2012-13
\$8m for motorsport	0	0		\$8m from existing approp
To assist elite local sporting teams participating in national league competitions		-150	-160	-170 \$180k in 2012-13
Additional support for the Brumbies	-265			
\$200,000 to begin design work for a swimming pool in Molonglo				\$200k in 2012-13
\$225,000 in assistance for young Canberrans to complete an				
School Based Apprenticeship in the sport and				
Construction Industry		-53	-55	-57 \$60k in 2012-13
<i>Health</i>				
Supporting our GP workforce		-1,500	-2,517	-3,568 \$4,653k in 2012-13
New Gunghalin Community Health Centre			-3,500	-5,000 \$5,170k in 2012-13
Three new "walk-in health centres"		0	-2,000	-2,300 \$6,500K in 2012-13
Chronic disease management - feasibility adult and young persons		-300		
Chronic disease management - obesity		-650	-667	-683
Meeting increased demand for services (cancer)		-1,000	-2,034	-3,102 \$4,204K in 2012-13
Digital mammography		-1,278	-1,796	-1,858 \$1,920K in 2012-13
Provision of a public mammography service		-423	-440	-457 \$475k in 2012-13
<i>Growth provision offset</i>		5,151	12,954	16,968
<i>Justice</i>				
Community safety CCTV partnership program		-520	-320	-326 \$334k in 2012-13
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-6,072	-15,668	-19,045	-19,487
Election commitments - Revenue				
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue	0	0	0	0
Election commitments - Savings				
Total Proposed Savings	0	0	0	0
Total Recurrent Impact	-6,072	-15,668	-19,045	-19,487
GGS Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	67,705	32,369	32,482	34,937
	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s

Proposed Capital Projects
Election Commitment
Community

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Home for Tuggeranong Seniors	-190	-1,400		
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Emergency Services - Community Fire Units		-143	-146	
<i>Education</i>				
Landscaping			-1,500	-3,500
Harrison High School		-15,600	-15,600	
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre		-500	-1,500	-3,000
Additional IT - Public Schools		-1,500	-2,500	-1,000
InSPIRE Centre			-100	-104
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes			-6,000	\$108k in 2012-13
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
\$10m for Bus Services (Bus seats/stops)		-140		
Solar Power Plant			0	0
<i>Sport and Rec</i>				
Gungahlin Pool Complex	0	-1,000	-9,000	-10,000
\$2 million to redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields		-2,000		
\$8.5 million to Redevelop ACT Tennis Centre and to fund additional road and infrastructure works in Lyneham precinct, with extra \$4m from existing provision		-4,500		
\$1 million to fund improvements to Griffith Oval		-1,000		
Invest \$3 million to develop a new basketball stadium and player amenities.			-500	-2,500
\$670,000 to upgrade and expand the Woden Gymnastics Club		-670		
<i>Health</i>				
Free Mammography service		-285		
New and Refurbished Community Health facilities		0	0	0 beyond forward estimates
Integrated Cancer Centre of Excellence		0	0	0 beyond forward estimates
Existing capital provision offset		28,738	36,846	20,104
Total Proposed Capital Projects	-190	0	0	0

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Liberal Party Tally Sheet

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGs Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	61,627	54,424
Proposed Additional Expenditure				
Policy announcements				
<i>Health</i>				
Reduce hospital waiting times	-2,500	-5,286	-5,601	-5,932
Mental Health at 11% of the Health Budget	-16,658	-35,214	-37,313	-39,518
Additional 100 acute care beds	-28,287	-59,804	-63,369	-67,114
<i>ESA</i>				
Separate Rural Fire Service from ACT Fire Brigade	-98	-200	-205	-210
Restors to full Independence	-1,656	-3,311	-3,394	-3,479
<i>Business</i>				
Restore Business ACT Funding	-3,000	-4,700	-5,850	-5,996
New Business Initiative	-82	-180	-185	-189
<i>Police</i>				
Additional 12 Police Officers	-745	-1,548	-1,605	-1,665
<i>Tourism</i>				
Reinstate the Tourism Budget	0	0	0	0
Total Policy Announcements	-53,024	-110,243	-117,522	-124,104
Election commitments				
<i>Schools</i>				
Reverse the school closures	-4,297	-2,813	-2,617	-2,679
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes	-898	-3,018	-7,632	-13,022
More high school teachers	-419	-1,307	-2,492	-3,298
Teacher training for mature age subject specialists	-200	-373	-780	-800
Graduate scholarship	0	-80	-180	-240
Professional support for teachers	0	0	-125	-577
Complaints Commissioner	0	0	0	0
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Infrastructure Canberra Commissioner	-400	-1,200	-1,500	-1,800
Infrastructure Canberra Public Works Committee	-80	-150	-155	-160
Griffith Library	-256	-1,597	-1,619	-1,652
<i>Health</i>				
Bulk billings GP for the suburbs (West Belconnen and Lanyon)	-300	0	0	0
Three GP Clinics	0	-7,151	-8,895	-7,149
GPs for Canberra Fund	0	-2,250	-2,250	0
Young GP entrepreneurs fund	-2,340	-1,628	-169	-213
Dental Care for Seniors	-208	-498	-511	-524
Transport for Seniors	0	-100	0	0
<i>Governance</i>				
Proper funding for AG (New Way of Listening)	-56	-105	-108	-111
Draft budget process (New Way of Listening)	-80	-82	-84	-86
State of Territory (New Way of Listening)	-50	-30	-35	-40
State of Environment (New Way of Listening)	-30	-31	-32	-32
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)	0	-1,405	-1,331	-1,378
<i>Planning</i>				
Uncovering the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Housing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation (Quality of Life policy)	0	-246	-235	-245
Identify multi-unit properties for older residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Disability</i>				
Funding of Autism Asperger	0	-228	-243	-257
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
The 2010 Canberra Art Biennale	0	-500	-500	0
Establish "Canberra Tourism"	-250	-515	-530	-546
Green Waste	0	-8,266	-8,266	-8,638
Home Insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home Insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
Total Election Commitments	-11,352	-29,217	-42,677	-47,808
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-64,256	-138,260	-160,443	-161,734
Proposed Loss in Revenue				
Policy announcements - Removal/reduction in Fees/Rates/Taxes				
<i>General Rates</i>				
Utilities Network Facility Tax	0	-115	-178	-244
Ambulance Levy on Health Funds	0	-16,810	-17,230	-17,661
Ambulance transport fee	-2,172	-4,525	-4,706	-4,894
Ambulance Transport Collection Costs	-312	-650	-676	-703
False Alarm fee	-52	-108	-112	-117
Water Abstraction Charge	-144	-300	-312	-324
Indexation of fees and charges	-9,877	-22,822	-22,878	-23,368
Development Application fees	0	-29	-59	-91
Land tax	-635	-1,270	-1,321	-1,374
Free essential staff parking **	0	-2,120	-2,205	-2,293
Parking fees	-800	-2,478	-2,578	-2,681
City Centre Marketing and Improvements Levy	0	-1,621	-1,686	-1,753
	0	-1,447	-1,505	-1,565
Total Policy Announcements	-13,992	-54,295	-55,443	-57,069
Election commitments				
No Stamp Duty Policy (for First Home Buyer)	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Total Proposed Loss In Revenue	-35,267	-86,171	-89,214	-92,793
Proposed Savings				
Arboretum	0	820	841	862
Total Proposed Savings	0	820	841	862
Total Recurrent Impact	-99,523	-223,612	-238,817	-253,666
GGs Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	-25,746	-175,675	-187,290	-199,242

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Proposed Capital Projects				
Policy Announcements				
Dragway	0	-9,190	0	0
Installation of Public Toilets at Campbell Park	0	-150	0	0
Election commitments				
Duplication of GDE	0	-23,500	-31,000	-30,000
<i>Infrastructure Capital Works provision</i>	0	23,500	31,000	30,000
Smaller School Classes	0	-935	-963	-992
Protecting Government School	-3,336	0	0	0
GP clinics	-5,900	0	0	0
Griffith Library	-3,900	0	0	0
Commonwealth Park Upgrade	0	-10,000	0	0
Green Waste	0	-1,025	-7,800	0
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)	0	21,300	6,763	992
<i>Existing capital provision offset</i>	0	0	0	0
Total Proposed Capital Projects	-13,136	0	0	0

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Here you Brian – understand for internal use only

Pls note we have separated the policy and election elements.

Regards

Neil

Liberal Party Tally Sheet

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGS Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-Election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424
Election Policy Document Commitments - Recurrent				
<i>Education</i>				
Reverse School Closures	-4,297	-2,813	-2,617	-2,679
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes	-838	-3,016	-7,632	-13,022
More High School Teachers	-419	-1,307	-2,492	-3,298
Teacher Training for Mature Age Subject Specialists	-200	-373	-780	-800
Graduate Scholarship	0	-80	-160	-240
Professional Support for Teachers			-125	-577
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Infrastructure Canberra Commissioner	-400	-1,200	-1,500	-1,600
Infrastructure Canberra Public Works Committee	-80	-150	-155	-160
<i>Health</i>				
Bulk billings GP for the suburbs (West Belconnen and Lanyon)	-300	0	0	0
Three GP Clinics		-7,151	-6,895	-7,149
GPs for Canberra Fund		-2,250	-2,250	
Young GP Entrepreneurs Fund	-2,340	-1,626	-169	-213
Dental Care for Seniors	-208	-498	-511	-524
Transport for Seniors		-100		
<i>Community Consultation</i>				
Funding for Auditor-General	-56	-105	-108	-111
Draft Budget Process	-80	-82	-84	-86
State of Territory Report	-50	-30	-35	-40
State of Environment Report	-30	-31	-32	-32
Re-open Civic Shopfront		-1,405	-1,331	-1,378
<i>Planning</i>				
Unclogging the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Ageing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation (Quality of Life policy)	0	-246	-235	-245
Identify Multi-Unit Properties for Older Residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
The 2010 Canberra Art Biennale		-500	-500	
Establish "Canberra Tourism"	-250	-515	-530	-546
<i>Environment</i>				
Home Insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home Insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
Media Release Election Commitments - Recurrent				
Education Complaints Commissioner	0	0	0	0
Funding of Autism Asperger		-228	-243	-257
Green Waste			-8,266	-8,638
Griffith Library	-256	-1,597	-1,619	-1,652
Total Election Commitments	-11,352	-29,217	-42,677	-47,808
Election Policy Document Commitments - Revenue				
<i>Housing Affordability</i>				
No Stamp Duty for First Home Buyers	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Election Policy Document Commitments - Savings				
	0	0	0	0
Total Proposed Savings	0	0	0	0
Total Recurrent Impact	-32,627	-61,093	-76,448	-83,532
GGS Net Operating Balance (after Election Commitments)	41,150	-13,056	-24,921	-29,108

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Election Policy Document Commitments - Capital				
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Duplication of GDE		-23,500	-31,000	-30,000
<i>Infrastructure Capital Works provision offset</i>		23,500	31,000	30,000
<i>Education</i>				
Smaller School Classes		-935	-963	-992
Protecting Government Schools	-3,336			
<i>Health</i>				
GP Clinics	-5,900			
<i>Tourism</i>				
Commonwealth Park Upgrade		-10,000		
<i>Community Consultation</i>				
Re-open Civic Shopfront		-1,025		
Media Release Election Commitments - Capital				
Green Waste			-7,800	
Griffith Library	-3,900			
<i>Existing capital provision offset</i>		11,960	8,763	992
Total Proposed Capital Projects	-13,136	0	0	0

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Liberal Party Tally Sheet

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Previous Policy Commitments - Recurrent				
<i>Health</i>				
Reduce Hospital Waiting Times	-2,500	-5,286	-5,601	-5,932
Mental Health at 11% of the Health Budget	-16,656	-35,214	-37,313	-39,518
Additional 100 Acute Care Beds	-28,287	-59,804	-63,369	-67,114
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Separate Rural Fire Service from ACT Fire Brigade	-98	-200	-205	-210
Restore to full Independence	-1,656	-3,311	-3,394	-3,479
<i>Business</i>				
Restore Business ACT Funding	-3,000	-4,700	-5,850	-5,996
New Business Initiative	-82	-180	-185	-189
<i>Police</i>				
Additional 12 Police Officers	-745	-1,548	-1,605	-1,665
<i>Tourism</i>				
Reinstate the Tourism Budget **	0	0	0	0
Total Policy Announcements	-53,024	-110,243	-117,522	-124,104
Previous Policy Commitments - Revenue				
General Rates		-115	-178	-244
Utilities Network Facility Tax		-16,810	-17,230	-17,661
Ambulance Levy on Health Funds	-2,172	-4,525	-4,706	-4,894
Ambulance Transport Fee	-312	-650	-676	-703
Ambulance Transport Collection Costs	-52	-108	-112	-117
False Alarm Fee	-144	-300	-312	-324
Water Abstraction Charge	-9,877	-22,822	-22,876	-23,368
Indexation of Fees and Charges		-29	-59	-91
Development Application fees	-635	-1,270	-1,321	-1,374
Land Tax		-2,120	-2,205	-2,293
Free Essential Staff Parking **		-2,479	-2,578	-2,681
Parking Fees	-800	-1,621	-1,686	-1,753
City Centre Marketing and Improvements Levy		-1,447	-1,505	-1,565
Total Policy Announcements	-13,992	-54,295	-55,443	-57,069
Previous Policy Commitments - Savings				
Arboretum		820	841	862
Total Proposed Savings	0	820	841	862
GGS Net Operating Balance (after Election Commitments and Previous Policy Announcements)	-25,866	-176,775	-197,046	-209,420
Previous Policy Commitments - Capital				
Dragway		-9,190		
Installation of Public Toilets at Campbell Park		-150		
Total Proposed Capital Works	0	-9,340	0	0

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Thompson, Kirsten

From: Weir, Brian
Sent: Thursday, 25 September 2008 5:30 PM
To: Bulless, Neil
Cc: Smithies, Megan; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: RE: Lib tally sheet

Thanks Neil, and I am told it is indeed for internal use only

Brian

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Thursday, 25 September 2008 5:29 PM
To: Weir, Brian
Cc: Smithies, Megan; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: Lib tally sheet

Here you Brian – understand for internal use only

Pls note we have separated the policy and election elements.

Regards

Neil

Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Thursday, 25 September 2008 5:44 PM
To: Weir, Brian
Cc: Smithies, Megan; Friend, Stuart
Subject: 24 Sept sheet
Attachments: Liberal Tally Sheet - 24 Sept.xls

Brian

This is the one from yesterday with the formula fixed at the line Total Proposed Additional Expenditure

Neil

Liberal Party Tally Sheet

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGs Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	61,527	54,424
Proposed Additional Expenditure				
Policy announcements				
<i>Health</i>				
Reduce hospital waiting times	-2,500	-5,268	-5,601	-5,932
Mental Health at 11% of the Health Budget	-19,656	-35,214	-37,313	-39,518
Additional 100 acute care beds	-29,287	-59,804	-63,369	-67,114
<i>ESA</i>				
Separate Rural Fire Service from ACT Fire Brigade	-88	-200	-205	-210
Restore to full independence	-1,656	-3,311	-3,394	-3,479
<i>Business</i>				
Restore Business ACT Funding	-3,000	-4,700	-5,850	-5,998
New Business Initiative	-82	-180	-185	-189
<i>Police</i>				
Additional 12 Police Officers	-745	-1,648	-1,605	-1,665
<i>Tourism</i>				
Reinstate the Tourism Budget	0	0	0	0
Total Policy Announcements	-53,024	-110,243	-117,622	-124,104
Election commitments				
<i>Schools</i>				
Reverse the school closures	-4,297	-2,813	-2,617	-2,679
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes	-638	-3,016	-7,632	-13,022
More high school teachers	-419	-1,307	-2,492	-3,298
Teacher training for mature age subject specialists	-200	-373	-780	-800
Graduate scholarship	0	-80	-160	-240
Professional support for teachers	0	0	-125	-577
Complaints Commissioner	0	0	0	0
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Infrastructure Canberra Commissioner	-400	-1,200	-1,500	-1,600
Infrastructure Canberra Public Works Committee	-80	-180	-165	-160
Griffith Library	-288	-1,697	-1,619	-1,652
<i>Health</i>				
Bulk billings GP for the suburbs (West Belconnen and Lanyon)	-300	0	0	0
Three GP Clinics	0	-7,151	-8,895	-7,149
GPs for Canberra Fund	0	-2,250	-2,250	-2,250
Young GP entrepreneurs fund	-2,340	-1,626	-169	-213
Dental Care for Seniors	-208	-498	-511	-524
Transport for Seniors	0	-100	0	0
<i>Governance</i>				
Proper funding for AG (New Way of Listening)	-56	-105	-108	-111
Draft budget process (New Way of Listening)	-80	-82	-84	-86
State of Territory (New Way of Listening)	-50	-30	-35	-40
State of Environment (New Way of Listening)	-30	-31	-32	-32
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)	0	-1,405	-1,331	-1,378
<i>Planning</i>				
Unclogging the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Housing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation (Quality of Life policy)	0	-246	-235	-245
Identify multi-unit properties for older residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Disability</i>				
Funding of Autism Asperger	0	-228	-243	-257
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
The 2010 Canberra Art Biennale	0	-500	-500	-500
Establish "Canberra Tourism"	-250	-515	-530	-548
Green Waste	0	-626	-626	-638
Home Insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home Insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
Total Election Commitments	-11,352	-29,217	-42,677	-47,808
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure	-64,376	-139,460	-160,199	-171,912
Proposed Loss in Revenue				
Policy announcements - Removal/reduction in Fees/Rates/Taxes				
<i>General Rates</i>				
Utilities Network Facility Tax	0	-115	-178	-244
Ambulance Levy on Health Funds	-2,172	-4,625	-4,709	-4,894
Ambulance transport fee	-312	-650	-676	-703
Ambulance Transport Collection Costs	-52	-108	-112	-117
False Alarm fee	-144	-300	-312	-324
Water Abstraction Charge	-9,877	-22,822	-22,876	-23,368
Indexation of fees and charges	0	-29	-59	-91
Development Application fees	-635	-1,270	-1,321	-1,374
Land tax	0	-2,120	-2,205	-2,293
Free essential staff parking **	0	-2,479	-2,578	-2,681
Parking fees	-800	-1,621	-1,688	-1,753
City Centre Marketing and Improvements Levy	0	-1,447	-1,505	-1,565
Total Policy Announcements	-13,992	-54,295	-55,443	-57,069
<i>Election commitments</i>				
No Stamp Duty Policy (for First Home Buyer)	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue	-35,267	-86,171	-89,214	-92,793
Proposed Savings				
<i>Arboretum</i>				
Arboretum	0	820	841	862
Total Proposed Savings	0	820	841	862
Total Recurrent Impact	-99,643	-224,812	-248,573	-263,844
GGs Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	-25,866	-176,775	-197,046	-209,420

* costs are still indicative and are to be refined
 ** superseded
 Final costings are also dependant on date of commencement

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Proposed Capital Projects				
Policy Announcements				
Dragway	0	-9,190	0	0
Installation of Public Toilets at Campbell Park	0	-150	0	0
Election commitments				
Smaller School Classes	0	-935	-963	-992
Protecting Government School	-3,338	0	0	0
Duplication of GDE	0	-23,500	-31,000	-30,000
Capital Works provision	0	23,500	31,000	30,000
GP clinics	-5,900	0	0	0
Griffith Library	-3,900	0	0	0
Commonwealth Park Upgrade	0	-10,000	-7,800	0
Green Waste	0	0	0	0
Reopen Civic Shopfront (New Way of Listening)	0	-1,025	0	0
Existing capital provision offset	0	21,300	8,763	892
Total Proposed Capital Projects	-13,138	0	0	0

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 Final costings are also dependant on date of commencement

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Bulless, Neil

From: Thursday, 25 September 2008 9:51 PM
Sent: ACT ALP Secretary; Smithies, Megan; Layland, Penelope; joel.lyneham@act.alp.org.au;
To: /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GABRIELLE_HUMMEL; Bulless, Neil
Subject: climate change draft release
Attachments: climate change.doc

here's the last draft. I think they all deserve a separate go.

P

**Cash-back pledge for energy-smart appliances,
help for low-income households highlights of climate-change package**

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will give cash incentives to Canberrans who buy green appliances and will help low income-earners retrofit their homes to cut their heating and cooling bills.

The strategies are the centrepiece of the new package of climate-change initiatives ACT Labor will fund, if re-elected on October 18.

“Labor will spend \$4 million over four years to encourage Canberrans to buy energy-efficient appliances or insulate their homes,” Chief Minister Jon Stanhope announced today.

“Up to \$400 will be made available in the form of cash-back rebates for Canberrans who buy fridges and freezers with a 4-star rating or higher, air conditioners with a 5-star rating or higher, controllers that switch off equipment when it is not needed, and insulation for houses over five years of age.

“The program will incorporate a hand-back strategy, to ensure that old whitegoods are disposed of appropriately.”

Mr Stanhope said Labor would commit another \$4 million over the next term to helping low-income households install window and door seals, window coverings, home insulation, insulation on exposed pipes and other energy-saving additions.

The program would target concession-card or seniors-card holders living in homes over five years old.

A further \$4 million over four years would support renters to buy appliances with a five-star rating or higher.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government would also encourage the phasing out of electric hot water systems with \$1.5 million to simplify and extend the existing solar hot water rebate scheme to provide up to a \$1000 rebate to households replacing electric systems with solar hot water systems.

To address salinity in Canberra’s waste water flowing out of the Territory, Labor will earmark \$150,000 a year for a campaign to promote the purchase of low-salt washing products, and other measures to reduce salt levels.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will repeat its hugely popular free grey water hose program, which enables households to divert washing-machine water onto gardens. (VALUE??)

A new rebate will encourage Canberrans to buy water-efficient washing machines, with \$150 rebates paid for 5-star machines and \$200 rebates for 6-star machines.

A re-elected Labor Government will boost the water tank rebate program by \$600,000 and extend the rebate to new tanks with or without an internal plumbing connection. A higher rebate will be payable for tanks with an internal connection.

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Bulless, Neil

From: <
Sent: Thursday, 25 September 2008 9:48 PM
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joel.lyneham@act.alp.org.au; Bulless, Neil
Subject: WASTE DRAFT RELEASE
Attachments: waste.doc

Here's another. Too tired for headline. ZZZZ

An annual pick-up of bulky waste from households and free drop-off facilities for electronic waste are among the initiatives a re-elected Labor Government will introduce.

Chief Minister John Stanhope today announced that \$2 million would be invested in a trial of a voucher system for an annual pick-up of bulky waste from households, to assist Canberrans without trailers or other means of ridding themselves of bulky items.

“Labor understands the difficulty some Canberrans have in disposing of old furniture or appliances – particularly Canberrans with physical limitations or on low incomes. That’s why we have decided to trial a voucher system that would allow a once-yearly pick-up.

“The results of the trial will be assessed and inform future policy-making.”

The Chief Minister also announced today that \$2.4 million would be invested to make it easier for households and businesses to recycle electronic waste at free drop-off facilities, replacing the existing pay-to-drop scheme.

In addition, waste ending up in landfill would be reduced by up to 20,000 tonnes a year through the allocation of \$1.5 million to a materials recycling facility at the Mugga and Mitchell transfer stations.

Good corporate citizenship would be encouraged through the exploration of an accreditation scheme to recognise best-practice waste management in the hospitality and supermarket industries. ACT Labor will consult with the hospitality and supermarket sectors to assess interest in an opt-in accreditation scheme that would allow businesses to badge themselves as a WasteWise business.

Labor will also work with the supermarket sector to develop a Composting Handbook to encourage recycling of organic and biodegradable wastes by retailers and will pursue proposals from business to develop new and innovative waste recovery industries in the ACT.

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Bulless, Neil

From: [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, 25-September 2008 9:36 PM
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Subject: carbon release draft
Attachments: carbon.doc

Gab et al, I've separated out the carbon initiatives and waste - they deserve separate releases. This is for checking and clearance before it goes further.

P

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will trial solar street lighting and boost its use of accredited green power from 23% to 30% in the first year of a new term, ratcheting up the target in future years as energy from renewable sources becomes more widely available.

Chief Minister Jon Stanhope said Labor would also commit to putting solar panels on every public school, with \$2 million for the first three years of the program, and would boost the percentage of hybrid cars in the ACT Government car fleet from 3.5% to 5%.

The fleet has already been changed to four-cylinder vehicles, except in cases where there is operational need for an alternative.

“Climate change will have far-reaching impacts on every member of our community, and there are things we can each do to minimise that impact,” Mr Stanhope said.

“A re-elected Labor Government will spend \$200,000 on advising and supporting businesses to plan for and adapt to climate change and will continue its progress towards carbon neutrality in government agencies.

“We will trial both solar and LED street lighting in Civic pedestrian areas and selected suburbs and assess the through-life costs, availability and performance of each technology, with a view to making it the standard.

“And in partnership with the Property Council and the Green Building Council we will examine how existing buildings might be refurbished to achieve a green-star rating.”

Thompson, Kirsten

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Thursday, 25 September 2008 10:27 AM
To: Layland, Penelope; Smithies, Megan
Subject: RE: Document4

Importance: High

Penelope

Numbers are ok. Funds are for staffing and education campaign. We funded the capital and some operational recurrent in the 08-09 Budget for Manuka, Kingston (CCTV) and Winchester centre (monitoring facility), and project team

Neil

From: Layland, Penelope
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2008 9:55 AM
To: Bulless, Neil; Smithies, Megan
Subject: FW: Document4
Importance: High

Neil, Megan,

this has been tagged for early release today. Could you please check the figures (and also the claim that the money will be used for staffing> Can we say that?). release is scheduled for 11am. Sorry about the lack of notice.

Thanks

Pen

Penelope Layland
Senior Adviser
Office of Jon Stanhope MLA
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From: Boogs, Monika
Sent: Thursday, 25 September 2008 9:50 AM
To: Layland; Penelope
Subject: Document4



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Simon Corbell MLA

ATTORNEY GENERAL
MINISTER FOR POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES
MEMBER FOR MOLONGLO

MEDIA RELEASE

FIRST DRAFT FOR CHECKING MONEY

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with business owners and police on a co-ordinated community safety program, integrating CCTV and other strategies to combat crime and anti-social behaviour in Canberra's entertainment areas.

Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Simon Corbell, made the \$1.5 million community safety announcement in Civic today.

Under the Community Safety CCTV Partnership Program business owners, police, city rangers, liquor and parking inspectors and security officers will work together as part of a co-ordinated strategy to improve safety in the entertainment areas, particularly in Manuka, Kingston and Civic.

This program will involve the co-ordination of law enforcement, liquor licensing and security activities and community consultation with local businesses.

ACT Labor will provide \$1.5m over four years to staff the program and fund an educational and awareness campaign to combat aggressive behaviour among late night patrons.

"This initiative is based on the principle that the underlying causes of crime need to be examined as a whole to effectively tackle crime," Mr Corbell said.

"ACT Labor also recognises the need for local community involvement to ensure crime is addressed in a bottom-up" way bringing together all the relevant parties in a community-government partnership.

"This program will build on the successes of the existing CCTV network which has been comprehensively expanded by the ACT Labor Government," he said.

Par here about how CCTV used over to Simon

"The lessons learned from both here and overseas are that CCTV can be a valuable tool as part of an overall strategy for fighting crime and anti-social behaviour.

"The ACT Labor Government is committed to ensuring the safety of our residents in our entertainment areas. Labor has undertaken a comprehensive upgrade of Canberra's CCTV network to strengthen public safety and security at entertainment precincts and sporting venues.

"This new initiative will help to maintain a fair and safe community for all Canberrans."

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Thompson, Kirsten

From: Bird, Bill
Sent: Monday, 29 September 2008 8:42 AM
To: Ahmed, Khalid; Bain, Glenn; Broughton, Roger; Bulless, Neil; Friend, Stuart; Guthrie, Marsha; Jones, ChrisD (DT); Kilkelly, Emma; Lim, Phang-Chun; McIntyre, Alicia; McNamara, Jason (DT); O'Dea, Danny; Pulford, Nikki; Reilly, Rob; Ryan, Shaun; Smithies, Megan; Swan (DT), Eric; Thompson, Kirsten
Subject: Labor Election Commitment - Play therapists to run playgroups

Party: Labor
Date: 29 September 2008
Source: The Canberra Times
Issue: Play therapists to run playgroups
Announced costing: \$1.9m

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/labor-funds-play-therapists/1284889.aspx>

Bill is the contact officer, Phang is the senior manager.

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Thompson, Kirsten

From: Bird, Bill
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Subject: Labor Election Commitment - Carers

Party: Labor
Date: 29 September 2008
Source: Labor Media Release
Issue: Carers
Announced costing: \$1.6m



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Bill is the contact officer, Phang is the senior manager.

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1404

Bulless, Neil

From: Weir, Brian
Sent: Monday, 29 September 2008 6:17 PM
To: Bulless, Neil
Cc: Pulford, Nikki
Subject: Can I get a copy of the latest CMO costings sheet?

Hi Neil

I was chatting to Nikki about this earlier today, and she was going to raise it after this afternoon's directors meeting - do you know if she did??

Thanks

Brian

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Thompson, Kirsten

From: Scrivener, Sharon
Sent: Tuesday, 30 September 2008 11:48 AM
To: Smithies, Megan; Cappie-Wood, Andrew
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Sharon Scrivener
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Bulless, Neil

From: Hummel, Gabrielle
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Subject: Updated transport policy
Attachments: Integrated Transport policy 08 FINAL1.doc

Hi all

Thanks again to Neil for providing feedback on the draft transport policy.

We have added in some extra information - based on the information provided by Treasury to Brian this afternoon (namely the addition of the sustainable transport initiative funding for cycle and footpaths).

Can you please review and let me know if there are any problems? I'm sorry to rush things, but we will need final signoff by about 9 tomorrow morning - please call me tonight or first thing tomorrow if you it to discuss.

Many thanks

Gaby

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Integrated Transport

ACT Labor is building a better city and a stronger community by making massive investments in Canberra's transport infrastructure.

Our public transport system is going from strength to strength thanks to ACT Labor's investment of more than \$243 million into an improved ACTION bus service. Labor has completely reformed the ACTION service with a new network, new, green, wheelchair-accessible buses, more generous concessions and plans for a new ticketing system.

The new ACTION *Network 08* is already attracting an average of 24,000 passengers on weekdays.

Labor is preparing for the future, too, and has just commissioned a business case for a light rail network.

We're investing massively in road infrastructure to cut commuting times and improve business productivity, and expanding our fantastic network of bike paths to encourage Canberrans out of their cars.

Labor is committed to tackling climate change, and that means tackling the greenhouse impacts of transport.

Labor has already implemented the ACT's first strategic bus replacement program, with \$58 million for 116 new, green buses in the first phase.

We are creating more Park and Ride options for commuters, and bicycle riders who use the on-bus bike racks now travel for free.

Labor has made it easier for older Canberrans to travel by bus, extending half-price travel for Seniors Card holders to all routes and all times, and introducing a Gold Card that allows all Canberrans aged over 75 to travel on ACTION buses for free. Already, a third of the ACT's over-75s have taken up the Gold Card offer.

ACT Labor has also made it easier, safer and quicker to travel by road and has invested in infrastructure that encourages people to leave the car in the driveway – such as bike paths and pedestrian areas.

Through the *Building the Future* infrastructure program announced in the 2008/09 Budget Labor is investing \$250 million over the next five years in transport infrastructure.

The ACT Labor Government has also released its *Integrated Transport Framework* and *Action Plan*, the focus of which is to improve efficiency right across the transport system, addressing traffic congestion, minimising emissions and giving the community greater transport options.

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ACT Labor has been able to do all of this – and deliver much more – because we have been responsible economic managers and have invested in real improvements to the ACT's transport system. And we now have the capacity to do even more to create a truly integrated transport system and give Canberrans the best possible transport options.

Jon Stanhope
Chief Minister

John Hargreaves
Minister for Territory and
Municipal Services

A Proud Record of Investment in Canberra's Transport System

ACT Labor recognises that transport is central to any planning for the future development of our city.

That's why we have incorporated transport into our guiding policy documents – the *Territory Plan*, the *Spatial Plan*, the *Sustainable Transport Plan*, the *Accessible Public Transport Action Plan*, the *ACT Affordable Housing Strategy*, and *Weathering the Change – the ACT Climate Strategy 2007-2025*. Our long-term vision has been outlined in the *Integrated Transport Plan*, released in August 2008, which focuses on improving efficiency right across the transport system, addressing traffic congestion, minimising emissions and giving the community greater transport options.

ACT Labor has made significant investments in improving public transport and transport infrastructure, including developing an integrated transport framework that draws together sustainable transport, public transport, road safety, the taxi system, cycleways, pedestrian access, community transport needs, car parking and road infrastructure.

As part of Labor's *Building the Future* program, announced in the 2008/09 Budget, we are investing \$250 million over the next five years in transport infrastructure.

ACT Labor is determined to make a sustainable public transport system a real option for Canberrans, but also recognises the reality that the car will remain the main form of transport for many.

The legacy of our physical sprawl and our relative affluence mean the private car remains the most common means of transport, with nearly 84 per cent of all journeys to work by Canberrans made by car.

Still, improvements ACT Labor has made to the ACTION service have seen one in two Canberrans travel by bus over the past 12 months. And there's now a high level of satisfaction with ACTION's overall customer service.

Our Record

Since coming to office the ACT Labor Government has:

- o Provided more than \$243 million for the ACTION bus service, introduced a new network that now attracts an average of 25,000 passengers a day and created the Territory's first strategic fleet replacement program;
- o Completed the Gungahlin Drive Extension, the largest single road construction project since self-government
- o Invested more than \$3 million to extend and repair Canberra's cycleways, including on-road cycleways;
- o Formulated and funded the Territory's first strategic bus replacement program with an initial investment of \$58 million for 116 new buses;

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- o Introduced an improved timetable and route system called *Network 08* at a cost of \$38.9 million;
- o Introduced new concession fares for seniors at a cost of \$1.3 million
- o Introduced the Gold Card, which allows Canberrans aged 75 years or over to travel by bus for free, at a cost of \$500,000;
- o Introduced free travel for bike riders who use a bus fitted with a bike rack;
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- o Commenced the upgrade of roads to and from the airport.

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- o More than \$3 million for road and bridge safety work; and
- o In addition to the above road works, invested more than \$40 million for parking initiatives.

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Moving Forward

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Implement the Integrated Transport Framework;
- Re-commit to the targets set in the Sustainable Transport Plan;
- Ensure that an efficient and effective transport system supports a strong economy;
- Develop a transport system that meets the needs of the community;
- Promote urban form and transport options that minimise greenhouse gas emissions; and
- Integrate transport priorities with land use planning.

Implementing the *Integrated Transport Plan*

The ACT Labor Government released the *Integrated Transport Framework* in August 2008. A re-elected ACT Labor Government will continue to implement the *Framework* and *Action Plan*, which establish a set of principles to govern consideration of transport policies and initiatives both now and into the future.

The *Framework* will guide our planning for future transport use so we can create a sustainable transport system which meets the needs of the ACT community.

A sustainable transport system will allow both people and goods to move around freely and efficiently, whether for work or play. It will be a safe and reliable transport system which is adaptable to the changing circumstances of the ACT.

Key Actions to be undertaken over the next term include:

- Providing net benefits for the ACT economy by improving the efficiency of the whole transport system;
- Addressing traffic congestion;
- Improving social outcomes for the ACT community;
- Minimising the level of transport emissions; and
- Providing the ACT community with better transport options.

Light Rail

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will continue to negotiate with the Commonwealth on funding models for a light rail system for the future. An independent business case has been commissioned as a necessary first phase.

Sustainable transport targets

The ACT Labor Government set out targets for sustainable transport in our *Sustainable Transport Plan*. These targets involve the increase in the percentage of trips to work by walking, cycling and public transport. Our targets

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MODE	2001	2011	2026
Walking	4.1%	6%	7%
Cycling	2.3%	5%	7%
Public Transport	6.7%	9%	16%
Total	13.1%	20%	30%

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will reaffirm its commitment to these targets and provide practical interventions to make it easier for Canberrans to walk, cycle, or take public transport to work.

More improvements to ACTION

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ACT Labor will also continue to explore the introduction of a new ticketing system based on SmartCard technology at a cost of \$8 million.

Planning for transport infrastructure

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will make interventions and investments to fill gaps in transport infrastructure and services, and make Canberra a more accessible city for all.

We will undertake detailed transport modelling to determine the factors that influence travel choice in the ACT.

We will enhance our transport research and evaluation capabilities, improve our transport policy frameworks, take advantage of new vehicle technologies, and actively engage the Commonwealth in the identification of strategic major transport infrastructure projects.

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Enhancing taxi services

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Comment [p14]: A sentence saying what this means?

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A re-elected Stanhope Labor Government will progress the introduction of higher fares for High Occupancy Taxis capable of carrying five or more passengers, when those taxis carry eight or more passengers.

To address broader issues within the taxi industry, and to provide better support for service providers, a re-elected ACT Government will conduct a joint inquiry between Government, the tourist industry and the taxi industry to explore ways of improving taxi services. The inquiry will be asked to consider measures which could attract more taxi drivers into the industry in Canberra.

Canberra's road infrastructure

Although ACT Labor will continue to work towards greater sustainable use of public transport, road improvements and new roads will remain a priority to ensure that motorists are able to move freely around the Territory.

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In addition, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will continue the road works outlined in the 2008/09 Budget, namely:

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- Complete the duplication of GDE and conduct forward planning for Majura Parkway and Parkes Way (\$83 million).

Facilities for cyclists and pedestrians

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will ensure that cycling and walking networks are included in all urban renewal and new green-fields development sites.

Under our Sustainable Transport Initiatives program we will invest \$2.6 million over the next term of Government to improve cycle and footpaths across Canberra, including improving signage and road-markings for cycle paths. A re-elected ACT Labor Government will also look at other priorities within the Improving Urban Amenities Fund for further improvements to these important public facilities.

In addition, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will ensure that all new roads constructed include cycle paths.

Links with our new infrastructure framework

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Underpinning the massive infrastructure investments made by the ACT Labor Government is our integrated Infrastructure Plan which was refreshed in 2008.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will continue to use this Plan as a means of identifying key infrastructure priorities, in the areas of roads and transport, education and training, health, water, electricity and other energy.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will also ensure that the community has input into the determination of these priorities and will establish an Infrastructure Advisory Group to seek the input of business and community leaders to provide further guidance on the ACT's highest infrastructure priorities.

Bulless, Neil

From: Hummel, Gabrielle
Sent: Tuesday, 30 September 2008 2:28 PM
To: Bulless, Neil; Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Smithies, Megan
Subject: RE: TAMS and transport policies

Thanks, Neil, much appreciated.

Gaby

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 30 September 2008 10:34 AM
To: Hummel, Gabrielle; Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Smithies, Megan
Subject: RE: TAMS and transport policies

Gaby

Pls find below our comments on the figures quoted in the documents:

re Community Places –

- bottom p2 – ref to 2008-09 Budget should be 2007-08 Budget;
- bottom p2 – figure of \$2.2m doesn't reconcile to dot points listed on p3;
- p3, 2nd last dot point – we can't confirm this figure;
- p3, last dot point – this appears to be an Election promise not yet funded.

re Integrated Transport –

- p1 – ref to ACTION Gold Card – should be \$500,000 not \$300,000;
- p3 – last dot point – Network 08 funding should be \$38.9 million;
- p4 – 1st dot point – concession fares for seniors should be \$1.3 million;
- p4 – 2nd dot point – ACTION Gold Card – should be \$500,000 not \$300,000;
- p4 – middle of page – “nearly \$70 million” should be “in excess of \$80 million”;
- p4 – middle of page – reference to “new road works” inconsistent with last dot point;
- p4 – 3rd last dot point – seems to repeat other dot points;
- p4 – last dot point - \$40 million is in addition to “in excess of \$80 million” reference referred to above;
- p5 – 1st dot point repeats dot point in same list on p4;
- p7 – a number of the commitments in the dot points under **Canberra's road infrastructure** are already reflected in the 2008-09 Budget.

Neil

From: Hummel, Gabrielle
Sent: Monday, September 29, 2008 11:37 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki; Bulless, Neil
Subject: TAMS and transport policies

Hi Nikki and Neil

Attached are the current drafts of the TAMS (parks, etc) and transport policies. Would you be able to review and give confirmation of the figures?

Please give me a call if you wish to discuss.

Thanks

Gaby

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Community Places

Where we live matters and ACT Labor is building a better city and a stronger community by investing in our public amenities. Our community spaces help make Canberra a great place to live and enhance our lifestyles.

We have created places for Canberrans to meet, socialise, play and shop and are committed to ensuring that our community has high-quality public facilities and a range of outdoor spaces where they can spend their recreational time.

ACT Labor is committed to making sure our local shopping centres are of a good standard and provide a central meeting place in neighbourhoods. We have already upgraded the shops at Holt, Melba, Ainslie and Garran and have a forward program to bring other local shops up to modern standards.

We have also invested in improving the look and feel of the city, through upgrades in our main shopping precinct in Canberra City and surrounding streets.

Our community parks have also received a facelift, with investment in the upgrade of the Lake Ginninderra foreshore and Glebe Park and a significant upgrade and replanting program for local parks. ACT Labor has also equipped our parks and open spaces with BBQ and picnic equipment, so Canberrans can enjoy a range of outdoor activities.

We know that Canberrans value the high quality play spaces available for children. ACT Labor has improved 68 playgrounds, including those at Turner, Isaacs, Ainslie, Spence, Latham, Evatt, Flynn, Kambah, Fadden, Florey, Weetangera, Bruce and Chifley. And ACT Labor installed the ACT's first liberty swing, for children with a disability, at Black Mountain Peninsula.

Through our strong economic management, ACT Labor has been able to deliver this – and much more – to improve our community spaces and public amenities. ACT Labor will continue these programs to ensure that Canberrans can enjoy the best lifestyle in one of Australia's most liveable cities.

Jon Stanhope
Chief Minister

John Hargreaves
Minister for Territory and Municipal Services

A Proud Record of Building Community Places

Canberra is a truly sustainable and creative city and national capital. We have a community that is socially inclusive and which acknowledges and supports those who are vulnerable and in need and enabling all to reach their full potential.

Canberra is also a centre of economic growth and innovation and is proudly the nation's capital city and home of its pre-eminent cultural institutions.

And Canberra is a place of great natural beauty with a proud history of balance between development and sustainability.

Our pristine natural environment is one of the things that make Canberra such a great place to live. Canberrans value the open spaces and outdoor facilities that are in our community.

ACT Labor has a great track record in adding to the amenity of Canberra's open spaces through the addition of 1500 extra hectares of nature parks, as well as maintaining and upgrading local neighbourhood parks and playgrounds.

Over the last term, the ACT Labor Government has implemented a series of master plans for Canberra's town and district parks, the most notable being the upgrade of Glebe Park, at a cost of \$1.37 million, with park furniture improvements, pathway improvements, new stage facility, new play facilities and shade and a tree planting program.

Our Record:

ACT Labor has:

- Upgraded 68 playspaces including those in Turner, Isaacs, Ainslie, Spence, Latham, Evatt, Flynn, Kambah, Fadden, Florey, Weetangera, Bruce and Chifley;
- Upgraded the Melba, Garran and Ainslie Shopping Centres and started consultation on the refurbishment of the Deakin Shopping Centre;
- Held popular 'round town' events in our local parks;
- Replaced drought affected plantings with more drought tolerant species;
- To the end of 2006 had planted 4,465,905 trees in non-urban areas and planted 30,160 trees in urban areas;
- Completed stage two of the Belconnen lakeshore refurbishment;
- Installed the ACT's first liberty swing for disabled children at Black Mountain Peninsula;
- Restored and improved the *Sanctuary @ Tidbinbilla*; and
- Updated the *Get out There Guide* brochure.

In the latest Budget for 2008/09, ACT Labor mapped out a four year program of expenditure of \$2.2 million to upgrade local and district parks across the Territory, including:

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- \$50,000 to design and construct a jetty and associated equipment for use by Sailability ACT as well as the general community at Lake Tuggeranong;
- New BBQs and picnic facilities to be installed at various district parks, including Yerrabi Pond Park, Glebe Park, Lennox Gardens, Eddison Park, Fadden Pines and Point Hut Pond Park with landscape improvements to John Knight Park BBQ areas;
- \$1.6 million towards renewal of 16 playspaces in local and district parks in Belconnen, Inner North, Oaks Estate, Woden and Tuggeranong;
- The installation of two new Liberty Wheelchair Swings –in North Canberra and Tuggeranong;
- New fitness trails to be installed at Eddison Park and John Knight Park, as well as a new flying fox for John Knight Park;
- \$390,000 to improve the Belconnen Skate Park;
- Two new dog exercise enclosures, one in Belconnen and the other in Tuggeranong. These enclosures will be fully fenced with gate access, water, signage, seating and short exercise courses for owners to train their dogs;
- 12 new mowers and 11 new trucks to help keep our City looking great. The ACT Government mows over 4,300 hectares of grass throughout the year, and these new mowers will assist in delivering an improved mowing program;
- An additional \$1.5 million to maintain young trees and remove hazardous and dead trees;
- New and replacement screen plantings along the fence lines of major arterial roads to discourage graffiti;
- Funding to refurbish shrub beds and replace worn turf areas with more durable landscapes materials to revitalise these high use landscapes in district and neighbourhood shopping centres;
- \$210,000 for the refurbishment of aging furniture in parks and shopping centres; and
- \$200,000 for an outdoor performance venue at Tuggeranong Town Park plus a grant of \$10,000 per annum to the Tuggeranong Arts Community to manage the venue;

Moving Forward

ACT Labor will build on these initiatives to ensure our rolling program of upgrades and building for community spaces continues. By investing in these improvements and providing more opportunities for customers to give feedback on Territory and Municipal Services, ACT Labor will build a better city and a stronger community with high-quality local facilities across Canberra.

Upgrading our parks

ACT Labor will spend \$8.1 million on masterplans for the improvement of a number of town and district parks, to make sure that these important community facilities are of high amenity and are attractive for Canberrans to use.

Town and district parks to be covered under this program include:

Black Mountain Peninsula District Park

The improvement program for Black Mountain Peninsula District Park will include new play facilities with covered shade structures, to provide an even better place for young families to visit. ACT Labor will also ensure that the needs of children with a disability are catered for in the design of new play equipment.

Black Mountain Peninsula District Park will also see improvements to the BBQ areas, as well as an upgrade to the lookout area. To encourage visitors to the area, ACT Labor will upgrade the car parks and roadway as well as install a new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway. The natural amenity will also be improved through a tree planting program and improvements to the Nara Grove area.

Eddison Park

ACT Labor will continue the upgrade program for this important community space in the Woden Valley by providing a new walking pathway network and will reinstate the bridge connection over the pond. A new play and BBQ area will also be installed to encourage users.

Weston Park

A range of improvements will be made to this popular public space in Yarralumla, including a new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway and improvements to the car park area. ACT Labor will build a better family space by installing new play facilities with shade structures and will also upgrade and expand the BBQ and picnic areas.

Tuggeranong District Park

ACT Labor will continue its commitment to providing high-quality community spaces in Tuggeranong by funding the construction of an outdoor performance venue to the value of \$200,000. ACT Labor will also improve the

BBQ and picnic areas and construct new play facilities with shade structures. A new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway will be constructed and improvements will be made to the car park area.

Haig Park

ACT Labor will continue the improvement of Haig Park by planting new trees and renewing the grassed areas and log boundaries to create even better community spaces. In addition, ACT Labor will upgrade the BBQs and public toilets and replace the outdoor furniture.

Improving our local shopping centres

ACT Labor is committed to a rolling program of improvements to Canberra's neighbourhood shopping precincts. ACT Labor will continue the Precinct Refurbishment Program and will consult with the local community on what they want their local shops to be like.

Over the past year, the ACT Labor Government has carried out work at Melba, Garran and Ainslie Shopping Centres and consultation has proceeded in relation to Deakin Shopping Centre.

ACT Labor will continue to assess shopping centres for upgrade by applying a range of criteria, including the age and condition of their infrastructure, relevant health and safety issues and local crime statistics.

ACT Labor will commit \$11.5 million over the next term to conduct the following rolling program of shopping centre upgrades:

- Waramanga
- Lyons
- Red Hill
- Farrer
- Banks
- Scullin
- Lyneham
- Charnwood (local)
- Theodore
- Chapman
- Cook
- Griffith
- Torrens

New customer feedback measures

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will introduce an enhanced customer feedback service for Canberrans to report problems such as graffiti, potholes, broken paving and street lighting. Through a web-based service called Fix My Street, ACT Labor will provide a one-stop point for customers to alert Territory and Municipal Services to problems in their neighbourhood.

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Integrated Transport

ACT Labor is building a better city and a stronger community by making massive investments in Canberra's transport infrastructure.

Our public transport system is going from strength to strength thanks to ACT Labor's investment of more than \$243 million into improving our ACTION bus network and services. ACT Labor has completely reformed the ACTION service with a new network, improved buses, better concession fares and plans for a new ticketing system.

As part of our commitment to tackling climate change we have introduced a range of improvements to our ACTION fleet, including replacing our bus fleet with fuel-efficient vehicles, providing more Park and Ride options for commuters and allowing bicycle riders to travel for free on ACTION buses, if they use the on-bus bike racks. We are also looking at ways of increasing sustainable public transport options by investigating the feasibility of a light rail network for Canberra, in collaboration with the Federal Government.

We have already formulated and funded the ACT's first strategic bus replacement program and will spend \$58 million on 116 new buses to make our ACTION fleet greener.

The new ACTION *Network 08* is attracting an average of 24,000 passengers on weekdays.

The ACT Labor Government has also made it easier for older Canberrans to access bus services. We have introduced new concession fares for seniors and have also invested \$300,000 in the Gold Card that allows people aged over 75 to travel for free on an ACTION bus.

ACT Labor has also invested in other transport improvements, to ensure safe and easy travel by car around our city, and to help people leave the car at home, through alternative transport options, such as high-quality bike paths and pedestrian areas.

The *Building the Future* infrastructure program announced in the 2008 Budget includes \$250 million over the next five years for investment in transport system infrastructure.

The ACT Labor Government has also released its Integrated Transport Framework and Action Plan which will provide net benefits for the ACT economy by improving the efficiency of the whole transport system, address traffic congestion, minimise the level of transport emissions and provide the ACT community with better transport options.

ACT Labor has been able to do all of this – and deliver much more – because we have been responsible economic managers and have invested in real improvements to the ACT's transport system. We know there is more to be

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done to progress our integrated transport program and provide the best quality transport options for Canberrans.

Jon Stanhope
Chief Minister

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Municipal Services

A Proud Record of Investment in Canberra's Transport System

ACT Labor has long recognised that transport issues are central in planning for the future development of Canberra.

We have incorporated transport into our guiding policy documents – the *Territory Plan*, the *Spatial Plan*, the *Sustainable Transport Plan*, the *Accessible Public Transport Action Plan*, the *ACT Affordable Housing Strategy*, and *Weathering the Change – the ACT Climate Strategy 2007-2025*.

ACT Labor has made significant investments in improving public transport and transport infrastructure in the ACT; including the development of an integrated transport framework that addresses sustainable transport, public transport, road safety, the taxi system, cycleways, pedestrian access, community transport needs, car parking and road infrastructure.

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ACT Labor is committed to increasing usage of a sustainable public transport system but we also recognise the reality that the car remains the main form of transport in the ACT.

Because of the spatial configuration of our city, with its wide urban spread, and the capacity of our population to own and operate motor vehicles, private car remains the most common means of transport. In the ACT nearly 84 per cent of all journeys to work by ACT residents were made by motor vehicle.

However, the improvements ACT Labor has made to the ACTION service has resulted in around five in ten ACT residents travelling on the buses in the last 12 months. We have also seen a high level of satisfaction with the overall customer service provided by ACTION.

Our Record

Since coming to office the ACT Labor Government has:

- Provided more than \$243 million for the ACTION bus service, introduced a new network that now attracts an average of 25,000 passengers per day and created the Territory's first strategic fleet replacement program;
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- o Provision for 'Park and Ride' and 'Kiss and Ride' initiatives to support the public transport system as well as introducing a wide range of concessions including pensioner discounts, Gold Card for over 75's and free travel for bike riders.

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Light Rail

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will continue to negotiate with the Commonwealth to obtain funding for a light rail system. This will be a major infrastructure project to be completed over a number of years and can only happen with Commonwealth funding.

At present, a study at a cost of \$560,000 is being negotiated, that will determine the costs and benefits of light rail as compared to the current ACTION service and determine the feasibility of constructing light rail infrastructure.

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Canberra's road infrastructure

Although ACT Labor will continue to work towards greater sustainable use of public transport through buses and, perhaps, light rail, road works and improvements will remain necessary and we will ensure that motorists are able to move freely around the Territory.

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Bulless, Neil

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Wednesday, 1 October 2008 10:58 AM
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Subject: FW: spendometer

Importance: High

Hi Stuart

Not sure if you already have this?

Nikki

From: Weir, Brian
Sent: Wednesday, 1 October 2008 10:56 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Lasek, Jeremy; Gosling, Geoffrey
Subject: FW: spendometer

Hi Nikki

See Geoff's comment below.

The full text of the policy is at:

<http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/files/Q0IE7DBIKH/Celebrating%20Diversity.pdf>

Thanks

Brian

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From: Gosling, Geoffrey
Sent: Wednesday, 1 October 2008 9:40 AM
To: Weir, Brian
Cc: Lasek, Jeremy; 'ACT ALP Campaign Org'
Subject: spendometer

Brian

The Libs Multicultural Policy requires the Office of Multicultural Affairs to be relocated from a building the Government owns to private, rented accommodation. This means an extra 280 sq metres of commercial office space at \$400 (approx) per metre. Needs to be added to the spendometer.

Geoff Gosling
Chief of Staff

Office of John Hargreaves MLA
Minister for Territory and Municipal Services
Minister for Housing
Minister for Multicultural Affairs

Friend, Stuart

From: Friend, Stuart
Sent: Wednesday, 1 October 2008 1:28 PM
To: Bulless, Neil
Cc: Guthrie, Marsha
Subject: FW: housing
Attachments: housing v3 011008.doc

Importance: High

Neil,

Should we be checking these in your absence?

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Subject: housing

Hi Nik

Housing for TSY to check.

ACT LABOR'S 2008 HOUSING STRATEGY
TOWARDS MORE HOUSING OPTIONS FOR CANBERRANS

Labor has a vision for Canberra for the next four years

Labor's vision is for a city where everyone is housed appropriately and affordably and where the needs of an ageing community are catered for and anticipated.

Labor's vision is to reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness and to provide pathways into long-term, secure housing for those in greatest need.

Labor's vision is for a robust social housing system that provides high quality accommodation and support options for its tenants.

Labor's vision is for a city where the aspiration of home ownership can be satisfied, but which caters too for renters, for those in community housing, for those in public housing, for Canberrans with disabilities, and for the ageing.

Our achievements

In its first term, Labor delivered targeted, means-tested stamp duty concessions for first-home buyers, expanded the land release program, replaced 81 public housing properties and invested more than \$13 million in homelessness initiatives.

In April 2007, in response to a decline in affordability in most capital cities, including Canberra, Labor launched a comprehensive Affordable Housing Action Plan, featuring more than 60 separate initiatives to tackle affordability at its roots. Initiatives implemented to date include:

- the release of a record 3,400 housing blocks in 2007-08 and a new rolling five-year land release program;
- streamlined land release and approval processes, and the introduction of englobo land releases;
- a requirement that 15% of new developments be devoted to house and land packages priced between \$200,000 and \$300,000;
- targeted stamp duty concessions for low-income earners and stamp duty exemptions for pensioners moving to more appropriate accommodation;
- a 20% increase in the stamp duty income ceiling – households with incomes upto \$120,000 are now eligible for the Home Buyer Concession Scheme;
- Deferral of stamp duty for up to 5 years;
- land rent, to enable families on incomes as modest as \$50,000 to purchase their own home;
- an invitation to institutional investors to build affordable private rental accommodation;
- a boost to community housing, with an equity injection of \$40 million and a revolving loan facility of \$50 million;
- more targeted use of public housing - 87 per cent of new allocations are made to applicants in urgent need, compared with just 38 per cent nationally;
- improving the energy efficiency of public housing to reduce bills for tenants;
- a pilot program to help young tenants build supportive community networks;
- two demonstration villages to showcase affordable land and housing packages; and
- a design award for excellence in affordable housing.

Labor is now working on Phase II of our Affordable Housing Action Plan, focusing on affordable accommodation for older Canberrans – particularly those of modest means – and the homeless.

In addition to this Labor has:

- Increased indexation to community sector funding annually, which has risen to 4%, to maintain the viability of the sector to ensure that high-quality services continue to be provided to the Canberra community;

- Provided \$4.4 million for the ACT's most disadvantaged through the Community Inclusion Fund;
- Invested \$2 million over 4 years to Anglicare's Junction Youth Health services in Tuggeranong and Gungahlin to employ two Youth Health Nurses and two Youth Health Workers to improve the health and well-being of young people in these areas;
- Invested \$1.9 million recurrent to provide new 24-hour step-up, step-down innovative model of mental health facilities for both adults and youth. The youth facility was the first of its kind in the country;
- Provided \$3.9 million to fund 14 youth homelessness services. This investment has include the innovative Couch Surfing, Transitional Support for Young People Exiting Detention and the Outreach Support Young People Transition to Independence projects to support young homeless people;
- Invested \$9 million per year into the services and support for the homeless, in addition to the Commonwealths \$6 million annual investment;
- Increased supported accommodation places for families by over 30 per cent to to 124 in 2007-08;
- Invested close to \$1 million in an Early Morning Drop in Centre at Pilgrim Place since 2004;
- Negotiated and agreed a Social Compact with the sector;
- Introduced a Charter of Rights for the homeless;
- Increased funding to homelessness by 74% since 2001;
- Successfully implemented Breaking the Cycle – the ACT Homelessness Strategy;
- Improved housing services and implementing reforms aimed at providing a more targeted and responsive system to the needs of Housing ACT tenants;
- introduced revised housing assistance legislation and a new Public Rental Housing Assistance Program which more effectively provides housing to those most in need in the community;
- Significantly cut waiting times by 66 per cent, for those most in need waiting for public housing;
- Increased public housing property numbers from 11,454 to 11,551;
- Housing applicants in need of priority housing (as at 2 September 2008) within 52 days compared to in excess of 9 months under the previous allocation system;
- Effectively developed links with community organisations, in particular with the homelessness sector in building on a service continuum that supports people as they transition from homelessness into sustainable public housing tenancies;
- Implemented Breaking the Cycle – the ACT Homelessness Strategy – the Government's key policy commitment to improving responses to homelessness;
- implemented a Transitional Housing Program which ensures that clients exiting crisis accommodation can continue to receive critical support services while waiting for longer term housing options;
- more effectively utilised housing stock by encouraging residents to move to properties which better meet their needs; and
- Introduced a regulatory framework for non-profit housing providers to help protect the rights of tenants living in properties managed by not-for-profit providers.

What Labor delivered in its most recent Budget 2008-09 to help more Canberrans into homes

In the 2008-09 Budget the ACT Labor Government has:

- Boosted community housing with an equity injection of \$40 million and a revolving loan facility of \$50 million;
- Provided greater support for children in public housing by undertaking a needs assessment to ensure that public housing appropriately takes account of the needs of children in the allocation of properties;
- Improved the energy efficiency of public housing and accelerated work to improve water efficiency of public housing by providing \$20m over 10 years;
- Provided an additional 52 dwelling units for public housing and a further 26 will be provided by the final funding instalment of \$10m in 2008-09;

- Approved a budget for capital expenditure on public housing in 2008-2009 of \$82.6 million; and
- Provided additional homelessness services for women over 55 with an additional \$40,000 invested.

What a re-elected ACT Labor Government will do to increase housing options for Canberrans

Increasing the supply of affordable housing in our city

Require 20 per cent of all new estates to be made up of affordable housing, under \$300,000

ACT Labor will increase the supply of affordable housing by requiring at least 20 per cent of all new estates to be made up of affordable house and land packages under \$300,000.

The ACT Labor Government mandated that at least 15 per cent of all new estates be made up of affordable house and land packages, through its nation-leading *Affordable Housing Action Plan*. These affordable blocks have consistently been in high demand and been the first to sell. By increasing this requirement to 20 per cent, there will be more affordable house and land packages for homebuyers.

This is not inclusionary zoning as it requires the provision of appropriately priced homes of varying sizes in a development. The affordable homes would be made up of different products, including smaller blocks and smaller floorplans. These homes would not be affordable due to any subsidy.

Extend the affordable housing requirement to *all* types of homes, including townhouses and apartments

Labor appreciates that many Canberrans want to live closer to town centres in denser developments. ACT Labor will extend the 20% affordable housing mandate to other kinds of developments, including attached houses, apartments and townhouses.

Incentives to convert surplus C-grade office blocks to affordable housing

Canberra enjoys a low level of office vacancy. However, there is a growing demand for A-grade and B-grade space, leaving pockets of C-grade office accommodation vacant at times. Such surplus offices are often located in town centres, in areas of high demand, and could be transformed into affordable accommodation.

ACT Labor will provide incentives for owners of surplus C-grade office blocks to transform their properties into affordable housing, slashing change-of-use charges for owners who build affordable apartments in town centres and the City. Labor will reduce change-of-use charges associated with lease variations by 75 per cent for all owners of C-grade office space who agree to build affordable apartments for under \$300,000.

This will lead to greater population density around town centres which, in turn, will help our town centre thrive and provide greater opportunities for sustainable transport options such as better public transport hubs.

Increase the supply of affordable rental accommodation through the institutional investor program

ACT Labor will continue to work with institutional investors and the housing industry to deliver an extra 400 rental properties. As part of the *Affordable Housing Action Plan*, the ACT Labor Government has sought expressions of interest from institutional investors to form a partnership with government to deliver more affordable rental accommodation in Canberra.

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Expressions of interest for this initiative have been short-listed and those short-listed have been asked to expand their proposals to provide up to 400 affordable rental properties in the ACT. A re-elected ACT Labor Government will see this initiative to fruition with institutional investors selected to provide more affordable rental properties around Canberra.

Maintain a supply of release-ready land

ACT Labor will maintain an adequate supply of release-ready land. This will ensure that any sudden movements in demand for housing can be catered for through the immediate release of land which is ready to be built on.

Due to the surge in the housing market over the past few years, the supply of release-ready, ready to be built on, land has diminished. Labor will ensure that all planned future land releases have the trunk infrastructure ahead of their predicted release dates. This will mean that all new greenfields land bought will be ready to be built on immediately after settlement.

Helping more Canberrans into housing and helping them keep their homes

Establish a Mortgage Relief Fund to help Canberrans at risk of losing their homes

Rising interest rates have driven average mortgage repayments for Canberra families up by \$250 a month. Changes in the lending market have seen the rise of low-doc lenders. In the ACT, repossessions have risen by over 50 per cent, from 55 in 2004 to 83 in 2006¹. Losing a family home is devastating.

ACT Labor will establish a Mortgage Relief Fund to help households in grave mortgage stress. The program will focus on households who are experiencing difficulties with their home loan repayments, as a result of an unforeseen change in their circumstances. Labor will provide one-off payments of up to \$5,000 to households who have exhausted all other options and are at risk of losing their family home.

ACT Labor will also provide \$50,000 a year to a consumer advocacy and assistance organisations to monitor repossessions and lending practices. By obtaining detailed data, better knowledge can be gained – and passed on to the community – about the types of loans that get households into financial strife.

ACT Labor will continue to work with the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) to create uniform consumer credit regulations. National reform will eliminate loopholes and allow better regulation of the credit sector, diminishing the potential for unscrupulous lenders to take advantage of buyers.

Implement shared equity schemes to assist low-to-moderate income households become homeowners

ACT Labor is committed to implementing shared equity schemes so that public housing and community housing tenants can realise the dream of home ownership. Shared equity schemes allow households on low incomes to purchase a proportion of their homes, with the housing provider or financier providing the remaining proportion. The program will assist public housing tenants to progressively purchase their property. The program will be carefully monitored to ensure families participating avoid financial stress.

ACT Labor will continue to work with CHC Affordable Housing to establish a shared equity scheme for community housing tenants. In February 2008, the ACT Labor Government exchanged contracts with CHC Affordable Housing, the ACT's community housing provider, for a \$50 million revolving finance facility to allow CHC to provide 1,000 affordable homes for

¹ The Consumer Law Centre of the ACT and the Centre for Commercial Law ANU. "They still want to take our house - A further investigation into house repossessions in the ACT Supreme Court". December 2007

sale and rent. CHC, in consultation with Housing ACT, is investigating the provision of a shared equity scheme for community housing tenants.

ACT Labor will also continue to work with the Council of Australian Governments and the Australian Housing Ministers' Council to find a nationally collaborative approach to shared equity.

Implement a homeshare program

ACT Labor will commit \$50,000 a year to provide a homeshare program to provide accommodation for low-income singles or students, while supporting older Canberrans to remain in their homes. Due to changes in personal circumstances, many older Canberrans live alone in their family home, where their children were raised. This program will help many empty-nesters remain in their homes, as they share their home with a boarder or lodger.

\$600,000 to establish the HOME Service

One of the most common challenges in attracting prospective migrants to Canberra is accommodation. ACT Labor will commit \$600,000 to create the HOME (Housing Options and Moving Enquiries) Service. This new service will be a one-stop shop for all enquiries related to housing in the ACT.

The HOME Service will provide advice to Canberrans and people looking to move to Canberra about where they can get access to housing whether they're looking to buy or rent. It will also point people in the direction of relevant concessions and options they have when buying their own home, such as land rent. The service will provide information about upcoming land releases and when englobo housing developments are due for sale direct to homebuyers.

The HOME Service will operate within the *Live in Canberra* unit to provide housing information to intending and existing residents.

Continue to fully implement the Affordable Housing Action Plan and embark on Phase two with a focus on aged accommodation and homelessness

ACT Labor will fully implement all of the first phase of its Affordable Housing Action Plan. Labor will continue its accelerated land release program aimed at stabilising the cost of land and housing in the ACT. We will continue to monitor the land supply pipeline to ensure that there are appropriate responses to land supply in the future. Labor will continue to work with CHC Affordable Housing to ensure it delivers up to 1,000 affordable dwellings by 2017. Labor will continue to develop innovative examples of sustainable and accessible housing to encourage more options for sustainable living in our neighbourhoods. We will continue to fund the affordable housing design awards to inspire and encourage innovative affordable housing design.

Building on our nation-leading Affordable Housing Action Plan, a re-elected Labor Government will embark on Phase II, focusing on affordable accommodation options for older Canberrans, particularly those on modest incomes, along with the homeless.

Labor will explore, report on and implement, in collaboration with industry and the community, innovative options for providing affordable and appropriate accommodation for an ageing population, including 'virtual villages', group houses, and other options for ageing in the community.

Labor will continue to work with the Commonwealth

ACT Labor will continue to work through COAG, to implement the Commonwealth Rent Assistance Scheme, currently being reviewed by the COAG Housing Working Group. Labor will work together with other jurisdictions to review tax regimes through a new National Affordable Housing Agreement and will continue to work to address homelessness and supported accommodation through the Coalition of Australian Governments.

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Helping more Canberrans find a place to call home

\$720,000 for expansions to Transitional Housing

ACT Labor will provide \$720,000 over for years to expand the Transitional Housing Program for Canberrans experiencing or at risk of homelessness and also to support refugees.

The Transitional Housing Program has been a success story for those Canberrans experiencing or at risk of homelessness providing transitional accommodation for those moving out of crisis to long-term, settled living. Transitional houses, provided by ACT Housing, are matched with resourcing for outreach services provided by local Canberra NGO's.

ACT Labor will provide an additional \$80,000 per year for an expansion to the existing program and will seek to address a gap in housing for families, particularly women with children escaping domestic violence.

We will also provide \$400,000 to expand the Refugee Transitional Housing Program, a partnership between Companion House, Centacare and Housing ACT. ACT Labor will double the number of homes available for the program from 8 to 16 and will include additional outreach support and material assistance for clients in transitioning to longer-term housing arrangements.

\$600,000 Upgrade of Homeless Food Services

The Pilgrim House Early Morning Centre provides a vital food service for Canberra's rough sleepers. ACT Labor has prioritised funding to this service, recognising its ability to assist services engage with our homeless living on the streets. ACT Labor will build further on our investment with a \$600,000 building upgrade at Pilgrim House to increase space and enhance facilities for the service.

ACT Labor will also work with the Pilgrim House management to examine the creation of a dinner service at Pilgrim House.

Community Outreach for rough sleepers, particularly young people

Complimenting our investment for food services for rough sleepers, ACT Labor will commit \$800,000 over 4 years to fund community outreach workers, equipped with transport, to travel around the city to known 'hang-outs' of rough sleepers. These community workers will concentrate particularly on places where young people frequent, such as shopping centres, libraries and nature reserves.

Introduce a program to voluntarily transfer public housing tenants to housing that better matches their needs

Following extensive community consultation, guidelines for this voluntary program have been developed which include consideration of individual circumstances, tenant preferences and possible assistance with removal expenses.

Continue to house tenants into public housing as soon as possible

ACT Labor will continue to house Canberrans most in need who apply for public housing as soon as possible. New waiting list categories were introduced in June 2006 ensuring that those most in need were housed in less time. Applicants are now assessed according to need and whether their circumstances meet the criteria for Priority, High Needs or Standard housing. Canberrans who are Priority or High Needs include those families who are homeless, have mental health issues, serious medical issues or a disability, or may be frail-aged. These applicants may also include people with a disability where the natural support

systems are at risk of breaking down, women (with or without children) escaping domestic violence, indigenous people facing complex issues and families with children at risk.

The average waiting time for those most in need is now around 50 days as compared to over nine months under the previous system.

Continue to make public housing more sustainable

ACT Labor is committed to making our public housing more sustainable and energy efficient through a \$10 million investment over 10 years. Labor will continue to implement this rolling program to provide more sustainable housing facilities for our tenants. These improvements include improvements to wall and ceiling insulation and energy efficiency of hot water systems and heating appliances.

This builds on Labor's commitment of \$500,000 over the past two years to improve water efficiency in our public housing. Funding for water efficiency improvements to public housing of \$0.5m over 2 years (2007-2008 and 2008-2009) has provided dual flush toilets, water saving shower heads, flow retardation devices and boundary limiting valves.

Through these energy modifications by ACT Labor not only will public housing dwellings be more energy efficient, the cost of living for those on lesser incomes will also be reduced.

\$1 million for Building Housing Partnerships

ACT Labor will provide \$1 million over four years to support young people, aged persons, vulnerable families, and Indigenous families residing in public and community housing, and transitioning from homelessness through the Building Housing Partnerships initiative. This initiative will help to break cycles of homelessness and disadvantage through providing additional support such as:

- living skills programs for vulnerable families, including support to find training and employment
- assistance for elderly tenants with minor household tasks and to maintain social contact with the community, to facilitate ageing in place,
- tailored housing support for tenants with diverse needs
- culturally appropriate support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families
- Extension of the Youth Housing Program to assist young people in public housing to re-establish links with education and training and to find employment

Labor acknowledges that there are a range of factors which contribute to people and families experiencing housing difficulty, which is why our Housing policy is backed by strong community development, family support, employment and skills and education policies that will assist Canberrans address challenges they may experience in their lives.

Protecting Canberrans in their homes

\$100,000 seed funding for Kids Under Cover

Kids Under Cover won the 2008 Victoria Day Award for Community and Public Service. They provide an early-intervention model to assist families in crisis stay together with temporary accommodation for young people and the provision of support services. ACT Labor will provide Kids Under Cover with \$100,000 seed funding to establish a hub in Canberra.

Labor will increase awareness about rental bidding

Competition for rental properties in the ACT has been strong over recent years. This has led to an anecdotal increase in rental bidding - when an agent invites a prospective tenant to bid more than the advertised price, when an agent advertises a property with a price range, or when there is no rental price advertised. While rental bidding - rent auctions - are illegal under existing ACT law, Labor believes an information campaign will help inform Canberrans about the effects of rental bidding.

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ACT Labor will commit \$50,000 a year towards a campaign to inform and educate real estate agents on rental bidding and the harmful effects it can have on renters. The campaign will also target renters informing them of the impact that rental bidding can have on the rents that they pay.

Labor will look after our ageing

As our community ages, more Canberrans will make the choice to relocate to retirement villages or other residential aged care facilities. ACT Labor will explore avenues for legislating to protect the financial and other rights of Canberrans purchasing homes in retirement villages, including the rights of those who seek to leave such villages. These laws will build on work and community consultation already begun by Labor backbencher Mary Porter MLA.

Continue to work with all concerned to address disruptive behaviour in public housing

ACT Labor believes that all Canberrans have the right to feel safe and secure in their homes. Labor will continue to protect the rights of all Canberrans in their homes, including public housing tenants.

Labor recognises that governments have a social responsibility to assist people and those around them to resolve issues through support services such as anger management and alcohol and drug counselling. A recent amendment to the *Residential Tenancies Act* provides additional options other than an application for eviction if support programs are unable to remedy the situation.

ACT Labor will continue to work with community support providers to provide support services to public housing tenants who are experiencing difficulties with their neighbours.

Friend, Stuart

From: Friend, Stuart
Sent: Thursday, 2 October 2008 9:12 AM
To: Bulless, Neil
Subject: FW: housing

Neil,

Just spoke to Nikki

All that she is aware to be released over the weekend is:
- IR on Monday, there should be too much in this; and
- Community policing on Tuesday, again shouldn't be too much.

We will get copies of these before the weekend.

Nikki will also keep me posted if anything changes.

Regards

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To: Bulless, Neil
Subject: RE: housing

Neil,

I checked the numbers of housing yesterday, and raised a point of concern with KA, who was going to run with getting some feedback to the office.

As yet to run me through his discussion with Megan, I will give you an update as soon as I can.

I'll talk to Nikki about weekend announcements and arrange for our staff to be in early on Tuesday, as well as seeing what can be done for agency staff.

Regards

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To: Friend, Stuart; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: Re: housing

PS what will do about getting agency advice and inputs to the Tally Sheets (as a minimum we'll require a number of key people to start very early on Tuesday).
Can you also talk to Nikki about early heads up on any weekend announcements.

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From: Bulless, Neil
To: Friend, Stuart
Sent: Thu Oct 02 00:05:11 2008
Subject: Re: housing

Yes but we're checking numbers and facts, not giving opinions.
Can I have an update on what Megs decided to do with savings and Tally Sheets and what we'll do re policies released over the weekend, noting that we'll probably be publishing on Tuesday.

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Friend, Stuart

From: Pulford, Nikki
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To: Friend, Stuart

Brian has asked for a copy of the labor party tally sheet.

Is that in a position to be sent over?

Friend, Stuart

From: Friend, Stuart
Sent: Friday, 3 October 2008 11:03 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Bulless, Neil; Smithies, Megan
Subject: Labor tally sheet

Nikki,

Please see attached latest version of Labor tally sheet. I understand this won't be publicly released and is requested to assist with the Ministers office keeping a tally. Please note this does not include the Ageing policy announced today.



Labor Costings
Summary - 3 Oct...

Regards

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Labor Party Tally Sheet

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGS Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-Election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424
Election commitments - Recurrent				
<i>Community</i>				
Support for Valley FM89.5		-15	-15	-15
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors			-36	-36
Migrant Resource Centre		-50	-50	-50
Emergency relief to offset rising fuel prices	-3,500			
Increased funding for the ACT Community Languages Grant Program		-25	-25	-25
Improve Migrant Transitional Housing		-100	-100	-100
Multicultural Youth Services Program		-25	-25	-25
West Belconnen Community Health Co-operative	-220			
Golden Stories		-20	-20	-20
Council of Ageing - Senior card directory		-60		
<i>Tourism</i>				
Major autumn event		-1,204	-1,234	-1,265
<i>Indigenous</i>				
Indigenous Public Service Traineeships Program		-29	-30	-31
Indigenous Leadership Grants Program		-78	-80	-82
Grandparenting - Primary Care		-39	-40	-41
Independent Facilitator for Elected Indigenous Body		-50	-51	-53
Ngunnawal Genealogy Project		-75	-75	-75
Indigenous Teachers & Teacher's Assistants attraction scheme		-160	-168	-177
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Emergency Services - Community Fire Units		-48	-118	-142
<i>Education</i>				
\$1m for gifted and talented students (support parents)	0	-62	-31	-32
\$1m for gifted and talented students (provision for GATS)	0	-85	-86	-87
\$1m for gifted and talented students (identifying students)	0	-116	-119	-122
Grants for School Parent Groups	-2,087			
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes		-3,087	-6,379	-6,836
Increased Administrative Support		-397	-413	-423
Volunteering in ACT Schools		-107	-111	-114
Landscaping			-122	-176
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre				-300
Harrison High Schools				-563
Additional IT - Pubic Schools		-94	-344	
Additional IT - Non Government Schools		-1,500	-1,000	
InSPIRE Centre			-472	-917
Cluster Literacy and Numeracy Experts		-1,986	-2,035	-2,085
English as a Second Language		-428	-883	-905
National Capital Literacy and Learning Centre		-117	-120	-123
Support for ACT Ethnic Schools		-20	-21	-21
Increased Links to Foreign Embassies		-30	-31	-32
College and High School Innovation Fund		-550	-250	
ASBAs in Schools		-350	-359	-368
Equity Funds for Disability, Literacy and Numeracy		-1,000	-1,025	-1,051
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Dickson and Kingston Master Plans	0	-220		
Introduce tourist route between major attractions		-212	-220	-230
Increase frequency of bus services		-1,756	-1,828	-1,900
Parliamentary triangle lunchtime bus service		-354	-367	-382
Additional bus shelters and seats at bus stops			-9	-9
Lanyon Drive			-167	-167
Transport Links to Gungahlin			-95	-95
Bus Lanes and Priority Measurers			-43	-43
<i>Sport and Rec</i>				
\$800,000 for Smart Start Program	0	-200	-200	-200
\$300,000 for Children's Activity Foundation	0	-300	0	0
\$8m for motorsport	0	0		
Assist elite local sporting teams participating in national league competitions		-165	-165	-165
Additional support for the Brumbles	-265			
Design work for swimming pool in Molonglo			-66	-66
Assistance for Australian School Based Apprenticeship in the sport and recreation industry		-53	-55	-57
Improvements to Griffith Oval			-30	-30
Redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields		-100	-24	-24
Upgrade and expand the Woden Gymnastics Club				-90
Redevelop ACT Tennis Centre				
<i>Health</i>				
Supporting our GP workforce		-1,500	-2,517	-3,568
New Gungahlin Community Health Centre			-3,500	-5,000
Three new "walk-in health centres"		0	-2,000	-2,080
Chronic disease management - feasibility adult and young persons		-300		
Meeting increased demand for services (cancer)		-1,000	-2,034	-3,102
Digital mammography		-1,278	-1,796	-1,858
Provision of a public mammography service		-423	-440	-457
Telephone and web-based coaching		-250	-420	-1,030

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Case Management and care coordination chronic health		-300	-814	-1,372
Patient Care register chronic health		-200	-400	-100
Home Tele Monitoring		-250	-400	-600
Aboriginal Health awareness		-1,450	-1,828	-1,906
Healthy Children		-1,350	-1,383	-1,417
Healthy Children - Obesity Awareness		-650	-667	-683
Care for smallest babies		-121	-2,123	-5,555
Doctors and Nurses Women's and Children's Hospital				
Increased access to surgery including neurosurgery		-3,238	-6,362	-9,591
Care for elder citizens		-3,316	-6,874	-10,694
E-health and smart technology				
Expand role of allied health professional, doctors, nurses etc		-500	-1,517	-2,568
More Hospital Beds and hospital in the home		-6,500	-13,941	-20,895
<i>Growth provision offset</i>		22,626	49,016	72,476
<i>Justice</i>				
Community safety CCTV partnership program		-520	-320	-326
Review Freedom of Information Law		-31	-32	-33
<i>Climate Change</i>				
Rebates for energy-efficient appliances or insulation		-717	-739	-761
Rebate for low income households		-717	-739	-761
Rebate 5 star appliances for renters		-717	-739	-761
Extend solar water rebate		-361	-370	-380
Reducing salinity in waste water		-111	-114	-116
Extend Free grey water hose program		-250		
Water efficient washing machines rebates		-361	-370	-380
Water tank rebate		-113	-116	-119
Water audits and management plans		-143	-148	-152
Green power awareness		-35	-37	-38
Smart Meters		0	0	0
Eco Buy program		-5	-49	-50
Community gardens		-20	-20	-20
Free drop off of electronic waste		-444	-464	-485
Vouchers to households to support collection of bulky waste		-359	-369	-380
Materials recycling at Mugga and Mitchell		-618	-897	-1,300
Supermarket composting handbook		-60	0	0
Small business advice		-48	-49	-51
Increase uptake of green power		-300	-307	-315
More hybrid cars in Government fleet			-120	-123
LED lighting in Civic		0	0	0
Building Council Green Star rating	-75			
Solar Schools			-73	-164
<i>Environment</i>				
Care for nature reserves		-181	-185	-190
Conserving significant private reserves	-84	-86	-88	-90
Native tree and shrub re-generation in Central Molonglo		-50	-50	-50
Lower Cotter Catchment plantings		-1,000		
<i>Existing Tree Planting Provision Offset</i>		1,000		
Indoor air quality awareness		-50		
Noise pollution awareness campaign		-50		
RSPCA new home planning		-50		
Program to reduce feral rabbits		-120	-123	-127
<i>Disability</i>				
Carers Advocacy Service		-200	-200	-200
Grandparents' support service		-200	-200	-200
Speech therapy		-910	-873	-904
Flexible Support fund		-200	-205	-210
Companion Card		-145	-92	-80
Play Therapists		-489	-464	-470
<i>Total Proposed Additional Expenditure*</i>	-6,231	-23,928	-27,689	-28,911
<i>Election commitments - Revenue</i>				
<i>Total Proposed Loss in Revenue*</i>	0	0	0	0
<i>Election commitments - Savings</i>				
<i>Total Proposed Savings*</i>	0	0	0	0
Total Recurrent Impact	-6,231	-23,928	-27,689	-28,911
GGS Net Operating Balance (after announcements)	67,546	24,109	23,838	25,513

* Costs are indicative and are to be refined

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Proposed Capital Projects				
Election Commitment				
<i>Community</i>				
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors	-190	-1,400		
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Emergency Services - Community Fire Units		-143	-146	
<i>Education</i>				
Landscaping			-1,500	-3,500
Harrison High School		-15,600	-15,600	
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre		-500	-1,500	-3,000
Additional IT - Public Schools		-1,500	-2,500	-1,000
InSPIRE Centre			-100	-104
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes			-6,000	
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Additional bus shelters and seats at bus stops		-140		
Solar Power Plant			0	0
Rejuvenate City Centre - Sydney and Melbourne Buildings		-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Lanyon Drive		-5,000		
Transport Links to Gungahlin		-2,850		
Bus Lanes and Priority Measurers		-1,307		
<i>Sport and Rec</i>				
Gungahlin Pool Complex		-1,000	-9,000	-10,000
Redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields		-2,000		
Redevelop ACT Tennis Centre		-4,500	0	
Improvements to Griffith Oval		-1,000		
Develop a new basketball stadium and player amenities			-500	-2,500
Upgrade and expand the Woden Gymnastics Club		-550		
<i>Health</i>				
Free Mammography service		-285		
New and Refurbished Community Health facilities		0	0	0
Integrated Cancer Centre of Excellence		0	0	0
400 additional beds		0	0	0
11 Operating Theatres and three endoscopy suites		0	0	0
Two new emergency departments		0	0	0
New Skills Development Centre		0	0	0
E-health technology		0	0	0
<i>Climate Change</i>				
Solar Schools		-729	-911	-360
<i>Environment</i>				
Care for nature reserves		-408	-271	-271
		Existing capital provision offset	40,912	40,028
				22,735
Total Proposed Capital Projects*	-190	0	0	0

Friend, Stuart

From: Friend, Stuart
Sent: Friday, 3 October 2008 4:10 PM
To: Smithies, Megan; Bulless, Neil
Cc: Guthrie, Marsha; Bain, Glenn
Subject: Ministers Office - Cabinet in Confidence

Importance: High

Neil, Megan

To keep you in the loop, Brian Weir called about the Environment numbers in the tally sheet. They noted that we had re-profiled the numbers, which I explained was based on the statements in the policy announcement.

Brian identified that Treasury has made some small errors on the profiling. I asked that they get us a marked up version, and we would consider on a commitment by commitment basis in view of the policy statements.

They are looking for a quick turn around, once we get this. I indicated we would look and see what could be done but couldn't commit to getting them something back today.

Stuart

STUART FRIEND | A/g DIRECTOR | BUDGET MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS BRANCH
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Bulless, Neil

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Tuesday, 7 October 2008 3:45 PM
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Attachments: 20081007153501430.pdf

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From: nikki [<mailto:nikki.pulford@act.gov.au>]
Sent: Tuesday, 7 October 2008 6:35 PM
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Canberra's **best team** for the future



Integrated Transport

A Proud Record of Investment in Canberra's Transport System

ACT Labor recognises that transport is central to any planning for the future development of our city.

That's why we have incorporated transport into our guiding policy documents – the *Territory Plan*, the *Spatial Plan*, the *Sustainable Transport Plan*, the *Accessible Public Transport Action Plan*, the *ACT Affordable Housing Strategy*, and *Weathering the Change – the ACT Climate Strategy 2007-2025*. Our long-term vision has been outlined in the Integrated Transport Framework, released in August 2008, which focuses on improving efficiency right across the transport system, addressing traffic congestion, minimising emissions and giving the community greater transport options.

ACT Labor has made significant investments in improving public transport and transport infrastructure, including developing an integrated transport framework that draws together sustainable transport, public transport, road safety, the taxi system, cycleways, pedestrian access, community transport needs, car parking and road infrastructure.

As part of ACT Labor's *Building the Future* program, announced in the 2008/09 Budget, we are investing \$250 million over the next five years in transport infrastructure.

ACT Labor is determined to make a sustainable public transport system a real option for Canberrans, but also recognises the reality that the car will remain as the main form of transport for many.

The legacy of our physical sprawl and our relative affluence mean the private car remains the most common means of transport, with nearly 84% of all Canberrans making their way to work by car.

Still, improvements ACT Labor has made to the ACTION service have seen one in two Canberrans travel by bus over the past 12 months, and there's now a high level of satisfaction with ACTION's overall customer service.

Our Record

Since coming to office the ACT Labor Government has:

- Provided more than \$243 million for the ACTION bus service:
 - Formulated and funded the Territory's first strategic bus replacement program with an initial investment of \$58 million for 116 new buses;
 - Introduced an improved timetable and route system called Network 08 at a cost of \$38.9 million, which now attracts an average of 25,000 passengers a day;
- Completed the Gungahlin Drive Extension, the largest single road construction project since self-government;
- Invested more than \$3 million to extend and repair Canberra's cycleways, including on-road cycleways;

Capital Works/Capital Upgrade - Community Paths 2001 to 2008

Year Completed	Project	Total \$'000
2001-02	Bicycle Path Rehabilitation	490
2001-02	City Walk Ext to Marcus Clarke	83
2001-02	Footpath Rehabilitation	500
2001-02	Footpath rehabilitation in established areas	406
2001-02	MNW - Cyclepaths and footpaths	118
2002-03	On-Road Cycling (Monaro Highway - Symonston)	1,025
2003-04	Footpath Rehabilitation (2001-02)	650
2002-03	Pedestrian Link to Sound Archive	86
2003-04	Bike Path Rehabilitation (2002-03)	453
2003-04	Garema Place Refurbishment	652
2004-05	Bike Path - Gungahlin to City	211
2004-05	Honour Walk	15
2004-05	Bikepath and Footpath Rehabilitation	97
2004-05	City Walk West Stage 1	1,270
2004-05	On Road Cycling - Woden to Dickson	717
2005-06	Cycle and pedestrian facilities	700
2006-07	Cycle and pedestrian facilities	700
2007-08	Cycle and pedestrian facilities	720
Total		6,773

Capital Works Upgrade

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Bulless, Neil

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Tuesday, 7 October 2008 9:26 AM
To: Bulless, Neil
Subject: RE: Urgent - re Solar Farm

Not that Im aware. The CM DLO is away for two weeks and no one here would know.

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Monday, 6 October 2008 11:28 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki; Bain, Glenn; Friend, Stuart
Subject: Urgent - re Solar Farm
Importance: High

Hi

Is CMD running the solar farm process going forward?

Neil

Bulless, Neil

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Thursday, 9 October 2008 12:03 PM
To: Smithies, Megan; Bulless, Neil
Subject: Campaign Launch

FYI

Liberals is this Sunday
Labor, this Monday

Nikki

Bulless, Neil

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Thursday, 9 October 2008 12:02 PM
To: Smithies, Megan; Bulless, Neil
Subject: FW: policies
Attachments: Planning Policy 08 Final.doc; Skills and Training Policy 08.doc; Community places policy 08.doc

From: Hummel, Gabrielle
Sent: Thursday, 9 October 2008 11:52 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Subject: policies

Hi Nikki

Here are the skills and training, parks etc and planning policies which will be announced over the next few days. Neil has already seen the parks policy.

Final versions of business and housing to follow asap.

cheers

Gaby

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Planning

ACT Labor believes having a well planned city is about making life as good as it can be for our community. While planning can be complex issue, ACT Labor believes the aim of good planning policy is very clear – to build a better city and a stronger community.

Canberra is one of the world's great planned cities and ACT Labor believes in maintaining our unique place in the world with good planning policies that strike a balance between the need to house Canberrans and grow as a city, while at the same time protecting our quality of life and our environment.

Since coming to office, ACT Labor has managed the growth of our city, recognising that we need to expand in a sustainable way. We have set the city on a course that sees both new developments on the outskirts of our city such as in Gungahlin, as well as in inner areas such as East Lake and Molonglo. We also recognise the need for new housing, especially affordable housing, to be available in our suburbs, close to town centres and the city.

ACT Labor has been responding to Canberra's changing demographics and is providing for a more diverse range of housing options for our community with more flexible planning policies to allow for these demands to be met.

The ACT Labor Government established the independent Planning and Land Authority and vested power in this independent Authority to make decisions regarding development assessment.

ACT Labor has also reformed our planning system and has introduced new planning regulations that aim to protect the amenity of life in our suburbs while at the same time providing the diverse housing options needed by a changing Canberra.

Our policy balances the community need for new and different housing close to town centres and transport links, while at the same time protecting the quality of life in our suburbs.

Only ACT Labor will strike the right balance between growing and developing our city while at the same time maintaining quality of life for Canberrans.

With these reforms, Canberra has maintained its reputation of being a great planned city. We lead Australia in implementing new reforms to make planning simpler for all those involved and we also lead the nation in our response to creating more affordable housing for our citizens.

Jon Stanhope
Chief Minister

Andrew Barr
Minister for Planning

A Proud Record of Planning for a Better City and a Stronger Community

Since being elected in 2001, ACT Labor has managed the growth of our city, recognising that we need to grow in a sustainable way. We have set the city on a course that sees both new developments on the outskirts of our city such as in Gungahlin, as well as in inner areas such as East Lake and Molonglo. We also recognise the need for new housing, especially affordable housing, to be available in our suburbs, close to town centres and the city.

Canberra is experiencing demographic shifts. We now have smaller household sizes and an ageing population creating demand for a more diverse range of housing options for our community and the need for flexible planning policies that provide for these demands.

ACT Labor has also established the independent Planning and Land Authority and vested power in this independent Authority to make decisions regarding development assessment. This has ensured decisions regarding developments are independent of political interference and that decisions are being made by experts in the planning field.

ACT Labor has reformed our planning system. We have done this so that planning is focused on preparing our community for the challenge of climate change, making housing more affordable and making it easier to do business in the territory through system simpler, faster and more effective planning regulation.

ACT Labor has introduced new planning regulations that aim to protect the amenity of life in our suburbs while at the same time providing the diverse housing options needed by a changing Canberra. Following years of unrestricted and rampant over-development in our suburbs under the previous Liberal Government, ACT Labor has introduced the Garden City provisions. This policy has protected 85% of our suburban areas from re-development. The provisions also ensure that where re-development does occur in our suburbs there are links to shops, open space and transport.

Our policy balances the community need for new and different housing close to town centres and transport links, while at the same time protecting the quality of life in our suburbs. These provisions also provide opportunities for Canberrans looking for more affordable housing, such as townhouses, to access that accommodation in areas other than the fringes of our city. For older Canberrans, it means many can move into smaller and more manageable accommodation in the areas they have lived and raised families, rather than having to move to outer suburbs.

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Ensuring an independent planning voice

ACT Labor believes decisions regarding development in our city are best removed from political imperatives.

ACT Labor has:

- Established the statutorily independent Planning and Land Authority. This independent Authority is responsible for all assessment of developments and all decision making regarding allowing developments to go ahead; and
- Established the position of the Chief Planning Executive, employed to advise government and the community on planning issues in the Territory.

Laying out a planning vision

ACT Labor believes in the need to balance the development and growth of Canberra with the environmental and social sustainability of our community. We also believe in informing the community of the direction planning in the ACT is taking.

ACT Labor has:

- Established and released *The Canberra Plan*, to guide the development of Canberra over the coming generation;
- Developed and released *The Canberra Spatial Plan* to provide the community with information about the planning and development of Canberra over the next 30 years. It is the Territory's key strategic planning document for directing and managing urban growth and change and reflects the community's views on where the future of our city lies; and
- Issued its second Statement of Planning Intent in June 2007 to inform the community and guide planning policy in the ACT for coming years. ACT Labor has identified among its priorities providing affordable housing for Canberrans, responding to climate change and building Gungahlin.

Making houses more affordable

ACT Labor believes one of the most fundamental rights for a Canberrans is access to safe and affordable housing. In recent years Canberra, like many other parts of Australia, has faced a crisis in housing affordability with rising house prices and interest rates taking the dream of home ownership further away from many families.

In 2007, the ACT Labor Government produced the Affordable Housing Action Plan. This Plan comprises a number of initiatives to making housing more affordable across Canberra. The action plan included 62 initiatives to help increase the supply of affordable housing including the introduction of more compact housing, the development of a land rent scheme, increased levels of

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land supply, greater levels of community housing and more affordable housing partnerships with private sector investors.

ACT Labor along with industry and the community have achieved a great deal together, with all 62 initiatives contained in the original plan now actioned.

Since the release of the Affordable Housing Action Plan, the ACT Labor Government has:

- Released a record 3,400 blocks to the market in 2007-08 and adopted a new rolling five-year land release program;
- Streamlined land release and approval processes, and englobed land releases;
- Funded extra positions within the ACT Planning and Land Authority to discourage land banking and ensure land is being built on in a timely fashion;
- Introduced new fees for developers not meeting their statutory timeframe in building on new blocks of land;
- Mandated the delivery of house and land packages priced between \$200,000 and \$300,000;
- Provided stamp duty concessions for low-income earners and pensioners;
- Increased the stamp duty income threshold by 20 per cent to \$120,000;
- Allowed the deferral of stamp duty payment for up to 5 years for eligible home buyers;
- Introduced the land rent provision to enable more low-income families to purchase their own home;
- Invited institutional investors to provide affordable private rental accommodation;
- Boosted community housing with an equity injection of \$40 million and a loan facility of \$50 million;
- Ensured that better and more targeted use is made of public housing - 87 per cent of new allocations are made to applicants in urgent need of housing compared with just over 38 per cent nationally;
- Implemented measures to improve the energy efficiency of the public housing stock to reduce energy costs for public housing tenants;
- Commenced a pilot program aimed at helping young tenants to build supportive community networks;
- Released two demonstration villages to showcase affordable land and housing packages; and

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- Funded a design award for excellence in affordable housing.

Responding to climate change

ACT Labor recognises that future planning of our city has a major impact on our environmental sustainability and we are committed to growing our city in a sustainable way. We have been working with the community and experts in an effort to establish planning policies and regulations that reduce our impact on the environment.

To help combat the effects of climate change on our community, ACT Labor has:

- Required all new housing to have a 5 star energy rating;
- Established the Water Sensitive Urban Design guidelines, requiring a 40% reduction in drinking water use in new developments;
- Prioritised sustainability in the design of our newest development, Molonglo. Molonglo will have ready access to major transport routes and will improve social amenities available to the existing region to Weston Creek which Molonglo will border;
- Formed a partnership with the CSIRO for the development of East Lake, ensuring the area is a nation-leading showcase of sustainability;
- Released publications designed to help Canberrans build and live in more environmentally sustainable homes including:
 - *Building better homes for Canberra's climate* which provides information about how to best orientate houses for optimal winter warmth and summer cooling thus reducing the need for energy intensive heating and cooling systems. The document also shows how to reduce energy use through insulation and glazing and how to minimise water use;
 - *Your Home: Renovator's Guide* contains useful checklists to help people improve the environmental impact of their home when renovating; and
 - *Selecting a Greener, Better House* is a checklist to help people know what to look for in a house they are considering buying or renting.

Making our planning system simpler, faster and more effective

ACT Labor has worked with industry and the community to design a planning system that cuts regulation but still allows Government to ensure that the community's environmental, social and economic future is considered in every planning decision.

ACT Labor has:

- Implemented a new planning system through the development of a new Territory Plan and a new *Planning and Development Act*;

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- Adopted a national best practice planning model to ensure the ACT leads the nation in planning processes and outcomes;
- Cut red tape by increasing the amount of simple building work which is exempt from assessment;
- Added to housing affordability by making housing in greenfield areas, that comply with the rules, exempt from the Development Assessment process;
- Simplified the system for all those who come into contact with it, with a new track system for all developments;
- Consolidated and simplified the Territory Plan to make it easier to use; and
- Signed a bilateral agreement between the ACT Labor Government and the Federal Labor Government that will see both Commonwealth and ACT environmental impact assessment requirements integrated into one joint process.

Protecting our Garden City

ACT Labor has introduced new planning regulations that aim to protect the amenity of life in our suburbs while at the same time providing housing options in our suburbs close to town centres and the city.

ACT Labor has:

- Ended the unrestrained high density re-development of our suburban streets that occurred under the previous Liberal Government by introducing the Garden City provisions; and
- Protected 85% of Canberra suburbs from high density re-development
- Recently further tightened regulations, restricting suburban streets from high-density apartment developments.

Planning for the future

ACT Labor recognises the need for our city to continue to change and develop as our community grows. Under ACT Labor, Canberra has continued to prosper as we have revitalised older parts of our city through new planning regulations, as well as built up new areas.

Civic: The heart of our city

ACT Labor believes that a strong, vibrant city centre is essential for maintaining a high quality of life for Canberrans and we have begun revitalizing our city centre in an effort to breathe life back into our city and make it a hub of activity for Canberrans.

ACT Labor has:

- Developed the Canberra Central program which has resulted in the revitalisation of city west, Childer's street and City Hill;

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- Worked with the ANU to develop the ANU Exchange in City West, creating a hub of activity and employment in that area of the city;
- Revitalised Childers Street, with new street furnishings and pavements to complement the ANU Exchange development;
- Upgraded the western end of City Walk, with new a new streetscape and paving, creating a link between eastern and western Civic;
- Released section 63 in the city for major development that can include retail, residential and commercial space; and
- Released and completed development on Section 83 in the city, with Queensland Investment Corporation bringing a major retail hub to the area as well as creating an employment centre.

Revitalising Braddon

The Braddon commercial area provides a range of services for city workers and local residents. Over the past 20 years the area has developed a unique character, merging light industry and car yards with art galleries, outdoor shops and restaurants. This transition has been gradual, resulting in a character that contrasts with other areas of the city.

ACT Labor has:

- Recognised the unique character of this area and completed a planning study to investigate how to better utilise Braddon;
- Changed planning regulations to allow for greater height limits and the better mixing of retail, residential and commercial uses; and
- Allowed for the revitalisation and modernisation of Braddon through planning outcomes that encourage more use of the area by Canberrans, making the area more cosmopolitan.

More services and better infrastructure for Gungahlin

Recognising the rapid growth of the Gungahlin community and the demand for community facilities and infrastructure, ACT Labor has expedited the delivery of several community facilities.

ACT Labor has:

- Provided for employment growth in Gungahlin town centre by increasing the amount of commercial land that will be released in coming years and removing the height restrictions on buildings, so as to encourage a commonwealth agency to relocate to Gungahlin;
- Completed the Gungahlin Town Centre Planning Study and consulted with the Gungahlin community on future development of the Town Centre;
- Provided \$61.7 million for a new secondary college in Gungahlin. This includes a joint secondary college, community library and CIT campus;
- Funded the design of an enclosed oval for Gungahlin. This competition facility is to be designed to accommodate AFL as well as rectangular football codes like league, union and soccer;

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- Committed \$20 million, if re-elected, to the building an aquatic centre for Gungahlin, including a 50m pool and courts for indoor sport;
- Invested over \$325,000 to design a public park to be located with the Gungahlin College; and
- Invested \$18 million for the construction of a community health centre in Gungahlin.

Modernising Belconnen

ACT Labor has recognised that Belconnen Town Centre is in need of revitalization.

ACT Labor has:

- Changed the planning guidelines for Belconnen to allow a major town centre upgrade which will include an expansion and reconfiguration of Belconnen Westfield; and
- Committed \$16 million over the next three years to replace the Belconnen bus interchange with a new facility fully integrated with Belconnen Mall. This will allow safer and more convenient access to the bus interchange from the shopping centre.

Rejuvenating Woden

ACT Labor recognises the need to draw more people to Woden Town Centre to live, work and relax.

ACT Labor has:

- Changed planning regulations to reflect the Woden Town Centre Master Plan to allow for a wider range of development in the Centre;
- Protected the Phillip Pool and Ice Skating Rink in the Territory Plan, ensuring the continuation of recreation facilities for the Woden community;
- Invested over \$3m in upgrading Phillip Oval;
- Committed, if re-elected, to providing a performing arts centre at Canberra College for wider use by the Woden community; and
- Created more than 350 new parking spaces to help support community facilities such as the oval and the Swimming and Ice Skating Centre.

Moving Forward

Preparing for the future

ACT Labor will build on the work already undertaken in areas such as Woden, Belconnen and Braddon and investigate ways of preparing our town centres and group centres for the future.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- o Invest \$400,000 in master plans for Kingston and Dickson group centres. The master plans will examine the needs of the community and businesses of Kingston and Dickson and provide a long-term planning strategy that reflects the community's needs and those of the business community. The Plans will focus on the improvement of the group centres of Kingston and Dickson;
- o Examine whether there is enough access to supermarkets in these areas with a view to ensuring greater competition amongst retailers and greater choice for consumers; and
- o Invest \$200,000 in a planning study and master plan for the Tuggeranong Town Centre.

Promoting Sustainable Housing

ACT Labor is committed to informing Canberrans of the measures they can take when building, renovating or buying a home, to help combat climate change.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- o Invest \$400,000 over four years in a communication campaign to inform Canberrans how they can contribute to combating climate change through sustainable housing choices;
- o Distribute three publications designed to help Canberrans build and live in more environmentally sustainable homes. The Publications are:
 - o *Building better homes for Canberra's climate* was produced by the ACT Planning and Land Authority and provides information about how to best orientate houses for optimal winter warmth and summer cooling. It also advises on how to reduce energy use through use of insulation and glazing and how to minimise water use;
 - o *Your Home: Renovator's Guide* was produced by the RMIT with funding and support provided by most Australian Governments including the Stanhope Government. The Guide contains useful checklists that will help people think through their options when renovating their homes;
 - o *Selecting a Greener, Better House* is a checklist to help people know what to look for in a house they are considering buying or renting;

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- Continue to play an important role at a national level in developing responses to climate change through the built environment. This includes national principles for energy and water reduction through land use and infrastructure design, national targets for energy efficiency for buildings, participation in the preparation of the 'your development' package and the response to the National Adaptation Framework;
- Continue our partnership with the CSIRO to create one of Australia's most sustainable communities at East Lake; and
- Bring high levels of environmental standards to the development of Molonglo following on from the Strategic Environmental Assessment currently being jointly undertaken by the Commonwealth and ACT Governments.

More solar efficient housing

Part of combating climate change is ensuring new developments are as environmentally sustainable as possible.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Mandate passive solar orientation of blocks in new subdivisions;
- Immediately require 100% of stand-alone blocks in new subdivisions to have a solar star rating of 3 or above. Currently the subdivision code requires a 75% threshold;
- Investigate with industry and the community a threshold for compact blocks and multi-unit developments;
- Engage with industry to review the sub-division rating tool, which has not been reviewed since the early 1990s, with a view to linking block and house rating tools to allow for a better melding of house design and block orientation;
- Consult with industry to alter the current solar access rules in the Territory Plan to ensure a better mechanism for measuring energy gain rather than just a simple amount of sunlight required. For example, currently there needs to be a minimum of three hours direct sunlight, the changes will instead measure energy gained from the sun throughout the day;
- Work with the community and industry to implement, over the next ten years, carbon targets for entire estates. This would entail identifying a carbon target or limit for the entirety of a new suburb or estate development; and
- Develop and implement legislation protecting solar rights.

Molonglo

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Molonglo, Canberra's newest community, is an example of ACT Labor's commitment to reducing unsustainable urban expansion and to establishing homes within a 7.5km of the City Centre. The planning for Molonglo and North Weston embodies an integrated approach to social, economic, environmental and transport planning.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Release land for homes in North Weston and Molonglo;
- Plan and set aside land for community services such as libraries, shopping centres, health and medical facilities, child care centres, and sport and recreation facilities for the Molonglo community;
- Establish high levels of connectivity between neighbourhoods to allow for walking as well as shared bicycle and pedestrian paths;
- Maintain open space corridors throughout Molonglo that link Stromlo Forest Park, the Molonglo Rover Corridor and the Canberra International Arboretum;
- Assess Molonglo as one of the areas for light rail;
- Guarantee no development of central Molonglo;
- Retain the existing pockets of Yellow Box-Gum Grassy Woodland in East Molonglo;
- Locate bushfire buffer zones outside the Kama Nature Reserve; and
- Investigate storm water management options and undertake an EIS and community consultation on the preferred option.

Protecting our suburbs

ACT Labor believes we need to continue to find the right balance between growing and developing our city and maintaining the high quality and amenity of life Canberrans cherish.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government:

- Guarantees no return to the rampant over re-development of our suburbs that occurred under the previous Liberal Government;
- Will continue to monitor the garden city provisions to ensure the balance between growth and amenity is achieved; and
- Will continue to allow some redevelopment in suburban areas to accommodate the different housing demands of Canberrans as our demographics shift and to provide housing alternatives in suburbs close to our town centres and our city centre.

Community engagement

ACT Labor is committed to consulting with the community on all planning issues in the Territory.

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To ensure maximum community engagement in planning, a re-elected ACT Labor government will:

- Require all development applications to have bigger notification signs in line with the size of the development. The minimum size for notification signage will rise to 600mm x 900mm, and will be full colour;
- Signs for large developments, falling in the impact track, will be required to be 1200mm x 900mm; and
- Streamline where notices are put in the *Canberra Times*, with one community noticeboard for all Government announcements, including development assessment notifications.

Managing Canberra's growth

As Canberra's population grows and demand for new and affordable housing increases, ACT Labor will continue to plan new suburbs in accordance with the Canberra Spatial Plan.

Along with providing for new growth in appropriate areas, ACT Labor has continued to plan for residential intensification in existing areas of the city.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Release land in North Weston and Molonglo, providing sustainable housing for Canberrans close to town centres and other amenities;
- Release land in the East Lake development, set to be one of Australia's most sustainable developments. East Lake is located just 4.5km from Civic and incorporating parts of Kingston, Griffith and Fyshwick. East Lake aims to become a high-density urban community providing an Australian showcase of sustainable development. The ACT Government has partnered with the CSIRO to ensure the use of leading edge science and innovation in the area of sustainability. Over the past year, various technical investigations and extensive community consultation has been undertaken;
- Continue to develop and grow Gungahlin with land release and new community facilities; and
- Continue to undertake work with the NSW Government to ensure sustainable growth in the capital region. ACT Labor is developing, with the NSW Government, an ACT/NSW Cross Border Region Settlement Strategy, having regard to the Canberra Spatial Plan and the Sydney to Canberra Corridor Regional Strategy. The Settlement Strategy and the 2006 Cross Border Settlement Memorandum of Understanding will ensure growth management and sustainable development within the Capital region.

Employment Growth

ACT Labor will continue to plan for future employment growth in Canberra.

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A re-elected ACT Labor Government will complete the Eastern Broadacre Planning Study. This study is examining an eastern corridor of the ACT, identified in *The Canberra Spatial Plan* for the growth of industrial, commercial, broadacre, tourism and other uses. The area is in close proximity to the city, existing industrial areas at Hume and Fyshwick, and existing transport infrastructure including the Monaro Highway and Canberra International Airport. It is envisaged that further planning in this area would see employment consolidated into precincts that are well served by public transport and easily accessed from proposed residential projects at East Lake, Queanbeyan City Council, and in the long term, at Kowen.

Skills and Training

ACT Labor knows how important it is to provide Canberrans with the skills needed to ensure our community and economy continue to thrive.

It is vital we have a well-trained and skilled workforce if we are to protect the economic health of the ACT now and into the future.

We are also committed to providing Canberrans with the best opportunities to reach their full potential in education and in life.

In response to the emerging skills shortage, ACT Labor acted quickly by establishing the ACT Skills Commission to work out ways for the Government and the Canberra community to meet the challenge of increasing our skilled workforce.

The ACT Labor Government responded with its *ACT Skills Future Strategy*. This strategy focussed on four themes:

- People and Workforce – attracting and retaining skilled workers and their families from interstate and overseas;
- Productivity – aiming to increase the productivity of our workers through encouraging employee access and participation in formal and informal training;
- Participation – lifting workforce participation by encouraging those people who have traditionally been unable to participate, or fully participate, in the workforce to do so; and
- Education and training – ensuring the ACT education and training system is responsive to the needs of participants, industry and the economy.

ACT Labor has backed this strategy with a record \$51 million in funding and will continue to prioritise policies and strategies to increase the skills of our workforce – for the good of our economy and our community.

ACT Labor has been able to do all this, and deliver much more, because we have been strong economic managers which has allowed us to invest in fostering, supporting and building a skilled community.

Jon Stanhope
Chief Minister
Minister for Business and Economic
Development

Andrew Barr
Minister for Education and
Training

A Proud Record of Building a Skilled Community

ACT Labor is committed to providing opportunities for all Canberrans to increase their skills and believes that investment in vocational education and training is essential if we are to be ready for the future.

Currently about 70% of Canberra's school students do not go on to university but instead pursue other pathways into study and work.

ACT Labor has made a record investment in building a skilled community and has introduced a range of policies and strategies to increase the skills of our workforce.

Our Record

To support vocational education and training in the Territory, the ACT Labor Government has:

- Increased funding for the Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT) by 15.5% since being elected – a stark contrast to the 25% cut under the previous Liberal government;
- Funded the establishment of the CIT Vocational College offering essential skills and jobs training for around 3,000 youths, mature aged and migrant workers;
- Invested heavily in new infrastructure at the CIT including \$9 million for a new, state of the art horticulture centre at the Bruce Campus;
- Provided an extra \$4 million in user choice funding to meet the demand for Australian apprenticeships;
- Provided an additional \$3.4 million for teachers to help with careers and pathways planning in our colleges and high schools;
- Invested \$2.495 million over four years in CIT to deliver an additional 35,000 hours training for students;
- Invested an extra \$1 million into CIT for a technology upgrade, to ensure students are learning with the best equipment;
- Funded the feasibility and design for a new CIT Trade Skills Centre at Fyshwick and for the upgrade of the Reid campus;
- Provided extra support for students with a disability at CIT;
- Supported Australian School Based Apprentices, with this year's goal to be 500 apprentices in our schools;
- Worked with CIT and industry to provide accelerated apprenticeships in areas such as panel beating, hairdressing and cheffing;

The ACT Labor Government has also:

- Re-established the ACT *Skilled and Business Migration Program* in 2005 to sponsor skilled workers and business investors from overseas to come and work in the ACT. Since July 2005 over 2,734 skilled workers, business investors and their dependents have been sponsored by the ACT Government. The sponsored skilled migrants will transfer over \$68 million into the ACT for settlement purposes. The

- sponsored business migrants have invested over \$74 million into the ACT economy;
- Established the *Live in Canberra* program to attract and retain skilled workers and their families from around Australia, and to work with the Skilled and Business Migration program on international recruitment;
 - Established the *ACT Skills Commission*, chaired by ANU Vice Chancellor Prof Ian Chubb and later Mr Derek Volker, which reported in May 2008 on skills issues and possible solutions;
 - Published its *ACT Skills Future strategy* responding to the *Skills Commission Report* and fed into the 2008-09 ACT Budget, which
 - Funded an expansion of the ACT Government's analysis and projection work in areas of expected and current skills shortage in the ACT;
 - Introduced a new recruitment campaign for the ACT Public Service - *Great careers come with the Territory*;
 - Implemented a new long-service-leave scheme for the ACT community sector;
 - Provided additional resources to Volunteering ACT to support the *Students Participating in Community Enterprise*, which provides work experience and skills for young people in danger of not completing year 10;
 - Provided an additional \$1.2 million for the *Skilled and Business Migration Program*, to link final-year and graduating international students with potential employers and increase traineeships and apprenticeships in the ACT Public Service; and
 - Provided \$4.2 million to strengthen the ACT's existing health workforce and a boost for the *Live in Canberra* campaign.

The 2008-09 ACT Budget

The ACT Labor Government moved quickly to implement the initiatives identified in the *ACT Skills Future Strategy*, through providing significant new funding in the 2008-09 Budget.

The ACT Labor Government's 2008-09 Budget identified \$51 million over four years (comprising \$36.6 million over four years in recurrent funding, and \$14.3 million in capital funding) for skills. In particular, ACT Labor allocated:

- \$2.5 million for additional places at CIT and an extra \$1 million for the CIT Vocational College;
- \$1.2 million to strengthen the *Skilled and Business Migration Program*, link final-year and graduating international students with potential employers and increase traineeships and apprenticeships in the ACT Public Service;
- \$4.2 million to strengthen the health workforce and a boost for the *Live in Canberra* campaign;
- Resources for a feasibility study into a new trades training centre in Fyshwick; and
- \$2.5 million to build capacity and leadership in the ACT public service.

Moving Forward

Encouraging post-school training in areas of identified skills shortage

ACT Labor is committed to helping support small business to attract better-qualified workers. It will aim to do this through a mix of measures that support employees while they improve their skills and training, and through policies that make Canberra a more attractive city for employees to move to and remain in.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Invest \$1 million to provide assistance with CIT fees and course materials to CIT students in areas of skills shortage; and
- Invest \$1 million in a scheme to pay HECS fees for graduates in areas of skills shortages as long as they remain employed in Canberra. This program will begin with graduates in areas of identified skills shortages, but will be reviewed during the term of the next ACT Labor Government for possible extension to other graduates.

Strengthening the Canberra Institute of Technology

ACT Labor believes a strong TAFE system is critical to not only responding to the critical issue of skills shortages, but to also ensuring Canberrans have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Since being elected in 2001, we have increased real funding to the CIT by a massive 15.5% - a stark contrast to the previous Liberal government which cut funding by 25%

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Continue to recognise CIT as a world-class education provider and provide support and funding;
- Invest an extra \$5 million over the next four years for technology upgrades at the CIT including:
 - new media and multimedia equipment;
 - equipment for environmental science programs;
 - Dental instruments and materials to establish a simulated dental laboratory
 - Hydraulic client hairdressing stools
 - Upgrade of ovens and deep fryers
 - Restructure and upgrade of specialist computer laboratories
 - Replacement of servers at the Reid campus;
- Continue to invest \$600,000 per year for the next three years in delivering extra teaching hours at the CIT, as outlined in the 2008-09 Budget;
- Continue to invest over \$250,000 per year for the next three years in supporting students at the Vocational College; and
- Provide additional support for students with a disability at the CIT.

VET in schools

ACT Labor believes that a flexible and innovative approach to vocational education and training is needed if we are to build the skills base of our community.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Continue to support Australian School Based apprenticeships, with the goal of 500 apprenticeships per year;
- Provide \$1.4 million to support 100 new Australian School Based Apprentices each year in our schools;
- Invest \$225,000 over four years to give 15 young Canberrans each year the opportunity to complete an Australian School Based Apprenticeship in the sport and recreation industry;
- Provide \$40,000 over the next term for Young Achievers Australia to develop business skills in ACT high schools, college and university students;
- Continue to invest over \$1 million per year for the next three years in increase funding for apprentices as outlined in the 2008-09 Budget; and
- Conclude consultations on raising the school leaving age, as outlined in our consultation paper *Pathways to the Future*.

Better access to training

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Further develop links to searchable websites for small businesses and education and training providers to allow small businesses to identify the most relevant sources of information and training advice for small business.

Attracting migrant workers

In line with recommendations from the Skills Commission, ACT Labor recognises that we need to increase our population of skilled workers. Currently we are disadvantaged under the Commonwealth Government's migration points scheme that does not recognise Canberra as a regional centre.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will:

- Pursue the Commonwealth to remove the disadvantage the ACT experiences through the current migration points system.

Community Places

Where we live matters and ACT Labor is building a better city and a stronger community by investing in our public amenities. Our community spaces help make Canberra a great place to live and enhance our lifestyles.

We have created places for Canberrans to meet, socialise, play and shop and are committed to ensuring that our community has high-quality public facilities and a range of outdoor spaces where they can spend their recreational time.

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Canberra is also a centre of economic growth and innovation and is proudly the nation's capital city and home of its pre-eminent cultural institutions.

And Canberra is a place of great natural beauty with a proud history of balance between development and sustainability.

Our pristine natural environment is one of the things that make Canberra such a great place to live. Canberrans value the open spaces and outdoor facilities that are in our community.

ACT Labor has a great track record in adding to the amenity of Canberra's open spaces through the addition of 1500 extra hectares of nature parks, as well as maintaining and upgrading local neighbourhood parks and playgrounds.

Over the last term, the ACT Labor Government has implemented a series of master plans for Canberra's town and district parks, the most notable being the upgrade of Glebe Park, at a cost of \$1.37 million, with park furniture improvements, pathway improvements, new stage facility, new play facilities and shade and a tree planting program.

Our Record

ACT Labor has:

- Upgraded 68 playspaces including those in Turner, Isaacs, Ainslie, Spence, Latham, Evatt, Flynn, Kambah, Fadden, Florey, Weetangera, Bruce and Chifley;
- Upgraded the Holt, Melba, Garran and Ainslie Shopping Centres and started consultation on the refurbishment of the Deakin Shopping Centre;
- Held popular 'round town' events in our local parks;
- Replaced drought affected plantings with more drought tolerant species;
- To the end of 2006 had planted 4,465,905 trees in non-urban areas and planted 30,160 trees in urban areas;
- Completed stage two of the Belconnen lakeshore refurbishment;
- Installed the ACT's first liberty swing for disabled children at Black Mountain Peninsula;
- Restored and improved the *Sanctuary @ Tidbinbilla*; and
- Updated the *Get out There Guide* brochure.

In the latest Budget for 2008/09, ACT Labor mapped out a four year program of expenditure of \$2.2 million to upgrade local and district parks across the Territory, including:

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- \$50,000 to design and construct a jetty and associated equipment for use by Sailability ACT as well as the general community at Lake Tuggeranong;
- New BBQs and picnic facilities to be installed at various district parks, including Yerrabi Pond Park, Glebe Park, Lennox Gardens, Eddison Park, Fadden Pines and Point Hut Pond Park with landscape improvements to John Knight Park BBQ areas;
- \$1.6 million towards renewal of 16 playspaces in local and district parks in Belconnen, Inner North, Oaks Estate, Woden and Tuggeranong;
- The installation of two new Liberty Wheelchair Swings –in North Canberra and Tuggeranong;
- New fitness trails to be installed at Eddison Park and John Knight Park, as well as a new flying fox for John Knight Park;
- \$390,000 to improve the Belconnen Skate Park;
- Two new dog exercise enclosures, one in Belconnen and the other in Tuggeranong. These enclosures will be fully fenced with gate access, water, signage, seating and short exercise courses for owners to train their dogs;
- 12 new mowers and 11 new trucks to help keep our City looking great. The ACT Government mows over 4,300 hectares of grass throughout the year, and these new mowers will assist in delivering an improved mowing program;
- An additional \$1.5 million to maintain young trees and remove hazardous and dead trees;
- New and replacement screen plantings along the fence lines of major arterial roads to discourage graffiti;
- Funding to refurbish shrub beds and replace worn turf areas with more durable landscapes materials to revitalise these high use landscapes in district and neighbourhood shopping centres;
- \$210,000 for the refurbishment of aging furniture in parks and shopping centres; and
- \$200,000 for an outdoor performance venue at Tuggeranong Town Park plus a grant of \$10,000 per annum to the Tuggeranong Arts Community to manage the venue.

Moving Forward

ACT Labor will build on these initiatives to ensure our rolling program of upgrades and building for community spaces continues. By investing in these improvements and providing more opportunities for customers to give feedback on Territory and Municipal Services, ACT Labor will build a better city and a stronger community with high-quality local facilities across Canberra.

Upgrading our parks

ACT Labor will spend \$8.1 million on masterplans for the improvement of a number of town and district parks, to make sure that these important community facilities are of high amenity and are attractive for Canberrans to use.

Town and district parks to be covered under this program include:

Black Mountain Peninsula District Park

The improvement program for Black Mountain Peninsula District Park will include new play facilities with covered shade structures, to provide an even better place for young families to visit. ACT Labor will also ensure that the needs of children with a disability are catered for in the design of new play equipment.

Black Mountain Peninsula District Park will also see improvements to the BBQ areas, as well as an upgrade to the lookout area. To encourage visitors to the area, ACT Labor will upgrade the car parks and roadway as well as install a new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway. The natural amenity will also be improved through a tree planting program and improvements to the Nara Grove area.

Eddison Park

ACT Labor will continue the upgrade program for this important community space in the Woden Valley by providing a new walking pathway network and will reinstate the bridge connection over the pond. A new play and BBQ area will also be installed to encourage users.

Weston Park

A range of improvements will be made to this popular public space in Yarralumla, including a new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway and improvements to the car park area. ACT Labor will build a better family space by installing new play facilities with shade structures and will also upgrade and expand the BBQ and picnic areas.

Tuggeranong District Park

ACT Labor will continue its commitment to providing high-quality community spaces in Tuggeranong by funding the construction of an outdoor performance venue to the value of \$200,000. ACT Labor will also improve the

BBQ and picnic areas and construct new play facilities with shade structures. A new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway will be constructed and improvements will be made to the car park area.

Haig Park

ACT Labor will continue the improvement of Haig Park by planting new trees and renewing the grassed areas and log boundaries to create even better community spaces. In addition, ACT Labor will upgrade the BBQs and public toilets and replace the outdoor furniture.

Improving our local shopping centres

ACT Labor is committed to a rolling program of improvements to Canberra's neighbourhood shopping precincts. ACT Labor will continue the Precinct Refurbishment Program and will consult with the local community on what they want their local shops to be like.

Over the past year, the ACT Labor Government has carried out work at Melba, Garran and Ainslie Shopping Centres and consultation has proceeded in relation to Deakin Shopping Centre.

ACT Labor will continue to assess shopping centres for upgrade by applying a range of criteria, including the age and condition of their infrastructure, relevant health and safety issues and local crime statistics.

ACT Labor will commit \$11.5 million over the next term to conduct the following rolling program of shopping centre upgrades:

- Waramanga
- Lyons
- Red Hill
- Farrer
- Banks
- Scullin
- Lyneham
- Charnwood (local)
- Theodore
- Chapman
- Cook
- Griffith
- Torrens

New customer feedback measures

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will introduce an enhanced customer feedback service for Canberrans to report problems such as graffiti, potholes, broken paving and street lighting. Through a web-based service called Fix My Street, ACT Labor will provide a one-stop point for customers to alert Territory and Municipal Services to problems in their neighbourhood.

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Sydney and Melbourne Buildings

To continue ACT Labor's strong commitment to the beautification of the Civic shopping precinct, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will commit \$2million per annum for the refurbishment of pavement and street furniture around the Sydney and Melbourne Buildings.

Bulless, Neil

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Thursday, 9 October 2008 11:07 AM
To: Bulless, Neil
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Sent: Thursday, 9 October 2008 1:58 PM
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Establish a Mortgage Relief Fund to help Canberrans at risk of losing their homes

Rising interest rates have driven average mortgage repayments for Canberra families up by \$250 a month. Changes in the lending market have seen the rise of low-doc lenders. In the ACT, repossessions have risen by over 50 per cent, from 55 in 2004 to 83 in 2006¹. Losing a family home is devastating.

ACT Labor will establish a Mortgage Relief Fund to help households at risk of losing their homes. The program will focus on early support and assistance to households who are experiencing difficulties and at risk of default with their home loan repayments, as a result of an unforeseen change in their circumstances. Labor will provide interest-free loans of upto ~~\$5,000~~ \$10,000 to households are at risk of losing their family home.

ACT Labor will also provide \$50,000 a year to a consumer advocacy and assistance organisation to facilitate the Mortgage Relief Fund and provide financial counselling to households who are at risk, and assist them with refinancing options. This funding will also be used to monitor repossessions and lending practices. By obtaining detailed data, better knowledge can be gained – and passed on to the community – about the types of loans that get households into financial strife.

ACT Labor will continue to work with the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) to create uniform consumer credit regulations. National reform will eliminate loopholes and allow better regulation of the credit sector, diminishing the potential for unscrupulous lenders to take advantage of buyers.

¹ The Consumer Law Centre of the ACT and the Centre for Commercial Law ANU. "They still want to take our house - A further investigation into house repossessions in the ACT Supreme Court". December 2007

Friend, Stuart

From: Bain, Glenn
Sent: Friday, 10 October 2008 5:47 PM
To: Bulless, Neil; Pulford, Nikki; Friend, Stuart
Subject: RE: Urgent - re Solar Farm

Hi Neil

I'm not sure if Nikki got back to you on this one with any information, but as far as I can ascertain, CMD has a procurement project going with Floyd. That indicates to me that at this stage anyway, CMD are taking the running.

Glenn

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From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Monday, 6 October 2008 12:28 PM
To: Pulford, Nikki; Bain, Glenn; Friend, Stuart
Subject: Urgent - re Solar Farm
Importance: High

Hi

Is CMD running the solar farm process going forward?

Neil

Pulford, Nikki

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Sunday, 12 October 2008 6:20 PM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Subject: Re labor skills package

Hi Nik

We're going to need to get some advice from the Office first thing Monday on the splits for the skills package. The released policy (on the web today) doesn't reconcile to our costings provided thru Brian some weeks ago. Can you speak to Brian and ask for a copy of their skills worksheet.

Thks
Neil

Pulford, Nikki

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Sunday, 12 October 2008 7:02 PM
To: Pulford, Nikki; Smithies, Megan
Subject: RE:

Nikki
Do they really want to commit "\$2 million per annum for the refurbishment of pavement and street furniture around the Sydney and Melbourne Buildings"? I thought it was \$2m for Syd/Melb and the fwd program for the City Centre??

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Friday, 10 October 2008 12:16
To: Bulless, Neil; Smithies, Megan
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See attached.

Nikki

From: Hummel, Gabrielle
Sent: Friday, 10 October 2008 12:15 PM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Subject:

Hi Nikki

Here's the updated version, for review by Treasury.

Thanks

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And Canberra is a place of great natural beauty with a proud history of balance between development and sustainability.

Our pristine natural environment is one of the things that make Canberra such a great place to live. Canberrans value the open spaces and outdoor facilities that are in our community.

ACT Labor has a great track record in adding to the amenity of Canberra's open spaces through the addition of 1500 extra hectares of nature parks, as well as maintaining and upgrading local neighbourhood parks and playgrounds.

Over the last term, the ACT Labor Government has implemented a series of master plans for Canberra's town and district parks, the most notable being the upgrade of Glebe Park, at a cost of \$1.37 million, with park furniture improvements, pathway improvements, new stage facility, new play facilities and shade and a tree planting program.

Our Record

ACT Labor has:

- Upgraded 68 playspaces including those in Turner, Isaacs, Ainslie, Spence, Latham, Evatt, Flynn, Kambah, Fadden, Florey, Weetangera, Bruce and Chifley;
- Upgraded the Holt, Melba, Garran and Ainslie Shopping Centres and started consultation on the refurbishment of the Deakin Shopping Centre;
- Held popular 'round town' events in our local parks;
- Replaced drought affected plantings with more drought tolerant species;
- To the end of 2006 had planted 4,465,905 trees in non-urban areas and planted 30,160 trees in urban areas;
- Completed stage two of the Belconnen lakeshore refurbishment;
- Installed the ACT's first liberty swing for disabled children at Black Mountain Peninsula;
- Restored and improved the *Sanctuary @ Tidbinbilla*; and
- Updated the *Get out There Guide* brochure.

In the 2007/08 Budget, ACT Labor mapped out a four year program to upgrade local and district parks across the Territory, including:

- \$50,000 to design and construct a jetty and associated equipment for use by Sailability ACT as well as the general community at Lake Tuggeranong;
- New BBQs and picnic facilities to be installed at various district parks, including Yerrabi Pond Park, Glebe Park, Lennox Gardens, Eddison Park, Fadden Pines and Point Hut Pond Park with landscape improvements to John Knight Park BBQ areas;
- \$1.6 million towards renewal of 16 playspaces in local and district parks in Belconnen, Inner North, Oaks Estate, Woden and Tuggeranong;
- The installation of two new Liberty Wheelchair Swings –in North Canberra and Tuggeranong;
- New fitness trails to be installed at Eddison Park and John Knight Park, as well as a new flying fox for John Knight Park;
- \$390,000 to improve the Belconnen Skate Park;
- Two new dog exercise enclosures, one in Belconnen and the other in Tuggeranong. These enclosures will be fully fenced with gate access, water, signage, seating and short exercise courses for owners to train their dogs;
- 12 new mowers and 11 new trucks to help keep our City looking great. The ACT Government mows over 4,300 hectares of grass throughout the year, and these new mowers will assist in delivering an improved mowing program;
- An additional \$1.5 million to maintain young trees and remove hazardous and dead trees;
- New and replacement screen plantings along the fence lines of major arterial roads to discourage graffiti; and
- Funding to refurbish shrub beds and replace worn turf areas with more durable landscapes materials to revitalise these high use landscapes in district and neighbourhood shopping centres.

Moving Forward

ACT Labor will build on these initiatives to ensure our rolling program of upgrades and building for community spaces continues. By investing in these improvements and providing more opportunities for customers to give feedback on Territory and Municipal Services, ACT Labor will build a better city and a stronger community with high-quality local facilities across Canberra.

Upgrading our parks

ACT Labor will spend \$8.1 million on masterplans for the improvement of a number of town and district parks, to make sure that these important community facilities are of high amenity and are attractive for Canberrans to use.

Town and district parks to be covered under this program include:

Black Mountain Peninsula District Park

The improvement program for Black Mountain Peninsula District Park will include new play facilities with covered shade structures, to provide an even better place for young families to visit. ACT Labor will also ensure that the needs of children with a disability are catered for in the design of new play equipment.

Black Mountain Peninsula District Park will also see improvements to the BBQ areas, as well as an upgrade to the lookout area. To encourage visitors to the area, ACT Labor will upgrade the car parks and roadway as well as install a new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway. The natural amenity will also be improved through a tree planting program and improvements to the Nara Grove area.

Eddison Park

ACT Labor will continue the upgrade program for this important community space in the Woden Valley by providing a new walking pathway network and will reinstate the bridge connection over the pond. A new play and BBQ area will also be installed to encourage users.

Weston Park

A range of improvements will be made to this popular public space in Yarralumla, including a new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway and improvements to the car park area. ACT Labor will build a better family space by installing new play facilities with shade structures and will also upgrade and expand the BBQ and picnic areas.

Tuggeranong District Park

ACT Labor will continue its commitment to providing high-quality community spaces in Tuggeranong by funding the construction of an outdoor performance venue to the value of \$200,000. A re-elected ACT Labor

Government will also provide a grant of \$10,000 per annum to the Tuggeranong Arts Community to manage the venue.

ACT Labor will also improve the BBQ and picnic areas and construct new play facilities with shade structures. A new perimeter pedestrian and cycle pathway will be constructed and improvements will be made to the car park area.

Haig Park

ACT Labor will continue the improvement of Haig Park by planting new trees and renewing the grassed areas and log boundaries to create even better community spaces. In addition, ACT Labor will upgrade the BBQs and public toilets and replace the outdoor furniture.

Improving our local shopping centres

ACT Labor is committed to a rolling program of improvements to Canberra's neighbourhood shopping precincts. ACT Labor will continue the Precinct Refurbishment Program and will consult with the local community on what they want their local shops to be like.

Over the past year, the ACT Labor Government has carried out work at Melba, Garran and Ainslie Shopping Centres and consultation has proceeded in relation to Deakin Shopping Centre.

ACT Labor will continue to assess shopping centres for upgrade by applying a range of criteria, including the age and condition of their infrastructure, relevant health and safety issues and local crime statistics.

ACT Labor will commit \$11.5 million over the next term to conduct the following rolling program of shopping centre upgrades:

- Waramanga
- Lyons
- Red Hill
- Farrer
- Banks
- Scullin
- Lyneham
- Charnwood (local)
- Theodore
- Chapman
- Cook
- Griffith
- Torrens

New customer feedback measures

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will introduce an enhanced customer feedback service for Canberrans to report problems such as graffiti, potholes,

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broken paving and street lighting. Through a web-based service called Fix My Street, ACT Labor will provide a one-stop point for customers to alert Territory and Municipal Services to problems in their neighbourhood.

Sydney and Melbourne Buildings

To continue ACT Labor's strong commitment to the beautification of the Civic shopping precinct, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will commit \$2million per annum for the refurbishment of pavement and street furniture around the Sydney and Melbourne Buildings.

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Source: The Canberra Times

Issue: Green Building Council

Announced costing: \$35 million

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Subject: Liberal election commitment: Police

Party: Liberal

Date: 13 October 2008

Source: Liberal Media Release

Issue: Police

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Subject: Liberal election commitment: Climate Change

Party: Liberal

Date: 13 October 2008

Source: Liberal Media Release

Topic: Climate Change

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Party: Liberal

Date: 13 October 2008

Source: Liberal Election Policy

Issue: Mental Policy

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Party: Liberal

Date: 12 October 2008

Source: Canberra Times

Issue: Health Policy

Announced costing: \$4.5 million

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/campaigns-launched-at-last/1331294.aspx#>

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Subject: Labor election commitment: Skills Policy

Party: Labor

Date: 11 October 2008

Source: Canberra Times

Issue: Skills Policy

Announced costing: \$8.7 million

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/labor-to-help-pay-students-study-debts/1331046.aspx#>

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Subject: Lib pensioners promise costing

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Sharon tells me Khalid is doing some work on this. Would it be possible to ascertain the number of people assisted (and to what extent) AND the number of pensioners NOT assisted?

Thanks

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ACT LABOR'S 2008 HOUSING STRATEGY
TOWARDS MORE HOUSING OPTIONS FOR CANBERRANS

ACT Labor is committed to ensuring that all Canberrans have access to safe, secure and affordable housing.

Secure, appropriate and affordable housing is a basic right to which all Canberrans are entitled.

Labor believes that meeting the housing needs of a diverse community means ensuring there is a range of housing options, and that supply meets demand.

Labor is committed to ensuring Canberrans can live where they choose, in houses they can afford, and to have fewer people suffering homelessness.

Our strategy is to make affordable housing available to more people and to provide quality housing for those in greatest need in our community. And we are working to ensure that people have pathways to move across housing tenures so that our housing system provides the right response and the right time for our citizens.

While the relative wealth of the Canberra community means that we spend, on average, a smaller proportion of our income on housing than other Australians, there are some among us who experience housing stress. For some, the stress is financial. For others, it is caused by overcrowding, or lack of support, or changing physical requirements.

As our community changes demographically, and as the average number of people per household shrinks, our housing requirements are changing too.

The challenge has been, and continues to be, to anticipate and prepare, so that we are ready for the future.

Labor has a vision for Canberra for the next four years

Labor's vision is for a city where everyone is housed appropriately and affordably and where the needs of an ageing community are catered for and anticipated.

Labor's vision is to reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness and to provide pathways into long-term, secure housing for those in greatest need.

Labor's vision is for a robust social housing system that provides high quality accommodation and support options for its tenants.

Labor's vision is for a city where the aspiration of home ownership can be satisfied, but which caters too for renters, for those in community housing, for those in public housing, for Canberrans with disabilities, and for the ageing.

Our achievements

In its first term, Labor delivered targeted, means-tested stamp duty concessions for first-home buyers, expanded the land release program, replaced 81 public housing properties and invested more than \$13 million in homelessness initiatives.

In April 2007, in response to a decline in affordability in most capital cities, including Canberra, Labor launched a comprehensive Affordable Housing Action Plan, featuring more than 60 separate initiatives to tackle affordability at its roots. Initiatives implemented to date include:

- the release of a record 3,400 housing blocks in 2007-08 and a new rolling five-year land release program;
- streamlined land release and approval processes, and the introduction of englobo land releases;
- a requirement that 15% of new developments be devoted to house and land packages priced between \$200,000 and \$300,000;
- targeted stamp duty concessions for low-income earners and stamp duty exemptions for pensioners moving to more appropriate accommodation;
- a 20% increase in the stamp duty income ceiling – households with incomes up to \$120,000 are now eligible for the Home Buyer Concession Scheme;
- Deferral of stamp duty for up to 5 years;
- land rent, to enable families on incomes as modest as \$50,000 to purchase their own home;
- an invitation to institutional investors to build affordable private rental accommodation;
- a boost to community housing, with an equity injection of \$40 million and a revolving loan facility of \$50 million;
- more targeted use of public housing - 87 per cent of new allocations are made to applicants in urgent need, compared with just 38 per cent nationally;
- improving the energy efficiency of public housing to reduce bills for tenants;
- a pilot program to help young tenants build supportive community networks;
- two demonstration villages to showcase affordable land and housing packages; and
- a design award for excellence in affordable housing.

Labor is now working on Phase II of our Affordable Housing Action Plan, focusing on affordable accommodation for older Canberrans – particularly those of modest means – and the homeless.

In addition to this Labor has:

- Increased indexation to community sector funding annually, which has risen to 4%, to maintain the viability of the sector to ensure that high-quality services continue to be provided to the Canberra community;
- Provided \$4.4 million for the ACT's most disadvantaged through the Community Inclusion Fund;
- Invested \$2 million over 4 years to Anglicare's Junction Youth Health services in Tuggeranong and Gungahlin to employ two Youth Health Nurses and two Youth Health Workers to improve the health and well-being of young people in these areas;
- Invested \$1.9 million recurrent to provide new 24-hour step-up, step-down innovative model of mental health facilities for both adults and youth. The youth facility was the first of its kind in the country;
- Provided \$3.9 million to fund 14 youth homelessness services. This investment has include the innovative Couch Surfing, Transitional Support for Young People Exiting Detention and the Outreach Support Young People Transition to Independence projects to support young homeless people;
- Invested \$9 million per year into the services and support for the homeless, in addition to the Commonwealths \$6 million annual investment;
- Increased supported accommodation places for families by over 30 per cent to to 124 in 2007-08;
- Invested close to \$1 million in an Early Morning Drop in Centre at Pilgrim Place since 2004;
- Negotiated and agreed a Social Compact with the sector;
- Introduced a Charter of Rights for the homeless;
- Increased funding to homelessness by 74% since 2001;
- Successfully implemented Breaking the Cycle – the ACT Homelessness Strategy;
- Improved housing services and implementing reforms aimed at providing a more targeted and responsive system to the needs of Housing ACT tenants;

- introduced revised housing assistance legislation and a new Public Rental Housing Assistance Program which more effectively provides housing to those most in need in the community;
- Significantly cut waiting times by 66 per cent, for those most in need waiting for public housing;
- Increased public housing property numbers from 11,454 to 11,551;
- Housing applicants in need of priority housing (as at 2 September 2008) within 52 days compared to in excess of 9 months under the previous allocation system;
- Effectively developed links with community organisations, in particular with the homelessness sector in building on a service continuum that supports people as they transition from homelessness into sustainable public housing tenancies;
- Implemented Breaking the Cycle – the ACT Homelessness Strategy – the Government’s key policy commitment to improving responses to homelessness;
- implemented a Transitional Housing Program which ensures that clients exiting crisis accommodation can continue to receive critical support services while waiting for longer term housing options;
- more effectively utilised housing stock by encouraging residents to move to properties which better meet their needs; and
- Introduced a regulatory framework for non-profit housing providers to help protect the rights of tenants living in properties managed by not-for-profit providers.

What Labor delivered in its most recent Budget 2008-09 to help more Canberrans into homes

In the 2008-09 Budget the ACT Labor Government has:

- Boosted community housing with an equity injection of \$40 million and a revolving loan facility of \$50 million;
- Provided greater support for children in public housing by undertaking a needs assessment to ensure that public housing appropriately takes account of the needs of children in the allocation of properties;
- Improved the energy efficiency of public housing and accelerated work to improve water efficiency of public housing by providing \$20m over 10 years;
- Provided an additional 52 dwelling units for public housing and a further 26 will be provided by the final funding instalment of \$10m in 2008-09;
- Approved a budget for capital expenditure on public housing in 2008-2009 of \$82.6 million; and
- Provided additional homelessness services for women over 55 with an additional \$40,000 invested.

Moving Forward

Increasing the supply of affordable housing in our city

Require 20 per cent of all new estates to be made up of affordable housing, under \$300,000

ACT Labor will increase the supply of affordable housing by requiring at least 20 per cent of all new estates to be made up of affordable house and land packages under \$300,000.

The ACT Labor Government mandated that at least 15 per cent of all new estates be made up of affordable house and land packages, through its nation-leading *Affordable Housing Action Plan*. These affordable blocks have consistently been in high demand and been the first to sell. By increasing this requirement to 20 per cent, there will be more affordable house and land packages for homebuyers.

This is not inclusionary zoning as it requires the provision of appropriately priced homes of varying sizes in a development. The affordable homes would be made up of different

products, including smaller blocks and smaller floorplans. These homes would not be affordable due to any subsidy.

Extend the affordable housing requirement to all types of homes, including townhouses and apartments

Labor appreciates that many Canberrans want to live closer to town centres in denser developments. ACT Labor will extend the 20% affordable housing mandate to other kinds of developments, including attached houses, apartments and townhouses.

Incentives to convert surplus C-grade office blocks to affordable housing

Canberra enjoys a low level of office vacancy. However, there is a growing demand for A-grade and B-grade space, leaving pockets of C-grade office accommodation vacant at times. Such surplus offices are often located in town centres, in areas of high demand, and could be transformed into affordable accommodation.

ACT Labor will provide incentives for owners of surplus C-grade office blocks to transform their properties into affordable housing, slashing change-of-use charges for owners who build affordable apartments in town centres and the City. Labor will reduce change-of-use charges associated with lease variations by 75 per cent for all owners of C-grade office space who agree to build affordable apartments for under \$300,000.

This will lead to greater population density around town centres which, in turn, will help our town centre thrive and provide greater opportunities for sustainable transport options such as better public transport hubs.

Increase the supply of affordable rental accommodation through the institutional investor program

ACT Labor will continue to work with institutional investors and the housing industry to deliver an extra 400 rental properties. As part of the *Affordable Housing Action Plan*, the ACT Labor Government has sought expressions of interest from institutional investors to form a partnership with government to deliver more affordable rental accommodation in Canberra.

Expressions of interest for this initiative have been short-listed and those short-listed have been asked to expand their proposals to provide up to 400 affordable rental properties in the ACT. A re-elected ACT Labor Government will see this initiative to fruition with institutional investors selected to provide more affordable rental properties around Canberra.

Maintain a supply of release-ready land

ACT Labor will maintain an adequate supply of release-ready land. This will ensure that any sudden movements in demand for housing can be catered for through the immediate release of land which is ready to be built on.

Due to the surge in the housing market over the past few years, the supply of release-ready, ready to be built on, land has diminished. Labor will ensure that all planned future land releases have the trunk infrastructure ahead of their predicted release dates. This will mean that all new greenfields land bought will be ready to be built on immediately after settlement.

Helping more Canberrans into housing and helping them keep their homes

Establish a Mortgage Relief Fund to help Canberrans at risk of losing their homes

Rising interest rates have driven average mortgage repayments for Canberra families up by \$250 a month. Changes in the lending market have seen the rise of low-doc lenders. In the ACT, repossessions have risen by over 50 per cent, from 55 in 2004 to 83 in 2006¹.

ACT Labor will establish a Mortgage Relief Fund to provide loans of up to \$10,000 for Canberrans at risk of defaulting on their mortgage and losing their family home. The Fund, made up of \$1.2 million over four years, will be used to provide early support and assistance to households who are experiencing difficulties and at risk of default with their home loan repayments as a result of an unforeseen change in their personal circumstances.

A re-elected Labor Government will also provide \$50,000 a year to a community organisation to manage the Mortgage Relief Fund and provide financial counselling to households who are at risk of losing their homes. Through the Mortgage Relief Fund, the community organisation will counsel each household on a case-by-case basis and provide tailored interest-free loans of up to \$10,000 to eligible households. The terms of the loan and repayments will be tailored to suit each household, as each household has its own personal circumstances which need to be managed on a case-by-case basis to ensure that each loan can be repaid.

The community organisation will also be able to better monitor repossessions and lending practices through this boost in funding. By obtaining detailed data, better knowledge can be obtained – and passed on to the community – about the types of loans that get households into financial strife.

ACT Labor will continue to work with the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) to create uniform consumer credit regulations. National reform will eliminate loopholes and allow better regulation of the credit sector, diminishing the potential for unscrupulous lenders to take advantage of buyers.

Implement shared equity schemes to assist low-to-moderate income households become homeowners

ACT Labor is committed to implementing shared equity schemes so that public housing and community housing tenants can realise the dream of home ownership. Shared equity schemes allow households on low incomes to purchase a proportion of their homes, with the housing provider or financier providing the remaining proportion. The program will assist public housing tenants to progressively purchase their property. The program will be carefully monitored to ensure families participating avoid financial stress.

ACT Labor will continue to work with CHC Affordable Housing to establish a shared equity scheme for community housing tenants. In February 2008, the ACT Labor Government exchanged contracts with CHC Affordable Housing, the ACT's community housing provider, for a \$50 million revolving finance facility to allow CHC to provide 1,000 affordable homes for sale and rent. CHC, in consultation with Housing ACT, is investigating the provision of a shared equity scheme for community housing tenants.

ACT Labor will also continue to work with the Council of Australian Governments and the Australian Housing Ministers' Council to find a nationally collaborative approach to shared equity.

Implement a homeshare program

ACT Labor will commit \$50,000 a year to provide a homeshare program to provide accommodation for low-income singles or students, while supporting older Canberrans to remain in their homes. Due to changes in personal circumstances, many older Canberrans live alone in their family home, where their children were raised. This program will help many empty-nesters remain in their homes, as they share their home with a boarder or lodger.

¹ The Consumer Law Centre of the ACT and the Centre for Commercial Law ANU. "They still want to take our house - A further investigation into house repossessions in the ACT Supreme Court". December 2007

\$600,000 to establish the HOME Service

One of the most common challenges in attracting prospective migrants to Canberra is accommodation. ACT Labor will commit \$600,000 to create the HOME (Housing Options and Moving Enquiries) Service. This new service will be a one-stop shop for all enquiries related to housing in the ACT.

The HOME Service will provide advice to Canberrans and people looking to move to Canberra about where they can get access to housing whether they're looking to buy or rent. It will also point people in the direction of relevant concessions and options they have when buying their own home, such as land rent. The service will provide information about upcoming land releases and when englobo housing developments are due for sale direct to homebuyers.

The HOME Service will operate within the *Live in Canberra* unit to provide housing information to intending and existing residents.

Continue to fully implement the Affordable Housing Action Plan and embark on Phase two with a focus on aged accommodation and homelessness

ACT Labor will fully implement all of the first phase of its Affordable Housing Action Plan. Labor will continue its accelerated land release program aimed at stabilising the cost of land and housing in the ACT. We will continue to monitor the land supply pipeline to ensure that there are appropriate responses to land supply in the future. Labor will continue to work with CHC Affordable Housing to ensure it delivers up to 1,000 affordable dwellings by 2017. Labor will continue to develop innovative examples of sustainable and accessible housing to encourage more options for sustainable living in our neighbourhoods. We will continue to fund the affordable housing design awards to inspire and encourage innovative affordable housing design.

Building on our nation-leading Affordable Housing Action Plan, a re-elected Labor Government will embark on Phase II, focusing on affordable accommodation options for older Canberrans, particularly those on modest incomes, along with the homeless.

Labor will explore, report on and implement, in collaboration with industry and the community, innovative options for providing affordable and appropriate accommodation for an ageing population, including 'virtual villages', group houses, and other options for ageing in the community.

Labor will continue to work with the Commonwealth

ACT Labor will continue to work through COAG, to implement the Commonwealth Rent Assistance Scheme, currently being reviewed by the COAG Housing Working Group. Labor will work together with other jurisdictions to review tax regimes through a new National Affordable Housing Agreement and will continue to work to address homelessness and supported accommodation through the Coalition of Australian Governments.

Helping more Canberrans find a place to call home

\$720,000 for expansions to Transitional Housing

ACT Labor will provide \$720,000 over for years to expand the Transitional Housing Program for Canberrans experiencing or at risk of homelessness and also to support refugees. The Transitional Housing Program has been a success story for those Canberrans experiencing or at risk of homelessness providing transitional accommodation for those moving out of crisis to long-term, settled living. Transitional houses, provided by ACT Housing, are matched with resourcing for outreach services provided by local Canberra NGO's.

ACT Labor will provide an additional \$80,000 per year for an expansion to the existing program and will seek to address a gap in housing for families, particularly women with children escaping domestic violence.

A re-elected Labor Government will also provide \$400,000 to expand the Refugee Transitional Housing Program, a partnership between Companion House, Centacare and Housing ACT. ACT Labor will double the number of homes available for the program from 8 to 16 and will include additional outreach support and material assistance for clients in transitioning to longer-term housing arrangements.

Community Outreach for rough sleepers, particularly young people

ACT Labor will commit \$800,000 over 4 years to fund community outreach workers, equipped with transport, to travel around the city to known 'hang-outs' of rough sleepers. These community workers will concentrate particularly on places where young people frequent, such as shopping centres, libraries and nature reserves.

Introduce a program to voluntarily transfer public housing tenants to housing that better matches their needs

ACT Labor will introduce a program to voluntarily transfer public housing tenants to housing that better matches their needs and the needs of future tenants on waiting lists. It is estimated that around 1,000 public housing tenants are now living in homes with surplus, unoccupied rooms following changes in their personal circumstances. For instance, when children grow up and leave home, or when a relationship breaks down and a former partner moves into a new home with their children rooms that were once full may become unoccupied.

Transferring to another property that better suits ones needs has benefits for the public housing tenant, as well as freeing up the larger property for another family who needs the additional rooms. By moving into a more suitable home, living expenses may be decline and the home will be easier to look after.

Following extensive community consultation, guidelines for this voluntary program have been developed which include consideration of individual circumstances, tenant preferences and possible assistance with removal expenses. A re-elected Labor Government will fully implement this program.

Continue to house tenants into public housing as soon as possible

ACT Labor will continue to house Canberrans most in need who apply for public housing as soon as possible. New waiting list categories were introduced in June 2006 ensuring that those most in need were housed in less time. Applicants are now assessed according to need and whether their circumstances meet the criteria for Priority, High Needs or Standard housing. Canberrans who are Priority or High Needs include those families who are homeless, have mental health issues, serious medical issues or a disability, or may be frail-aged. These applicants may also include people with a disability where the natural support systems are at risk of breaking down, women (with or without children) escaping domestic violence, indigenous people facing complex issues and families with children at risk.

The average waiting time for those most in need is now around 50 days as compared to over nine months under the previous system. A re-elected Labor Government will continue to house those who need public housing as soon as possible.

Continue to make public housing more sustainable

ACT Labor is committed to making our public housing more sustainable and energy efficient through a \$20 million investment over 10 years. Labor will continue to implement this rolling program to provide more sustainable housing facilities for our tenants. These improvements include improvements to wall and ceiling insulation and energy efficiency of hot water systems and heating appliances.

This builds on Labor's commitment of \$500,000 over the past two years to improve water efficiency in our public housing. These improvements provided dual flush toilets, water saving shower heads, flow retardation devices and boundary limiting values.

Through these energy modifications, ACT Labor will not only make our public housing more energy efficient, but we will also be helping to reduce the cost of living for those on lower incomes.

\$1 million for Building Housing Partnerships

ACT Labor will provide \$1 million over four years for the Building Housing Partnerships program to help break the cycle of homelessness and disadvantage in our community. The program will support young people, aged persons, vulnerable families, and Indigenous families residing in public and community housing, and transitioning from homelessness.

Labor understands that there are a range of factors which contribute to individuals and families experiencing housing difficulty, which is why the Building Housing Partnerships program is backed by strong community development, family support, employment and skills and education policies that will assist Canberrans address challenges they may experience in their lives.

The Building Housing Partnerships program will provide:

- living skills programs for vulnerable families, including support to find training and employment;
- assistance for elderly tenants with minor household tasks and to maintain social contact with the community, to facilitate ageing in place;
- tailored housing support for tenants with diverse needs;
- culturally appropriate support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families; and
- an extension of the Youth Housing Program to assist young people in public housing to re-establish links with education and training and to find employment.

Protecting Canberrans in their homes

\$100,000 seed funding for Kids Under Cover

ACT Labor will provide \$100,000 to help Kids Under Cover establish a hub in Canberra. Kids Under Cover provide an early-intervention model to assist families in crisis stay together with temporary accommodation for young people and the provision of support services.

Through this seed funding, Kids Under Cover can help prevent our at-risk children and young people from becoming homeless by building demountable bungalows to help them remain in their homes and continuing to keep our at-risk families together.

Kids Under Cover are widely recognised for their successful model and won the 2008 Victoria Day Award for Community and Public Service.

Labor will increase awareness about rental bidding

Competition for rental properties in the ACT has been strong over recent years. This has led to an anecdotal increase in rental bidding - when an agent invites a prospective tenant to bid more than the advertised price, when an agent advertises a property with a price range, or when there is no rental price advertised. While rental bidding - rent auctions - are illegal under existing ACT law, Labor believes an information campaign will help inform Canberrans about the effects of rental bidding.

ACT Labor will commit \$50,000 a year towards a campaign to inform and educate real estate agents on rental bidding and the harmful effects it can have on renters. The campaign will

also target renters informing them of the impact that rental bidding can have on the rents that they pay.

Labor will look after our ageing

As our community ages, more Canberrans will make the choice to relocate to retirement villages or other residential aged care facilities. ACT Labor will explore avenues for legislating to protect the financial and other rights of Canberrans purchasing homes in retirement villages, including the rights of those who seek to leave such villages. These laws will build on work and community consultation already begun by Labor backbencher Mary Porter MLA.

Continue to work with all concerned to address disruptive behaviour in public housing

ACT Labor believes that all Canberrans have the right to feel safe and secure in their homes. Labor will continue to protect the rights of all Canberrans in their homes, including public housing tenants.

Labor recognises that governments have a social responsibility to assist people and those around them to resolve issues through support services such as anger management and alcohol and drug counselling. A recent amendment to the *Residential Tenancies Act* provides additional options other than an application for eviction if support programs are unable to remedy the situation.

ACT Labor will continue to work with community support providers to provide support services to public housing tenants who are experiencing difficulties with their neighbours.

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This should be now it.

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Hi Nikki

e's the current draft of the policy. Note, the initiatives won't change but there is still some editing to be done on the presentation.

Can you please arrange for Treasury to review the costings?

Many thanks

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BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A strong economy is fundamental to maintaining our standard of living, our high levels of employment, our business confidence, our government services and the social cohesion of our community.

A strong economy also gives us the capacity to invest in services and facilities for the community.

The ACT Government is committed to its role in ensuring that a strong, dynamic and resilient Territory economy meets the needs of the Canberra community now and into the future, maintains economic growth and promotes the ACT as the heart of our economic region.

Recently, the ACT Labor Government set out its broad direction for economic and business development in its *Capital Development: Towards our Second Century* strategy document. This policy now sets out the specific measures a ACT Labor will pursue to grow the economy, to assist business and to grow employment in the Territory.

The strengths of the ACT economy are its skilled and motivated workforce, and its flexible and enterprising business sector. If re-elected, the Government will continue to enable and support sustainable economic activity—to create an environment that attracts and retains skilled workers and investment, and allows both employees and business owners to drive economic growth and development.

At present, we live in turbulent economic times, and ACT Labor does not believe the ACT can simply sit back and be buffeted by changing national and international economic conditions. The ACT Labor Government is strong and experienced and committed to supporting sustained economic and business development for the benefit of the Territory and our community.

Our *Capital Development* strategy, and the specific measures presented in this policy will assist Canberra businesses to make the most of our present opportunities, and to meet the challenges of the future.

Jon Stanhope
Chief Minister, Treasurer,
Minister for Business and
Economic Development

Katy Gallagher
Deputy Chief Minister

A Proud Record of Encouraging and Supporting Business and Economic Development

ACT Labor has worked hard to encourage and support business and economic development in the Territory.

ACT Labor has taken the hard decisions needed to ensure it has the economic fundamentals right – a strong economy, continuing budget surpluses and restrained Government spending.

Within this context of a strong and growing economy, ACT Labor has launched carefully targeted business and industry programs aimed at encouraging local business, particularly small and medium enterprises, to grow and develop.

Our Record

Since coming to office, ACT Labor has:

- Worked to ensure the ACT economy has been one of the strongest performing in the country; in 2006-07 the 5% real increase in Gross State Product per capita was almost double the national rate of 3.2%
- Delivered consecutive surpluses in each year of government
- Maintained a budget cash position that is the envy of other states and territories
- Made unprecedented investments in the Territory's infrastructure, with annual capital works expenditure increasing from around \$100 million in 2001 to a record \$314 million in 2007-08
- Delivered more land for residential, commercial and industrial development. The 2008-09 Budget supports the release of around 3,300 dwelling sites a year, around an average of 110,000 square metres a year of commercial sites, and around 100,000 square metres a year of industrial sites.
- Over 3,400 residential building blocks were released in 2007-08, the highest number released in a single year since self-government. A further 4,200 blocks are scheduled to be released this year
- Maintained the highest level of services in the nation – at around 22 per cent above the national average, while our taxation levels remain middle-of-the-pack

This has been against a background of virtually full employment and a labour force participation rate at close to a record high.

Labor has achieved these outcomes while increasing the efficiency of its own operations. The internal efficiencies the Government has demanded of its agencies since coming to office deliver about \$100 million a year in savings, year after year.

Other ACT Labor policies

ACT Labor understands the need for a strong economy and a supportive environment for business can not be addressed just through specific economic and business measures alone. Thus, since coming to office, ACT Labor has also released and is implementing a range of other policies that make Canberra a more attractive city both for business and for employees with the skills our businesses need, including:

- *ACT Skills Future*- to tackle skills shortages
- *ACT Affordable Housing Action Plan* – to improve housing affordability
- *Weathering the Change* - the ACT's climate change strategy
- *ACT Water Strategy* to guarantee sustainable water supplies for a growing city.
- Strategies to improve the ACT's infrastructure, including beginning preparation of the ACT's first *Infrastructure Plan* and the 2008-09 Budget's billion dollar *Building the Future* infrastructure fund
- Budget and policy initiatives to further develop the ACT's health, education and transport systems

The social impacts of Labor's achievements in these areas are clear:

- Life expectancy has increased by half a year for males, and a year for females since Labor came to office and remains the highest in the country
- The proportion of Canberrans with a post-school qualification has increased by 5 percentage points and remains the highest in the country
- Household disposable income has increased by 47 per cent since Labor came to office and remains the highest in the country
- The proportion of Canberrans on low incomes has decreased by around 3.5 per cent, and is the lowest in Australia

The 2008-09 ACT Budget

In its 2008-09 Budget, the ACT Labor Government announced a billion-dollar *Building the Future* infrastructure package to increase the productive capacity of our economy and workforce through:

- The creation of a health system to serve the needs of the next decade and beyond
- Improvements to the transport system
- Investments in meeting the challenges of climate change
- Improvements to urban amenities
- Improved public service infrastructure
- Providing for the growth of the city and its economy

The 2008-09 Budget also provided significant support for small and medium businesses, innovation and skills. These measures, already being implemented, include:

Small business

- Support for business, private-sector development, innovation and research totalling \$16.5 million over four years
- A 20 per cent increase in the payroll tax threshold, from the current \$1.25 million to \$1.5 million, at a cost of around \$28.7 million over four years
- \$1 million in venture capital for the *Canberra Business Development Fund*, and

- \$1 million in targeted marketing initiatives to promote the ACT's investment and business profile

Innovation

- In response to the *Innovation, Creativity and Leadership* report:
 - ❖ A \$3.1 million early-stage innovation incubation program
 - ❖ \$1.1 million for the new CSIRO *Plant Phenomics Centre*, and \$2.5 million for the Australian National University's new *Climate Change Adaptation Centre of Excellence*

Supporting skills development

- \$36.6 million over four years in recurrent funding, and \$14.3 million in capital funding for skills. In particular, Labor has allocated:
 - ❖ \$2.5 million for additional places at CIT and an extra \$1 million for the CIT Vocational College
 - ❖ \$1.2 million to strengthen the *Skilled and Business Migration Program*, link final-year and graduating international students with potential employers and increase traineeships and apprenticeships in the ACT Public Service
 - ❖ \$4.2 million to strengthen the health workforce and a boost for the *Live in Canberra* campaign
 - ❖ Resources for a feasibility study into a new trades training centre in Fyshwick
 - ❖ \$2.5 million to build capacity and leadership in the ACT public service

Moving Forward

Building on this strong record of achievement, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with ACT business and other stakeholder groups to further strengthen the Territory's economy, to assist business and to grow employment.

The ACT Labor Government's recent *Capital Development: Towards our Second Century* economic and business development strategy laid out the broad directions and outlined the approach the Government will pursue if re-elected. This policy sets out specific measures the Government will undertake if re-elected to implement the broad strategy set out in the *Capital Development* strategy.

Maintain a strong economic base

A strong economy supports a strong business sector. As a first priority, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will maintain its commitment to strong fiscal management to provide the macroeconomic foundation to support business and continue the ACT's sustained economic development. At present, the ACT economy is strong, and only Labor has the experience and the vision to employ that strength to ensure the Territory is ready for the future. Labor's firm economic management is even more important for the well-being of the ACT following the recent turmoil in financial markets.

To ensure this continuing economic strength, if re-elected, ACT Labor pledges to maintain a surplus in each year's budget over its coming term.

Stronger ACT / Commonwealth Government coordination

Stronger and more effective collaboration between the ACT and Commonwealth Governments is important in avoiding problems and making the best use of the skills and resources of each Government in advancing the ACT.

The ACT Government will seek to enhance this relationship by approaching the Australian Government to establish a new Ministerial level forum with the aim of increasing the level of collaboration between the two governments for the benefit of the national capital.

Continue to build the Territory's skills base

Skill shortages are a continuing challenge for Canberra's businesses. The Territory needs more workers, and it needs more workers skilled in specific areas. Building on its response to the recommendations of the *ACT Skills Commission* through ACT *Skills Future Strategy*, and the 2008-09 Budget, ACT Labor will undertake suite of additional measures to address current and expected skills issues.

Encourage post-school training in areas of identified skills shortage

ACT Labor will support small business by helping them attract better-qualified workers through a mix of measures that support employees while they improve their skills and training and through policies that make Canberra a more attractive city for employees to move to and remain in once they have come to Canberra.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will consult with CIT and other stakeholders to develop and implement a scheme under which the ACT Labor Government will provide assistance with course fees and materials to CIT students studying in areas of skills shortage, at a cost of \$1,000,000 in its next term.

ACT Labor will help business employers attract university graduates and retain them once they graduate by paying students' on-going Higher Education Contribution Scheme payments while they remain employed in Canberra, at a cost of \$1,000,000 in its next term. This program will begin with graduates in areas of identified skills shortages, and will be reviewed during the term of the next ACT Labor Government for possible extension to other graduates.

Better access to training

A key element of ACT Labor's approach to business development is to enlarge the opportunities for business owners and employees to identify and easily access appropriate training.

Accordingly, a re-elected Labor Government will work with small businesses to identify and implement more effective means to deliver relevant information about appropriate training courses and providers to match the requirements of individual small businesses.

Building business and entrepreneurial skills in young adults

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will provide additional support over its next term for *Young Achievers Australia* to develop business skills in ACT high school, college and university students.

Young Achievers Australia is an innovative and effective leadership and business skills development program for the Territory's budding entrepreneurs. At present the program receives some in-kind and other ACT Labor Government assistance, and

under this proposal the current support will be augmented by an additional \$10,000 a year from 2008-09 in direct funding.

Continue to lobby the Commonwealth Government to address issues with the current business migration system

The current Commonwealth Government business migration system disadvantages the ACT in terms of attracting and retaining skilled workers important to Canberra businesses and the economy. ACT Labor will continue to lobby the Commonwealth to remove this disadvantage, and to assist the ACT attract skilled workers from other countries to meet ACT business needs.

Support small business

Keeping businesses ahead of technology change

ACT Labor will support home-based businesses and encourage home-based business start-ups by consulting with industry on measures to encourage all new land developments to provide *Fibre to Home* broadband connections.

ACT Labor will also work with the property and development industry to encourage the adoption of *common user* trenches for communications cabling, for all new residential, commercial and industrial developments.

Continue support for Canberra BusinessPoint

ACT Labor will continue to fund the *Canberra BusinessPoint* program, which has demonstrated its value in the provision of advice and mentoring services to ACT small business.

Business in Focus to continue

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will assist the business community to stage a biennial *Business in Focus Month*, commencing in September 2009 with the purposes of profiling Canberra as a place to do business and to assist businesses to develop new capabilities through education and information.

New payroll tax concession arrangements

Payroll tax is an important lever for the Government to use in attracting and retaining sustainable businesses that will grow the Territory economy and employ additional ACT workers.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will introduce a strategically focused payroll-tax concession program to support significant new private sector investment projects. A particular focus of the new approach will be on supporting innovation, growing ACT exports and further developing the skills capacity of ACT firms.

Building strategic relationships between business, Government and universities

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with ACT tertiary institutions and major public and private organisations to put in place supportive urban planning strategies that build, support and strengthen the innovation capability in the Acton-Bruce Innovation Corridor

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with tertiary education institutions and senior colleges to develop an integrated tertiary education system that meets current and emerging professional education and skill needs and opportunities

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will fund a feasibility study for a *Centre for Creative Enterprise and Cultural Production*, based on the capabilities at the Australian National University, University of Canberra and Canberra Institute of Technology, at a cost of \$100,000.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with education institutions, other education service providers and business, to grow and sustain the market for the export of education services. To assist this process, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will provide \$50,000 towards the cost of a business marketing strategy for the sector.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with the University of Canberra to position the University and its campus as a national and ACT-community indoor sports hub.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with the *Lighthouse Business Innovation Centre* located at the University of Canberra to trial a *Knowledge Connect* intermediary access program, to assist businesses develop strategic relationships with university and institution-based research staff.

Using Government purchasing to support local business

Reform of ACT Government procurement

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will review its procurement policies to further assist ACT businesses raise their awareness of Government procurement processes and procurement exercises, including through enhancing the ACT Government procurement website.

Small Business 30 day payment

As an extension of its business-friendly policies, under a re-elected ACT Labor Government all undisputed payments owed by the ACT Government to business and service suppliers to the Government will be paid within 30 days of receipt of an invoice. Government agencies that do not make payments on agreed invoices within 30 days will pay an additional, commercial rate of interest on late payments.

Assisting business prepare for climate change

Climate change is one of the most pressing challenges the ACT will face in the coming years. ACT Labor will assist business in a number of ways to prepare for climate change.

Small business climate change information service

It is also important that small businesses become aware of the possible impacts of climate change on their operations. ACT Labor will assist in this task by providing \$148,000 in its next term to fund a service providing best practice information and advice on climate change mitigation and adaptation measures.

Helping business to be wise with water

A particular issue is making better use of water, one of our most scarce resources. To assist small businesses with this challenge, the ACT Labor Government will provide \$600,000 over its next term to support business water audits and the development of business water management plans, to undertake business continuity planning and to support businesses implement water saving measures.

Building audits

The ACT has a large amount of ageing second and third class commercial property, that may not be being managed as effectively as possible in terms of its energy efficiency. To respond to this issue, ACT Labor, if re-elected, will provide funding of \$75,000 in its next term to fund building efficiency audits of second and third class commercial property.

Supporting exporters

ACT Labor will provide particular support for Territory businesses that export goods and services, or those that are striving to position themselves for export activity. In signing a Memorandum of Understanding with Austrade recently, the ACT Labor Government signalled its commitment to working with Austrade as well as local firms already exporting to seeking to export.

ACT Labor will further assist exporters by expanding the existing *Trade Connect Program* with an additional \$150,000 for a total of \$400,000 per year over the next three years.

If re-elected, ACT Labor will continue its current level of funding to support for the *ACT Exporters Network*, and the *ACT Chief Minister's Export Awards*.

ACT Labor will undertake a census of ACT exporters and export intenders to gather strategic information on ACT export capacity and to inform policy and measure the impact of programs and services. This will be updated every two years.

ACT Labor is committed to strengthening the Territory's connections with strategically important export markets such as China. It will work with local universities to deliver a feasibility study to establish a Confucius Institute in the ACT, based on successful models operating elsewhere in Australia and overseas. Confucius Institutes are dedicated to the promotion and development of Chinese language, culture and business relationships and based on a partnering model with a Chinese university. ACT Labor will also increase its support for the ACT Honorary Ambassador Program to assist the Government's trade, migration and investment facilitation objectives. The combined cost of these two initiatives is \$309,000 over the next term.

Encouraging innovation

Innovation Canberra

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with peak business groups and other stakeholders to establish a new entity, to be known as *Innovation Canberra*.

Innovation Canberra will be responsible for leading, driving and coordinating initiatives requiring the collaboration of industry, government, research organisations and the tertiary education sector in encouraging and promoting innovation in ACT business. If re-elected, the ACT Labor Government will provide funding of \$300,000 over the Government's next term for this new entity.

Continue support for Screen ACT

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will commit to a further funding agreement for *ScreenACT* to support Canberra's growing digital multimedia, film and documentary production sector, at a cost of \$555,000 in its next term.

CollabIT

It is important for ACT small and medium sized businesses operating in the information and communication technology field that they be supported to develop links with larger national and international firms in this sector.

To assist this, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with the Australian Information Industries Association on the *CollabIT* program, at a cost of \$150,000 over the next term of government.

Supporting retailers through urban renewal

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will continue to work to improve the attractiveness of Canberra as a place to live and work, invest and do business.

Improving Civic as the centre of the city

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with Canberra CBD Ltd to develop an integrated plan for Civic, and to refresh the Sydney and Melbourne buildings.

ACT Labor will support enhanced *Grooving in the City* style outdoor community activities in Civic in partnership with Canberra CBD Ltd.

Implementing the Government's new supermarket competition policy

ACT Labor will continue the implementation of its supermarket competition policy by undertaking a review of the Dickson, and a revision of the Dickson and Kingston Master Plans, at a cost of \$220, 000 in its next term if re-elected.

Upgrade and extend infrastructure

Good quality urban infrastructure provides a strong platform for ACT business, and the ACT Government is determined to ensure that the Territory's urban and other infrastructure is well planned, meeting priority needs and delivered on time. In pursuing these goals, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will undertake a number of measures, listed below.

Audit existing public assets

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will audit the ACT's public assets and infrastructure, including roads, bridges and other facilities to ascertain the state of our current capital assets.

Complete a ten-year infrastructure development plan

To strengthen its strategic approach to infrastructure planning for the Territory, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will complete a rolling ten-year infrastructure plan for the Territory. This *ACT Infrastructure Plan* will be used to inform the planning and delivery of the ACT Labor Government's billion dollar *Building the Future* capital works program.

New structures and processes for better coordination of infrastructure delivery

It is important to continue to review and improve processes for the planning and delivery of government services and facilities. In this light, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will investigate possible new structures and processes to better coordinate planning and delivery of the Government's infrastructure program, in particular:

- Better alignment of project planning and delivery with Government priorities;

- More certain commencement times for projects; and
- Expand the role of the ACT Government's *Strategic Project Facilitation Group* to take a more proactive role in identifying and addressing bottlenecks and assisting major private and public sector capital investment opportunities.

Canberra International Airport

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will support the development of Canberra International Airport through collaborations with Canberra International Airport in marketing and promotion initiatives.

Planning for a new National Convention Centre

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will proceed with a feasibility study into development of a new National Convention Centre for Canberra. An ACT Labor Government will also continue to seek Commonwealth financial and other participation in this important ACT and national project.

Taxis

The ACT Labor Government believes current issues within the Canberra taxi industry are a major concern for the community, the tourism industry and the taxi industry itself. The ACT Labor Government has already taken a number of initiatives, but more remains to be done.

In consultation with the industry and other stakeholders, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will work through a consultative forum to identify long-term solutions to the problems of the taxi industry, including:

- Making the taxi industry a higher priority for the Government's Live in Canberra skills attraction program to address the shortage of taxi drivers in the ACT;
- Reviewing the formula underpinning the taxi Composite Cost Index;
- A formula addressing the future release of taxi plates; and
- Other legislative impediments to the taxi industry.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will also assist the taxi industry by continuing to encourage more High Occupancy Taxis within the existing fleet.

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Nikki
Attached is the tally sheet. Pls note that it contains most things up until yesterday.
It doesn't fully reflect yet - Urban Services, Climate Change or Mental Health costings,
nor things announced at lunchtime today.
Neil

-----Original Message-----
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Sent: Monday, October 13, 2008 5:20 PM
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Liberal Party Tally Sheet

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGs Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-Election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424
Election Policy Document Commitments - Recurrent				
<i>Education</i>				
Reverse School Closures ¹	0	0	0	0
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes	-838	-3,016	-7,632	-13,022
More High School Teachers	-419	-1,307	-2,492	-3,298
Teacher Training for Mature Age Subject Specialists	-200	-373	-780	-800
Graduate Scholarship		-80	-160	-240
Professional Support for Teachers			-125	-577
Education Complaints Commissioner		-583	-534	-551
<i>Education Complaints Commissioner - Absorb</i>		583	534	551
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Duplication of GDE				-1,900
Infrastructure Canberra Commissioner	-400	-1,200	-1,500	-1,600
Infrastructure Canberra Public Works Committee	-80	-150	-155	-160
<i>Health</i>				
Bulk billing GP for the suburbs (West Belconnen and Lanyon)	-300	0	0	0
Three GP Clinics		-6,743	-7,195	-7,449
GPs for Canberra Fund	-4,500			
Young GP Entrepreneurs Fund	-90	-60	-100	
Dental Care for Seniors	-208	-498	-511	-524
Transport for Seniors		-100		
Mental Health - 20 Bed Young person's unit			-295	-295
Mental Health - 24 hour support - crisis assessment team	-61	-245	-252	-260
Mental Health - Awareness Education yr 11 and 12	-41	-83	-85	-88
Mental Health - Educating police and community workers	-23	-55	-57	-58
Mental Health - Review of Workforce		-200	-100	
Mental Health - Five bonded study scholarships		-40	-80	-160
Mental Health - Sign up incentives returning staff		-60	-60	-60
Mental Health - Staffing increase		-240	-494	-764
Mental Health - Suicide prevention strategy		-200		
<i>Community Consultation</i>				
Funding for Auditor-General	-56	-105	-108	-111
Draft Budget Process	-80	-82	-84	-86
<i>Draft Budget Process - Absorb²</i>	80	82	84	86
State of Territory Report	-50	-30	-35	-40
<i>State of Territory Report - Absorb²</i>	50	30	35	40
State of Environment Report	-30	-31	-32	-32
<i>State of Environment Report - Absorb²</i>	30	31	32	32
Re-open Civic Shopfront ³				
Reform Freedom of Information Law		-31	-32	-33
<i>Reform Freedom of Information Law - Absorb²</i>		31	32	33
<i>Planning</i>				
Unclogging the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Ageing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation		-246	-235	-245
<i>Waiting List for Aged Accommodation - Absorb²</i>		246	235	245
Identify Multi-Unit Properties for Older Residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Identify Multi-Unit Properties for Older Residents - Absorb²</i>	25			
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
Establish "Canberra Tourism"		-460	-475	-491
<i>Establish "Canberra Tourism" - Absorb</i>		460	475	491
Commonwealth Park upgrade	0	-1,000	-4,000	-5,000
<i>Environment</i>				
Green Waste			-8,266	-9,028
Home Insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home Insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
<i>Multiculturalism</i>				
Multicultural Festival	-50	-75	-100	-103
Ethnic Schools Association	-20	-60	-62	-64
Community Languages Grant		-50	-50	-50
Increased Space Multicultural Centre		-125	-126	-131

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Ministerial Advisory Council - Multicultural Affairs		-25	-26	-27
<i>Community Services</i>				
Funding of Autism Asperger	-50	-150	-400	-412
<i>Youth</i>				
Expand the Night Rider bus service	-326	-333	-342	-351
Scholarship for disadvantaged students	-15	-40	-41	-42
After hours youth counselling	-20	-110	-113	-117
Support for teen parents - trial		-100	-200	
Inter-varsity grants scheme		-200	-200	-200
Guideline material for event organisers	-50	-50		
PCYC - Construction of facility - Gungahlin			-58	-58
PCYC - Equipment and fitout - Gungahlin			-30	-30
PCYC - Equipment and fitout - Others	-300	-400		
PCYC - Staffing and operations - Gungahlin			-250	-300
PCYC - Staffing and operations - Others	-100	-300	-350	-300
PCYC - Additional staff - Gungahlin			-200	-203
<i>Transport</i>				
Bike path signposting		-11	-26	-26
Bike path maintenance	-1,200	-500		
Bike path capital upgrades - stage 1			-4	-4
Missing links in the bike path network				-20
Bike lockers for park and ride		-12	-12	-12
Park and Ride - Tuggeranong, Weston Creek, North Canberra			-36	-68
Parkes Way Widening				
Tharwa Drive Duplication				
Tharwa Bridge			-212	-212
Erindale Drive Duplication				-120
New Bus Services	-400	-750	-750	-1,000
Traffic Calming measures			-80	-160
CCTV on buses	-20	-146	-148	-150
Taxi Review	-75	-75		
Taxi Consultation Forum	-12	-30	-31	-32
<i>Sport & Recreation</i>				
Assist families take up sport		-500	-500	-500
New Statutory Authority - ACTIVE Canberra		-460	-475	-491
New Statutory Authority - ACTIVE Canberra - Absorb		460	475	491
Master Plan for Bruce-Lyneham-EPIC	-500			
Feasibility Study - Sports House	-200			
ACTAS funding		-200	-300	-400
Community Grants funding - increase in community grant funding	-100	-300	-385	-570
Community Grants funding - training grants	-80	-160	-165	-170
Community Grants funding - Field Officer grants	-120	-240	-250	-260
Traineeship grants	-12	-25	-25	-25
New and upgraded facilities			-167	-388
Drought-proofing ovals and playing grounds		-117	-213	-240
<i>Greater Gungahlin</i>				
Review of Gov leases/relocation	-70			
Children's play area			-32	-32
<i>Arts</i>				
2010 Canberra Art Biennale		-500	-500	
Canberra Symphony Orchestra	-50	-100	-100	-100
Canberra Pops	-15	-30	-30	-30
ArtsACT	-25	-50	-50	-50
Fringe Festival prize	-30	-30	-30	-30
Canberra International Film Festival		-20	-20	-20
Canberra Short Film Festival Prize		-8	-8	-8
Public art - selection process		-38	-39	-39
<i>Indigenous</i>				
Indigenous curriculum - Ngunnawal heritage	-60	-30		
Indigenous traineeships	-20	-165	-170	-175
CIT Trade Skills centre - Indigenous coordinator		-90	-93	-96
Indigenous Women's Shelter - feasibility study	-100			
Assessment of Indigenous organisations	-80			

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Urban Services				
Inner South Library - Fitout and extension community space ⁴		-50	-50	-50
Inner south Library - Collections ⁴			-80	-82
Inner south Library - Operating Costs ⁴	-200	-525	-540	-557
Civic Shopfront - fitout and equipment ⁴		-46	-46	-46
Civic Shopfront - operating costs ⁴		-600	-618	-636
Urban Rangers		-300	-309	-318
Shopping Centre Renewal		-17	-117	-217
Look of the City Maintenance		-1,000	-1,030	-1,061
Climate Change				
Renewable Energy Park Infrastructure				
Climate Change Canberra Taskforce		-200	-500	-800
Industrial Relations				
Extension of Maternity and Paternity leave		-1,680	-1,740	-1,790
Total Election Commitments*	-13,039	-30,232	-50,809	-62,837
Election Policy Document Commitments - Revenue				
Housing Affordability				
No Stamp Duty for First Home Buyers	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue*	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Savings Proposed - Recurrent				
Total Proposed Savings*	0	0	0	0
Total Recurrent Impact	-34,314	-62,108	-84,580	-98,561

Unverified Savings Proposed - Recurrent⁵				
Reverse School Closures ⁵	0	0	0	0
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes ⁵	838	3,016	7,632	13,022
No Stamp Duty for First Home Buyers ⁵	21,275	31,876	33,771	35,724

Media Release Election Commitments - Recurrent				
10 extra police (\$1m)		-1,200	-1,216	-1,231
Neighbourhood Watch (\$50k/yr)		-50	-50	-50
Safety Houses, RecLink, Community Groups (\$?)				
Other Community-based crime prevention and recovery ??				
Support for single aged pensioners				
Total Election Commitments and Media Commitments	-13,039	-31,482	-52,075	-64,118

Notes

1. Treasury has been unable to cost this commitment. The policy commitment is to fund both recurrent and capital costs from a \$10 million School Reinstatement Fund. The Fund will come from savings in the 2009-10 Budget, including the capital works budget. Treasury requires information to undertake the costing such as the schools proposed to be reopened, the timeframe when this is to occur and the operating model chosen. Further, Treasury has not been able to confirm the achievability of establishing the \$10 million fund due to limited information on the source of savings.

2. The Liberal Party has advised Treasury that these costs are to be absorbed.

3. Treasury has been unable to cost this commitment. Treasury requires further information to undertake the costing such as the commencement date, the scope of services to be offered, the operating model and possible reallocation of services and resources from other shopfronts. Treasury estimates that the previous Civic shopfront recurrent cost of around \$1.3 million per annum. An initial capital investment of \$1 million would be required to re-establish a similar service.

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2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s	\$'000s

- 4. Treasury is yet to assess the costing
 - 5. The Liberal Party has indicated as part of its policy announcements that these commitments would be offset by savings, however specific areas or methodologies has not been identified. As such, their achievability has not yet been assessed by Treasury.
- * Costs are indicative and are to be refined. Totals are reflective of announcements made to date and does not represent an exhaustive list. More policy announcements are expected to be released before the Election.

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Election Policy Document Commitments - Capital				
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Duplication of GDE	-13,500	-55,500	-26,000	
		<i>Infrastructure Capital Works provision offset</i>	26,000	
<i>Environment</i>				
Green Waste			-7,800	
Home Insulation - Public Housing		476	-36	-440
<i>Health</i>				
GP Clinics	-5,900			
Young GP Entrepreneurs Fund	-2,250	-1,500		
Mental Health - 20 Bed Young person's unit		-1,500	-6,315	-4,000
<i>Community Consultation</i>				
Re-open Civic Shopfront ²				
<i>Multiculturalism</i>				
Increased Space Multicultural Centre - fitout		-156		
<i>Youth</i>				
PCYC - Construction of facility - Gungahlin	-300	-2,600		
PCYC - Equipment and fitout - Gungahlin			-300	
<i>Transport</i>				
Bike path signposting	-400	-500		
Bike path maintenance				
Bike path capital upgrades - stage 1		-400		
Missing links in the bike path network			-2,000	-2,000
Bike lockers for Park and Ride	-120			
Park and Ride - Tuggeranong, Weston Creek, North Canberra		-900	-800	-300
Parkes Way Widening			-15,000	-5,000
Tharwa Drive Duplication				-3,000
Tharwa Bridge	-1,200	-3,500		
		<i>Offset out year funding</i>	3,000	1,700
Erlindale Drive Duplication		-1,000	-2,000	
Traffic Calming measures		-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Dragway	-2,000			
CCTV on buses	-350			
<i>Sport & Recreation</i>				
Drought-proofing ovals and playing grounds	-2,200	-1,800	-500	-500
		<i>Climate Change Capital Works provision offset</i>	1,800	500
New and upgraded facilities		-6,000	-8,000	-10,000
<i>eater Gungahlin</i>				
Gungahlin Pool	-500	-8,000	-13,500	
Children's play area		-600		
<i>Arts</i>				
Public art	-150	-285	-294	-302
Public art - selection process	-130			
<i>Education</i>				
Smaller School Classes		-935	-963	-992
<i>Urban Services</i>				
Inner South Library - Fitout and extension community space ⁴	-1,000			
Inner south Library - Collections		-400	-8	-8
City Shopfront - fitout and equipment ⁴	-920			
Shopping Centre Renewal	-500	-3,000	-3,000	-3,000
<i>Climate Change</i>				
Green Loan Fund		-4,000		
Renewable Energy Park Infrastructure (\$13.4m)		-400	-9,000	-4,000
Savings Proposed				
<i>Education</i>				
Smaller School Classes ⁵		935	963	992
Reverse School Closures ¹				
<i>Arts</i>				
Percent for Art Scheme		2,693	1,769	1,258
<i>Transport</i>				
Pay Parking at Mawson Shops	0	0	0	0

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Media Release Election Commitments - Capital				
<i>Existing capital provision offset</i>	-	33,572	65,284	31,092
Total Proposed Capital Projects*	-31,420	0	0	0

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Nikki
Labor costings attached. Doesn't yet include all policy elements for Community Places,
Planning or Children and Young People.
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GGS Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-Election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424
Election commitments - Recurrent				
<i>Ageing</i>				
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors			-36	-36
Golden Stories		-20	-20	-20
Council of Ageing - Senior card directory		-60		
<i>Multicultural</i>				
Migrant Resource Centre		-50	-50	-50
ACT Community Languages Grant Program		-25	-25	-25
Improve Migrant Transitional Housing		-100	-100	-100
Multicultural Youth Services Program		-25	-25	-25
<i>Tourism</i>				
Major autumn event		-1,204	-1,234	-1,265
<i>Indigenous</i>				
Indigenous Public Service Traineeships Program		-29	-30	-31
Indigenous Leadership Grants Program		-78	-80	-82
Grandparenting - Primary Care		-39	-40	-41
Independent Facilitator for Elected Indigenous Body		-50	-51	-53
Ngunnawal Genealogy Project		-75	-75	
Indigenous Teachers & Teacher's Assistants attraction scheme		-160	-168	-177
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Community Fire Units		-48	-118	-142
<i>Education</i>				
Gifted and talented students - support parents		-62	-31	-32
Gifted and talented students - provision for GATS		-85	-86	-87
Gifted and talented students - identifying students		-116	-119	-122
Grants for School Parent Groups	-2,087			
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes		-3,087	-6,379	-6,836
Increased Administrative Support		-397	-413	-423
Volunteering in ACT Schools		-107	-111	-114
Landscaping in schools			-122	-176
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre				-300
Harrison High School				-563
Additional IT - Public Schools		-94	-344	
Additional IT - Non Government Schools		-1,500	-1,000	
InSPIRE Centre			-472	-917
Cluster Literacy and Numeracy Experts		-1,986	-2,035	-2,085
English as a Second Language		-428	-883	-905
National Capital Literacy and Learning Centre		-117	-120	-123
Support for ACT Ethnic Schools		-20	-21	-21
Increased Links to Foreign Embassies		-30	-31	-32
College and High School Innovation Fund		-550	-250	
ASBAs in Schools		-350	-359	-368
Equity Funds for Disability, Literacy and Numeracy		-1,000	-1,025	-1,051
<i>Integrated Transport Plan</i>				
Introduce tourist route between major attractions		-212	-220	-230
Increase frequency of bus services		-1,756	-1,828	-1,900
Parliamentary Triangle lunchtime bus service		-354	-367	-382
Additional bus shelters and seats at bus stops			-9	-9
<i>Sport and Recreation</i>				
Smart Start program		-200	-200	-200
Children's Activity Foundation		-300	0	0
Motorsport funding - Strategy		-200		
Motorsport funding - Fairbairn Park upgrade		-1,750	-1,750	
Motorsport funding - Investment Fund		-950	-950	-950
Motorsport funding - Offroad Riding Area		-500		
Assist elite local sporting teams in national league competitions		-165	-165	-165
Additional support for the Brumbies	-265			
Design work for swimming pool in Molonglo				
Assistance for Australian School-Based Apprenticeship in the sport and recreation industry		-53	-55	-57
Improvements to Griffith Oval			-66	-66
Redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields			-30	-30
Upgrade and expand the Woden Gymnastics Club		-100	-24	-24
Develop a new basketball stadium and player amenities				
Re-develop ACT Tennis Centre			-180	-180

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
<i>Health</i>				
Supporting our GP workforce		-1,500	-2,517	-3,568
New Gungahlin Community Health Centre			-3,500	-5,000
Three new "walk-in health centres"		0	-2,000	-2,080
Chronic disease management - feasibility adult and young persons		-300		
Meeting increased demand for services (cancer)		-1,000	-2,034	-3,102
Digital mammography		-1,278	-1,796	-1,858
Provision of a public mammography service		-423	-440	-457
Telephone and web-based coaching		-250	-420	-1,030
Case Management and care coordination chronic health		-300	-814	-1,372
Patient Care register chronic health		-200	-400	-100
Home Tele Monitoring		-250	-400	-600
Aboriginal Health awareness		-1,450	-1,828	-1,906
Healthy Children		-1,350	-1,383	-1,417
Healthy Children - Obesity Awareness		-650	-667	-683
Care for smallest babies		-121	-2,123	-5,555
Doctors and Nurses Women's and Children's Hospital				
Increased access to surgery including neurosurgery		-3,238	-6,362	-9,591
Care for elder citizens		-3,316	-6,874	-10,694
E-health and smart technology				
Expand role of allied health professional, doctors, nurses, etc		-500	-1,517	-2,568
More hospital beds and hospital in the home		-6,500	-13,941	-20,895
Mental Health - Increased capacity community based services		-2,000	-3,068	-4,170
Mental Health - Assessment unit		-2,522	-2,624	-2,740
Mental Health - Staffing 40 bed inpatient facility			-1,500	-4,402
Mental Health - Staffing secure facility				-8,564
		<i>Growth provision offset</i>	27,148	56,208
				92,352
<i>Climate Change</i>				
Rebates for energy-efficient appliances or insulation		-717	-739	-761
Rebate for low income households		-717	-739	-761
Rebate 5 star appliances for renters		-717	-739	-761
Extend solar water rebate		-361	-370	-380
Reducing salinity in waste water		-111	-114	-116
Extend Free grey water hose program		-250		
Water efficient washing machines rebates		-361	-370	-380
Water tank rebate		-113	-116	-119
Water audits and management plans		-143	-148	-152
Green power awareness		-35	-37	-38
Smart Meters		0	0	0
Eco Buy program		-5	-49	-50
Community gardens		-20	-20	-20
Free drop off of electronic waste		-444	-464	-485
Vouchers to households to support collection of bulky waste		-359	-369	-380
Materials recycling at Mugga and Mitchell		-618	-897	-1,300
Supermarket composting handbook		-60	0	0
Small business advice		-48	-49	-51
Increase uptake of green power		-300	-307	-315
More hybrid cars in Government fleet			-120	-123
LED lighting in Civic		0	0	0
Building Council Green Star rating	-75			
Solar Schools			-73	-164
<i>Environment</i>				
Care for nature reserves		-181	-185	-190
Conserving significant private reserves	-84	-86	-88	-90
Native tree and shrub re-generation in Central Molonglo		-50	-50	-50
Lower Cotter Catchment plantings		-1,000		
		<i>Existing Tree Planting Provision Offset</i>	1,000	
Indoor air quality awareness		-50		
Noise pollution awareness campaign		-50		
RSPCA new location planning		-50		
Program to reduce feral rabbits		-120	-123	-127
<i>Disability</i>				
Speech therapy		-910	-873	-904
Flexible Support fund		-200	-205	-210
Companion Card		-145	-92	-80
Play Therapists		-489	-464	-470
<i>Carers</i>				
Carers Advocacy Service		-200	-200	-200

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Grandparents' support service		-200	-200	-200
Emergency relief for carers to offset rising prices	-2,500			
<i>Heritage</i>				
New Arts Facility - Fitters' Workshop Kingston				
Weston Park - historic cottage & English garden upgrade			-5	-5
Pioneer graves and cemeteries resource		-55	-130	
Curriculum unit on Canberra History				
Canberra stories - signs and displays				-100
Guidance to conserving heritage assets		-10	-10	-10
Revitalise Heritage Festival		-20	-20	-20
<i>Justice and Law Reform</i>				
Streamlined Court administration		-125		
Reform Self Government Act		-50		
Electronic Filing			-124	-126
Sentencing Council		-153	-166	-160
Review Freedom of Information Law		-31	-32	-33
<i>Policing and Community Safety</i>				
Suburban policing consultative committees		-300		
Community safety CCTV partnership program		-520	-320	-326
<i>Skills and Training</i>				
Fees assistance for CIT students in areas of skill shortage.		-300	-350	-359
HECS debts for students in areas of skill shortage		-300	-350	-359
Young Achievers Australia		-10	-10	-10
Technology upgrades at the CIT		-125	-250	-375
<i>Fair and Safe Workplaces</i>				
Extension of maternity and paternity leave		-1,680	-1,740	-1,790
Industrial Relations NGO body		-300	-200	
<i>Community Places</i>				
Town and District Park upgrades*				
Tuggeranong town park stage		-10	-18	-18
City Centre precinct upgrades				
Shopping centre upgrades*				
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure*	-5,011	-30,531	-33,612	-32,963
Election commitments - Revenue				
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue*	0	0	0	0
Election commitments - Savings				
Total Proposed Savings*	0	0	0	0
Media Release Election Commitments - Recurrent				
Support for Valley FM89.5		-15	-15	-15
RSPCA cost pressures	-100			
Emergency relief for charity and welfare groups	-1,000			
West Belconnen community health co-operative	-220			
Dickson and Kingston Master Plans		-220		
Neighbourhood Watch		-20	-21	-21
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure - Media Releases*	-1,320	-255	-36	-36
Total Election Commitments and Media Commitments	-6,331	-30,786	-33,648	-32,999

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Election Policy Document Commitments - Capital				
<i>Ageing</i>				
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors	-190	-1,400		
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Community Fire Units		-143	-146	
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Landscaping			-1,500	-3,500
Harrison High School		-15,600	-15,600	
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre		-500	-1,500	-3,000
Additional IT - Pubic Schools		-1,500	-2,500	-1,000
InSPIRE Centre			-100	-104
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes			-6,000	
<i>Integrated Transport Plan</i>				
Additional bus shelters and seats at bus stops		-140		
<i>Sport and Recreation</i>				
Gungahlin Pool complex		-1,000	-9,000	-10,000
Redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax fields		-2,000		
Redevelop ACT tennis centre		-4,500	0	
Improvements to Griffith Oval		-1,000		
Develop a new basketball stadium and player amenities			-500	-2,500
Upgrade and expand the Woden Gymnastics Club		-550		
<i>Health</i>				
Free Mammography service		-285		
New and Refurbished Community Health facilities				
Integrated Cancer Centre of Excellence				
Additional beds				
New operating theatres and endoscopy suites				
New emergency departments				
New Skills Development Centre				
E-health technology				
<i>Climate Change</i>				
Solar Schools		-729	-911	-360
<i>Environment</i>				
Care for nature reserves		-408	-271	-271
<i>Heritage</i>				
New Arts Facility - Fitters' Workshop Kingston			-500	-500
Weston Park - historic cottage & English garden upgrade		-200		
<i>Skills and Training</i>				
Technology upgrades at the CIT		-1,250	-1,250	-1,250
<i>Community Places</i>				
Town and District Park upgrades*				
Tuggeranong town park stage		-200		
City Centre precinct upgrades*		-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Shopping centre upgrades*				
Media Release Election Commitments - Capital				
		33,405	41,778	24,485
<i>Existing capital provision offset</i>				
Total Proposed Capital Projects*	-190	0	0	0

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Pulford, Nikki

From: Smithies, Megan
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 3:02 PM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Subject: FW: re debate

for what it's worth

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 2:45 PM
To: Smithies, Megan
Subject: FW: re debate

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From: Rangunathan, Ragu
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2008 2:33 PM
To: Bulless, Neil; Griffiths, Michael
Cc: Friend, Stuart
Subject: RE: re debate

Neil

No major announcements were made.

Debate covered the a range of commitments already made.

JS's main point throughout the debate was that Liberals will cut the the Health budget by \$250m (on the basis that only \$50m of the \$300m has been committed by Liberals). ZS in answer to the question on savings measures said that the Health spending will not be cut. He did not specify any savings, but said that a Liberal govt will have different priorities and mentioned two which are not their priorities - Busway and ESA HQ at Fairbairn (indirectly by saying that rents for empty buildings).

In response to a question on the priorities for the first 100 days, ZS said that the Liberals will concentrate on implementing policies to reduce class sizes in Y4 and increase the number of high school teachers (Education), establish bulk-billing GP clinics (Health) and green bins and insulating houses of low income people (Environment). JS was not specific, but said that Labor will continue with the broad policy agenda in each of the area.

Labor will be releasing the Planning and Housing policies in the next couple of days.

Ragu

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 10:34 AM
To: Griffiths, Michael; Rangunathan, Ragu
Subject: re debate

Reception room at the Assembly – starts 12:30pm

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Subject: Liberal election commitment: Privare Schools

Party: Liberal

Date: 14 October 2008

Source: Canberra Times / Libs Media Release

Issue: Private Schools

Announced costing: \$2 million

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/lib-pledge-2-million-for-private-schools/1332551.aspx#>

http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/html/s02_article/article_view.asp?id=430&nav_top_id=-1&nav_cat_id=-1

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Subject: Liberal election commitment: Light Rail

Party: Liberal

Date: 13 October 2008

Source: Liberal Media Release / Canberra Times

Issue: Light Rail

Announced costing: \$8 million

http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/html/s02_article/article_view.asp?id=429&nav_top_id=-1&nav_cat_id=-1

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/opposition-to-spend-8-million-to-see-if-light-rail-is-on-the-right-track/1332550.aspx#>

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Subject: Labor election commitment: Interest Free Loans

Party: Labor

Date: 14 October 2008

Source: Labor Media Release / Canberra Times

Issue: Interest Free Loans

Announced costing: \$1.2 million

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/stanhope-offers-interestfree-loans/1332541.aspx#>

<http://www.actlabor.com.au/Documents/2008%20Campaign%20Media%20Releases/084%20Media%20Release%20-%20Stanhope%20-%202013%20October%202008.pdf>

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Subject: Liberal election commitment: Transport / Urban Services

Party: Liberal

Date: 14 October 2008

Source: Liberal Media Release

Issue: Urban Services

Announced costing: \$itemised

<http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/files/8VMUGRL8RT/Moving%20Canberra.pdf>

<http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/files/2ASAJD6BUG/Urban%20Services.pdf>

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Friend, Stuart

From: Ahmed, Khalid
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 10:55 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Friend, Stuart; Smithies, Megan; Bulless, Neil
Subject: Pensioners

Nikki

The policy provides one off payment of \$500 to single age pensioners in the Territory. There are currently around 8,600 single age pensioners (trending up), and as such the funding allocated under the policy (\$4.5 million) would be adequate to support this group.

The ABS data indicates that in 2006, there were around 7,100 people on disability support pension (ABS Cat. No. 4102.0). This group would be excluded under the policy.

The total number of pensioners in the Territory is in excess of 31,000 as at the end of August 2008. This includes couples on aged pension and people on disability support pension. The policy therefore excludes around 22,700 pensioners.

... other words, the policy supports around 27% of the pensioners and excludes around 73% of the pensioners.

Background Data:

Single aged pensioners: 8,571
Total Number of Pensioner Concession Card Holders: 31,257

Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 11:00 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Smithies, Megan; Friend, Stuart
Subject: FW:
Attachments: 20081014095310931.pdf

As discussed minor updates since last night Neil

-----Original Message-----

From: Stuart Friend [<mailto:stuart.friend@act.gov.au>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2008 10:53 AM
To: Bulless, Neil
Subject:

This E-mail was sent from "RNPB97FEB" (Aficio MP C4500).

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s	2012-13 \$'000s
GGS Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-Election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424	
Election commitments - Recurrent					
<i>Ageing</i>					
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors			-36	-36	-36
Golden Stories		-20	-20	-20	
Council of Ageing - Senior card directory		-60			
<i>Multicultural</i>					
Migrant Resource Centre		-50	-50	-50	-50
ACT Community Languages Grant Program		-25	-25	-25	-25
Improve Migrant Transitional Housing		-100	-100	-100	-100
Multicultural Youth Services Program		-25	-25	-25	-25
<i>Tourism</i>					
Major autumn event		-1,204	-1,234	-1,265	-1,297
<i>Indigenous</i>					
Indigenous Public Service Traineeships Program		-29	-30	-31	
Indigenous Leadership Grants Program		-78	-80	-82	-84
Grandparenting - Primary Care		-39	-40	-41	
Independent Facilitator for Elected Indigenous Body		-50	-51	-53	-54
Ngunnawal Genealogy Project		-75	-75		
Indigenous Teachers & Teacher's Assistants attraction scheme		-160	-168	-177	-181
<i>Emergency Services</i>					
Community Fire Units		-48	-118	-142	-144
<i>Education</i>					
Gifted and talented students - support parents		-62	-31	-32	-33
Gifted and talented students - provision for GATS		-85	-86	-87	-88
Gifted and talented students - Identifying students		-116	-119	-122	-125
Grants for School Parent Groups	-2,087				
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes		-3,087	-6,379	-6,836	-6,998
Increased Administrative Support		-397	-413	-423	-434
Volunteering in ACT Schools		-107	-111	-114	-117
Landscaping in schools			-122	-176	-100
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre					-100
Harrison High School				-300	-300
Additional IT - Public Schools		-94	-344	-563	-625
Additional IT - Non Government Schools		-1,500	-1,000		
InSPIRE Centre			-472	-917	-960
Cluster Literacy and Numeracy Experts		-1,986	-2,035	-2,085	-2,137
English as a Second Language		-428	-883	-905	-928
National Capital Literacy and Learning Centre		-117	-120	-123	-126
Support for ACT Ethnic Schools		-20	-21	-21	-22
Increased Links to Foreign Embassies		-30	-31	-32	-32
College and High School Innovation Fund		-550	-250		
ASBAs in Schools		-350	-359	-368	-377
Equity Funds for Disability, Literacy and Numeracy		-1,000	-1,025	-1,051	-1,077
<i>Integrated Transport Plan</i>					
Introduce tourist route between major attractions		-212	-220	-230	-238
Increase frequency of bus services		-1,756	-1,828	-1,900	-1,976
Parliamentary Triangle lunchtime bus service		-354	-367	-382	-397
Additional bus shelters and seats at bus stops			-9	-9	-9
<i>Sport and Recreation</i>					
Smart Start program		-200	-200	-200	-200
Children's Activity Foundation		-300	0	0	0
Motorsport funding - Strategy		-200			
Motorsport funding - Fairbairn Park upgrade		-1,750	-1,750		
Motorsport funding - Investment Fund		-950	-950	-950	-950
Motorsport funding - Offroad Riding Area		-500			
Assist elite local sporting teams in national league competitions		-165	-165	-165	-165
Additional support for the Brumbies	-265				
Design work for swimming pool in Molonglo					-200
Assistance for ASBA's in the sport and recreation industry		-53	-55	-57	-60
Improvements to Griffith Oval			-66	-66	-66
Re-develop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields			-30	-30	-30
Upgrade and expand the Woden Gymnastics Club		-100	-24	-24	-14
Develop a new basketball stadium and player amenities					-60
Re-develop ACT Tennis Centre			-180	-180	-180

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Health					
Supporting our GP workforce		-1,500	-2,517	-3,568	-4,653
New Gungahlin Community Health Centre			-3,500	-5,000	-5,170
Three new "walk-in health centres"		0	-2,000	-2,080	-6,720
Chronic disease management - feasibility adult and young persons		-300			
Meeting increased demand for services (cancer)		-1,000	-2,034	-3,102	-4,204
Digital mammography		-1,278	-1,796	-1,858	-1,920
Provision of a public mammography service		-423	-440	-457	-475
Telephone and web-based coaching		-250	-420	-1,030	-1,600
Case Management and care coordination chronic health		-300	-814	-1,372	-1,660
Patient Care register chronic health		-200	-400	-100	-126
Home Tele Monitoring		-250	-400	-600	-818
Aboriginal Health awareness		-1,450	-1,828	-1,906	
Healthy Children		-1,350	-1,383	-1,417	
Healthy Children - Obesity Awareness		-650	-667	-683	
Care for smallest babies		-121	-2,123	-5,555	-5,776
Doctors and Nurses Women's and Children's Hospital					-11,610
Increased access to surgery including neurosurgery		-3,238	-6,362	-9,591	-12,925
Care for elder citizens		-3,316	-6,874	-10,694	-14,795
E-health and smart technology					-2,000
Expand role of allied health professional, doctors, nurses, etc		-500	-1,517	-2,568	-3,653
More hospital beds and hospital in the home		-6,500	-13,941	-20,895	-25,530
Mental Health - Increased capacity community based services		-2,000	-3,068	-4,170	-5,306
Mental Health - Assessment unit		-2,522	-2,624	-2,740	-2,856
Mental Health - Staffing 40 bed inpatient facility			-1,500	-4,402	-4,521
Mental Health - Staffing secure facility				-8,564	-8,839
<i>Growth provision offset</i>		27,148	56,208	92,352	125,156
Climate Change					
Rebates for energy-efficient appliances or insulation		-717	-739	-761	-784
Rebate for low income households		-717	-739	-761	-784
Rebate 5 star appliances for renters		-717	-739	-761	-784
Extend solar water rebate		-500	-513	-525	-538
Reducing salinity in waste water		-111	-114	-116	-119
Extend Free grey water hose program		-250			
Water efficient washing machines rebates		-500	-513	-525	-538
Water tank rebate		-150	-156	-162	-169
Water audits and management plans		-143	-148	-152	-157
Green power awareness		-35	-37	-38	-40
Smart Meters		0	0	0	0
Eco Buy program		-5	-49	-50	-51
Community gardens		-20	-20	-20	
Free drop off of electronic waste		-600	-619	-639	-656
Vouchers to households to support collection of bulky waste		-500	-513	-525	-538
Materials recycling at Mugga and Mitchell		-1,500	-1,560	-1,622	-1,687
Supermarket composting handbook		-60	0	0	0
Small business advice		-48	-49	-51	-52
Increase uptake of green power		-300	-307	-315	-323
More hybrid cars in Government fleet			-120	-123	-126
LED lighting in Civic		0	0	0	0
Building Council Green Star rating	-75				
Solar Schools			-73	-164	-200
Environment					
Care for nature reserves		-181	-185	-190	-195
Conserving significant private reserves	-84	-86	-88	-90	-92
Native tree and shrub re-generation in Central Molonglo		-50	-50	-50	-50
Lower Colter Catchment plantings		-1,000			
<i>Existing Tree Planting Provision Offset</i>		1,000			
Indoor air quality awareness		-50			
Noise pollution awareness campaign		-50			
RSPCA new location planning		-50			
Program to reduce feral rabbits		-120	-123	-127	-131
Disability					
Speech therapy		-910	-873	-904	-913
Flexible Support fund		-200	-205	-210	-215
Companion Oard		-145	-92	-80	-83
Play Therapists		-489	-464	-470	-477
Carers					
Carers Advocacy Service		-200	-200	-200	-200
Grandparents' support service		-200	-200	-200	-200
Emergency relief for carers to offset rising prices	-2,500				
Heritage					
New Arts Facility - Fitters' Workshop Kingston					-50
Weston Park - historic cottage & English garden upgrade			-5	-5	-5
Pioneer graves and cemeteries resource		-55	-130		
Curriculum unit on Canberra History					
Canberra stories - signs and displays				-100	-100
Guidance to conserving heritage assets		-10	-10	-10	
Revitalise Heritage Festival		-20	-20	-20	-20

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Justice and Law Reform					
Streamlined Court administration		-125			
Reform Self Government Act		-50			
Electronic Filing			-124	-126	
Sentencing Council		-153	-158	-160	-164
Review Freedom of Information Law		-31	-32	-33	-34
Policing and Community Safety					
Suburban policing consultative committees		-300			
Community safety CCTV partnership program		-520	-320	-326	-334
Skills and Training					
Fees assistance for CIT students in areas of skill shortage		-300	-350	-359	-370
HECS debts for students in areas of skill shortage		-300	-350	-359	-370
Young Achievers Australia		-10	-10	-10	-10
Technology upgrades at the CIT		-125	-250	-375	-500
Fair and Safe Workplaces					
Extension of maternity and paternity leave		-1,660	-1,740	-1,790	-1,850
Industrial Relations NGO body		-300	-200		
Community Places					
Town and District Park upgrades			-104	-208	-312
Tuggeranong town park stage		-10	-18	-18	-18
City Centre precinct upgrades			-70	-140	-210
Shopping centre upgrades					
Planning					
Dickson and Kingston Master Plans		-220			
Sustainable Housing Choices		-100	-100	-100	-100
Children and Young People					
Two new childcare centres			-89	-89	-89
Online Childcare Information and Vacancy Portal		-155	-155	-155	-155
Virtual Child and Family Centre		-100	-100	-100	-100
Community Outreach for young rough sleepers		-200	-200	-200	-200
Kids Under Cover		-100			
Youth Advisory Council		-20	-21	-21	-22
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure*	-5,011	-32,920	-35,739	-34,930	-36,234
Election commitments - Revenue					
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue*	0	0	0	0	0
Election commitments - Savings					
Total Proposed Savings*	0	0	0	0	0
Total Recurrent Impact	-5,011	-32,920	-35,739	-34,930	-36,234
Other Election Commitments - Recurrent					
Support for Valley FM89.5		-15	-15	-15	
RSPCA cost pressures	-100				
Emergency relief for charity and welfare groups	-1,000				
West Belconnen community health co-operative	-220				
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City Centre precinct upgrades		-2,000	-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Shopping centre upgrades		-300	-2,800	-2,800	-2,800
<i>Children and Young People</i>					
Two new childcare centres		-4,000			
Media Release Election Commitments - Capital					
Mortgage Relief Fund		-300	-300	-300	-300
		Existing capital provision offset	38,105	46,828	29,535
					8,300
Total Proposed Capital Projects*	-190	0	0	0	0

* Costs are indicative and are to be refined

Friend, Stuart

From: Bulless, Neil
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 11:05 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Smithies, Megan; Friend, Stuart
Subject: FW:
Attachments: 20081014100102977.pdf

Nikki
Update on Lib costings - stuff in pink is being worked on. As discussed, we will offset valid health costs that fall within the envelope.
Neil

-----Original Message-----
From: Stuart Friend [<mailto:stuart.friend@act.gov.au>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2008 11:01 AM
To: Bulless, Neil
Subject:

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
GGS Net Operating Balance (2008 Pre-Election Budget Update)	73,777	48,037	51,527	54,424
Election Policy Document Commitments - Recurrent				
<i>Education</i>				
Reverse School Closures ¹	0	0	0	0
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes	-838	-3,016	-7,632	-13,022
More High School Teachers	-419	-1,307	-2,492	-3,298
Teacher Training for Mature Age Subject Specialists	-200	-373	-780	-800
Graduate Scholarship		-80	-160	-240
Professional Support for Teachers			-125	-577
Education Complaints Commissioner		-583	-534	-551
<i>Education Complaints Commissioner - Absorb</i>		583	534	551
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Duplication of GDE				-1,900
Infrastructure Canberra Commissioner	-400	-1,200	-1,500	-1,600
Infrastructure Canberra Public Works Committee	-80	-150	-155	-160
<i>Health</i>				
Bulk billing GP for the suburbs (West Belconnen and Lanyon)	-300	0	0	0
Three GP Clinics		-6,743	-7,195	-7,449
GPs for Canberra Fund	-4,500			
Young GP Entrepreneurs Fund	-90	-60	-100	
Dental Care for Seniors	-208	-498	-511	-524
Transport for Seniors		-100		
Mental Health - 20 bed young persons unit			-295	-295
Mental Health - 24 hour support - crisis assessment team	-61	-245	-252	-260
Mental Health - Awareness Education Years 11 and 12	-41	-83	-85	-88
Mental Health - Awareness Education police and community workers	-23	-55	-57	-58
Mental Health - Review of workforce		-200	-100	
Mental Health - Bonded study scholarships		-40	-80	-160
Mental Health - Sign up incentives returning staff		-60	-60	-60
Mental Health - Staffing increase		-240	-494	-764
Mental Health - Suicide prevention strategy		-200		
Calvary - IC/HD Unit - 6 beds				
Canberra Hospital - ICU - 5 beds				
Canberra Hospital - Emergency Inpatient - 10 beds				
Additional ICU staff and resources			-1,900	-2,014
Additional emergency inpatient staff and resources			-2,000	-2,120
Additional provision for Elective Surgery	-700	-1,780	-3,300	-5,500
Transitional Care Ward for Women and Babies			-520	-550
Part-time nursing staff combining study and work			-300	-320
Outpatient services to seniors in their homes		-240	-340	-360
HECS forgiveness scholarships for nurses		-120	-240	-360
<i>Growth provision offset</i>				
<i>Community Consultation</i>				
Funding for Auditor-General	-56	-105	-108	-111
Draft Budget Process	-80	-82	-84	-86
<i>Draft Budget Process - Absorb²</i>	80	82	84	86
State of Territory Report	-50	-30	-35	-40
<i>State of Territory Report - Absorb²</i>	50	30	35	40
State of Environment Report	-30	-31	-32	-32
<i>State of Environment Report - Absorb²</i>	30	31	32	32
Reform Freedom of Information Law		-31	-32	-33
<i>Reform Freedom of Information Law - Absorb²</i>		31	32	33
<i>Planning</i>				
Unclogging the ACT Planning System	-403	-714	82	-21
<i>Ageing</i>				
Waiting List for Aged Accommodation		-246	-235	-245
<i>Waiting List for Aged Accommodation - Absorb²</i>		246	235	245
Identify Multi-Unit Properties for Older Residents	-25	0	0	0
<i>Identify Multi-Unit Properties for Older Residents - Absorb²</i>	25			
<i>Tourism</i>				
Tourism Funding	-1,000	-2,000	-3,000	-3,000
Establish "Canberra Tourism"		-460	-475	-491
<i>Establish "Canberra Tourism" - Absorb</i>		460	475	491
Commonwealth Park upgrade	0	-1,000	-4,000	-5,000
<i>Environment</i>				

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Green Bins			-8,266	-9,028
Home Insulation - Private	-120	-1,200	-1,490	-1,540
Home Insulation - Public	0	0	0	0
<i>Multiculturalism</i>				
Multicultural Festival	-50	-75	-100	-103
Ethnic Schools Association	-20	-60	-62	-64
Community Languages Grant		-50	-50	-50
Increased Space Multicultural Centre		-125	-126	-131
Ministerial Advisory Council - Multicultural Affairs		-25	-26	-27
<i>Community Services</i>				
Funding of Autism Asperger	-50	-150	-400	-412
<i>Youth</i>				
Expand the Night Rider bus service	-326	-333	-342	-351
Scholarship for disadvantaged students	-15	-40	-41	-42
After hours youth counselling	-20	-110	-113	-117
Support for teen parents - trial		-100	-200	
Inter-varsity grants scheme		-200	-200	-200
Guideline material for event organisers	-50	-50		
PCYC - Construction of facility - Gungahlin			-58	-58
PCYC - Equipment and fitout - Gungahlin			-30	-30
PCYC - Equipment and fitout - Others	-300	-400		
PCYC - Staffing and operations - Gungahlin			-250	-300
PCYC - Staffing and operations - Others	-100	-300	-350	-300
PCYC - Additional staff - Gungahlin			-200	-203
<i>Transport</i>				
Bike path signposting		-11	-26	-26
Bike path maintenance	-1,200	-500		
Bike path capital upgrades - stage 1			-4	-4
Missing links in the bike path network				-20
Bike lockers for park and ride		-12	-12	-12
Park and Ride - Tuggeranong, Weston Creek, North Canberra			-36	-68
Parkes Way Widening				
Tharwa Drive Duplication				
Tharwa Bridge			-212	-212
Erindale Drive Duplication				-120
New Bus Services	-400	-750	-750	-1,000
Traffic calming measures			-80	-160
Interchange CCTV	-20	-146	-148	-150
Taxi Review	-75	-75		
Taxi Consultation Forum	-12	-30	-31	-32
<i>Sport & Recreation</i>				
Assist families take up sport		-500	-500	-500
New Statutory Authority - ACTive Canberra		-460	-475	-491
New Statutory Authority - ACTive Canberra - Absorb		460	475	491
Master Plan for Bruce-Lyneham-EPIC	-500			
Feasibility Study - Sports House	-200			
ACTAS funding		-200	-300	-400
Community Grants funding - Increase in community grant funding	-100	-300	-385	-570
Community Grants funding - training grants	-80	-160	-165	-170
Community Grants funding - Field Officer grants	-120	-240	-250	-260
Traineeship grants	-12	-25	-25	-25
New and upgraded facilities			-167	-388
Drought-proofing ovals and playing grounds		-117	-213	-240
<i>Greater Gungahlin</i>				
Review of Gov leases/relocation	-70			
Children's play area			-32	-32
<i>Arts</i>				
2010 Canberra Art Biennale		-500	-500	
Canberra Symphony Orchestra	-50	-100	-100	-100
Canberra Pops	-15	-30	-30	-30
ArtsACT	-25	-50	-50	-50
Fringe Festival prize	-30	-30	-30	-30
Canberra International Film Festival		-20	-20	-20
Canberra Short Film Festival Prize		-8	-8	-8
Public art - selection process		-38	-39	-39
<i>Indigenous</i>				
Indigenous curriculum - Ngunnawal heritage	-60	-30		
Indigenous traineeships	-20	-165	-170	-175

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CIT Trade Skills centre - indigenous coordinator		-80	-83	-86
Indigenous Women's Shelter - feasibility study	-100			
Assessment of Indigenous organisations	-80			
Urban Services				
Inner South Library - Fitout and extension community space ²		-50	-50	-50
Inner South Library - Collections ²			-80	-82
Inner South Library - operating costs ²	-200	-525	-640	-557
City Shopfront - fitout and equipment ²		-46	-46	-45
City Shopfront - operating costs ²		-600	-618	-636
Urban Rangers		-300	-309	-318
Shopping Centre Renewal		-17	-117	-217
Look of the City Maintenance		-1,000	-1,000	-1,061
Climate Change				
Renewable Energy Park infrastructure				
Climate Change Canberra Taskforce		-200	-500	-600
Industrial Relations				
Extension of Maternity and Paternity leave		-1,660	-1,740	-1,790
Disability				
ISP increased funding		-1,800	-2,086	-2,122
Review of accommodation options		-160		
Hospital to home fund	-500			
Total Election Commitments*	-13,739	-32,372	-59,409	-74,061

Election Policy Document Commitments - Revenue

Housing Affordability

No Stamp Duty for First Home Buyers	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724
Total Proposed Loss in Revenue*	-21,275	-31,876	-33,771	-35,724

Savings Proposed - Recurrent

Total Proposed Savings*	0	0	0	0
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Other Election Commitments - Recurrent

10 extra police		-1,200	-1,216	-1,231
Neighbourhood Watch		-50	-50	-50
Safety Houses, RedLink, Community Groups		-250	-250	-250
Other Community-based crime prevention and recovery				
Support for single aged pensioners	-4,500			
One-off funding Non Government Schools	-2,000			
Non Government Schools Recurrent Funding Indexed @ 5.5%		-1,300	-2,800	-4,300
Additional support - Non Govt School Students with disabilities	-250			
Interest Subsidy Scheme				
Light Rail Engineering Study		-2,000	-2,000	
Light Rail - Urban and Commercial planning				-1,000
Transport User census		-3,000		
Total Election Commitments	-41,764	-70,548	-97,980	-115,085

Unverified Savings Proposed - Recurrent⁴

Reverse School Closures ⁴	0	0	0	0
Additional Teachers to Support Smaller Class Sizes ⁴	838	3,016	7,632	13,022
No Stamp Duty for First Home Buyers ⁴	21,275	31,876	33,771	35,724

Notes

1. Treasury has been unable to cost this commitment. The policy commitment is to fund both recurrent and capital costs from a \$10 million School Reinstatement Fund. The Fund will come from savings in the 2009-10 Budget, including the capital works budget. Treasury requires information to undertake the costing such as the schools proposed to be reopened, the timeframe when this is to occur and the operating model chosen. Further, Treasury has not been able to confirm the achievability of establishing the \$10 million fund due to limited information on the source of savings.

2. The Liberal Party has advised Treasury that these costs are to be absorbed.

3. Treasury is yet to assess the costing

4. The Liberal Party has indicated as part of its policy announcements that these commitments would be offset by savings, however specific areas or methodologies has not been identified. As such, their achievability has not yet been assessed by Treasury.

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Election Policy Document Commitments - Capital				
<i>Infrastructure</i>				
Duplication of GDE	-13,500	-55,500	-26,000	
<i>Infrastructure Capital Works provision offset</i>		55,500	26,000	
<i>Environment</i>				
Green Bins			-7,800	
Home Insulation - Public Housing		476	-36	-440
<i>Health</i>				
GP Clinics	-5,900			
Young GP Entrepreneurs Fund	-2,250	-1,500		
Mental Health - 20 Bed Young person's unit		-1,500	-6,315	-4,000
Calvary - IC/HD Unit - 6 beds		-3,800		
Canberra Hospital - ICU - 5 beds	-500	-5,380		
Canberra Hospital - Emergency Inpatient - 10 beds	-300	-700		
Calvary - Elective Super Surgery	-200	-4,500	-4,000	
<i>Offset Project Definition Budget</i>	200	4,500	4,000	
Transitional Care Ward for Women and Babies	-200	-2,000		
<i>Multiculturalism</i>				
Increased Space Multicultural Centre - fitout		-156		
<i>Youth</i>				
PGYC - Construction of facility - Gungahlin	-300	-2,600		
PCYC - Equipment and fitout - Gungahlin			-300	
<i>Transport</i>				
Bike path signposting	-400	-500		
Bike path maintenance				
Bike path capital upgrades - stage 1		-400		
Missing links in the bike path network			-2,000	-2,000
Bike lockers for Park and Ride	-120			
Park and Ride - Tuggeranong, Weston Creek, North Canberra		-900	-800	-300
Parkes Way widening			-15,000	-5,000
Tharwa Drive duplication				-3,000
Tharwa Bridge	-1,200	-3,500		
<i>Out year funding offset</i>			3,000	1,700
Erindale Drive duplication		-1,000	-2,000	
Traffic calming measures		-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Additional Dragway funding	-2,000			
Interchange CCTV	-350			
<i>Sport & Recreation</i>				
Drought-proofing ovals and playing grounds	-2,200	-1,800	-500	-500
<i>Climate Change Capital Works provision offset</i>		1,800	500	500
New and upgraded facilities		-6,000	-8,000	-10,000
<i>Greater Gungahlin</i>				
Gungahlin Pool	-500	-8,000	-13,500	
Children's play area		-600		
<i>Arts</i>				
Public art	-150	-285	-294	-302
Public art - selection process	-130			
<i>Education</i>				
Smaller School Classes		-935	-963	-992
<i>Urban Services</i>				
Inner South Library - Fitout and extension community space	-1,000			
Inner South Library - Collections		-400	-8	-8
City Shopfront - fitout and equipment	-920			
Shopping Centre Renewal	-500	-3,000	-3,000	-3,000
<i>Climate Change</i>				
Green Loan Fund		-4,000		
Renewable Energy Park infrastructure		-400	-9,000	-4,000
Savings Proposed				
<i>Education</i>				
Smaller School Classes ^b		935	963	992
Reverse School Closures ¹				
<i>Arts</i>				
Percent for Art Scheme		2,693	1,769	1,258

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<i>Transport</i>				
Pay Parking at Mawson Shops	0	0	0	0
Other Election Commitments - Capital				
Interest Subsidy Scheme				
<i>Existing capital provision offset</i>	-	45,452	65,284	31,092
Total Proposed Capital Projects*	-32,420	0	0	0

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Bulless, Neil

From: Pulford, Nikki
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 9:09 AM
To: Friend, Stuart; Bulless, Neil
Subject: FW:
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as discussed.

Nikki

-----Original Message-----
From: nikki [mailto:nikki.pulford@act.gov.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 11:52 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Subject:

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Thompson, Kirsten

From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 5:15 PM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Smithies, Megan
Subject: Liberal Savings - for Nikki.xls
Attachments: Liberal Savings - for Nikki.xls

Thompson, Kirsten

From: Lasek, Jeremy
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 9:21 PM
To: Smithies, Megan
Subject: RE: Job cuts

Thanks again Megs

Jeremy Lasek
A/g Chief of Staff
Office of the ACT Chief Minister

Ph: 6205 0511

-----Original Message-----

From: Smithies, Megan
Date: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 8:41 PM
To: STANHOPE
Cc: Lasek, Jeremy
Subject: Job cuts

Dear Chief Minister

I understand the press is reporting today that the Leader of the Opposition has stated that in some way that I, as part of the costings exercise, provided advice to him that there will be no job cuts from the Liberal Party savings measures.

You have asked if I provided any such advice.

I can confirm that I had no discussion with the Leader of the Opposition or his Office on the issue of job cuts.

Yours sincerely

Megan Smithies

Pulford, Nikki

From: Smithies, Megan
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 8:24 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki; Layland, Penelope;
/O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=CMD/CN=BRIAN_WEIR
Cc: Bulless, Neil; Friend, Stuart
Subject: Labor summary of election costing to be published around 10am today
Attachments: 20081014191738852.pdf

Hi Brian/Penelope - while there are some minor changes that need to be made to this document, this is what I was proposing to publish on the Treasury web site this morning for the Labor commitments.

Regards

Megan Smithies

-----Original Message-----

From: Friend, Stuart
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 8:21 PM
To: Smithies, Megan
Cc: Bulless, Neil
Subject: FW:

Megan,

As requested attached is the Labor tally sheet. This is pretty much ok, I am aware of a couple of small changes that may be made to this tomorrow morning.

regards

STUART FRIEND | A/g DIRECTOR | BUDGET MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS BRANCH FINANCE AND BUDGET
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

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From: Stuart Friend [<mailto:stuart.friend@act.gov.au>]
Sent: Tuesday, 14 October 2008 8:18 PM
To: Friend, Stuart
Subject:

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Election commitments - Recurrent				
<i>Ageing</i>				
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors			-36	-36
Golden Stories		-20	-20	-20
Council of Ageing - Senior Card Directory		-60		
<i>Multicultural</i>				
Migrant Resource Centre		-50	-50	-50
ACT Community Languages Grant Program		-25	-25	-25
Improve Migrant Transitional Housing		-100	-100	-100
Multicultural Youth Services Program		-25	-25	-25
<i>Tourism</i>				
Major Autumn Event		-1,204	-1,234	-1,265
<i>Indigenous</i>				
Indigenous Public Service Traineeships Program		-29	-30	-31
Indigenous Leadership Grants Program		-78	-80	-82
Grandparenting - Primary Care		-39	-40	-41
Independent Facilitator for Elected Indigenous Body		-50	-51	-53
Ngunnawal Genealogy Project		-75	-75	
Indigenous Teachers & Teacher's Assistants attraction scheme		-160	-168	-177
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Community Fire Units		-48	-118	-142
<i>Education</i>				
Gifted and Talented Students - Support Parents		-62	-31	-32
Gifted and Talented Students - Provision for GATS		-85	-86	-87
Gifted and Talented Students - Identifying Students		-116	-119	-122
Grants for School Parent Groups	-2,087			
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes		-3,087	-6,379	-6,836
Increased Administrative Support		-397	-413	-423
Volunteering in ACT Schools		-107	-111	-114
Landscaping in Schools			-122	-176
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre				-300
Harrison High School				-563
Additional IT - Public Schools		-94	-344	
Additional IT - Non Government Schools		-1,500	-1,000	
InSPIRE Centre			-472	-917
Cluster Literacy and Numeracy Experts		-1,986	-2,035	-2,085
English as a Second Language		-428	-883	-905
National Capital Literacy and Learning Centre		-117	-120	-123
Support for ACT Ethnic Schools		-20	-21	-21
Increased Links to Foreign Embassies		-30	-31	-32
College and High School Innovation Fund		-550	-250	
ASBAs in Schools		-350	-359	-368
Equity Funds for Disability, Literacy and Numeracy		-1,000	-1,025	-1,051
<i>Integrated Transport Plan</i>				
Introduce Tourist Route between Major Attractions		-212	-220	-230
Increase Frequency of Bus Services		-1,756	-1,828	-1,900
Parliamentary Triangle Lunchtime Bus Service		-354	-367	-382
Additional Bus Shelters and Seats at Bus Stops			-9	-9
<i>Sport and Recreation</i>				
Smart Start Program		-200	-200	-200
Children's Activity Foundation		-300	0	0
Motorsport Funding - Strategy		-200		
Motorsport Funding - Fairbairn Park upgrade		-1,750	-1,750	
Motorsport Funding - Investment Fund		-950	-950	-950
Motorsport Funding - Offroad Riding Area		-500		
Assist Elite Local Sporting Teams in National League Competitions		-165	-165	-165
Additional Support for the Brumbies	-265			
Design Work for Swimming Pool in Molonglo				
Assistance for ASBA's in the sport and recreation industry		-53	-55	-57
Improvements to Griffith Oval			-66	-66
Re-develop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields			-30	-30
Upgrade and Expand the Woden Gymnastics Club		-100	-24	-24
Develop a New Basketball Stadium and Player Amenities				
Re-develop ACT Tennis Centre			-180	-180
<i>Health</i>				

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	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Supporting our GP Workforce		-1,500	-2,517	-3,568
New Gungahlin Community Health Centre			-3,500	-5,000
Three New "Walk-in Health Centres"		0	-2,000	-2,080
Chronic Disease Management - Feasibility Adult and Young Persons		-300		
Meeting Increased Demand for Services (Cancer)		-1,000	-2,034	-3,102
Digital Mammography		-1,278	-1,796	-1,858
Provision of a Public Mammography Service		-423	-440	-457
Telephone and Web-Based Coaching		-250	-420	-1,030
Case Management and Care Coordination Chronic Health		-300	-814	-1,372
Patient Care Register Chronic Health		-200	-400	-100
Home Tele Monitoring		-250	-400	-600
Aboriginal Health awareness		-1,450	-1,828	-1,906
Healthy Children		-1,350	-1,383	-1,417
Healthy Children - Obesity Awareness		-650	-667	-683
Care for Smallest Babies		-121	-2,123	-5,555
Doctors and Nurses Women's and Children's Hospital				
Increased Access to Surgery including Neurosurgery		-3,238	-6,362	-9,591
Care for Elder Citizens		-3,316	-6,874	-10,694
E-health and Smart Technology				
Expand Role of Allied Health Professionals, Doctors, Nurses, etc		-500	-1,517	-2,568
More Hospital Beds and Hospital in the Home		-6,500	-13,941	-20,895
Mental Health - Increased Capacity Community Based Services		-2,000	-3,068	-4,170
Mental Health - Assessment Unit		-2,522	-2,624	-2,740
Mental Health - Staffing 40 bed Inpatient Facility			-1,500	-4,402
Mental Health - Staffing Secure Facility				-8,564
<i>Growth provision offset</i>		27,148	56,208	92,352
<i>Climate Change</i>				
Rebates for Energy-Efficient Appliances or Insulation		-717	-739	-761
Rebate for Low Income Households		-717	-739	-761
Rebate 5 star Appliances for Renters		-717	-739	-761
Extend Solar Water Rebate		-500	-513	-525
Reducing Salinity in Waste Water		-111	-114	-116
Extend Free Grey Water Hose Program		-250		
Water Efficient Washing Machines Rebates		-500	-513	-525
Water Tank Rebate		-150	-156	-162
Water Audits and Management Plans		-143	-148	-152
Green Power Awareness		-35	-37	-38
Smart Meters		0	0	0
Eco Buy Program		-5	-49	-50
Community Gardens		-20	-20	-20
Free Drop off of Electronic Waste		-600	-619	-639
Vouchers to Households to Support Collection of Bulky Waste		-500	-513	-525
Materials recycling at Mugga and Mitchell		-1,500	-1,560	-1,622
Supermarket Composting Handbook		-60	0	0
Small Business Advice		-48	-49	-51
Increase Uptake of Green Power		-300	-307	-315
More Hybrid Cars in Government Fleet			-120	-123
LED Lighting in Civic		0	0	0
Building Council Green Star Rating	-75			
Solar Schools			-73	-164
<i>Environment</i>				
Care for Nature Reserves		-181	-185	-190
Conserving Significant Private Reserves	-84	-86	-88	-90
Native Tree and Shrub Re-generation in Central Molonglo		-50	-50	-50
Lower Collier Catchment Plantings			-200	-200
<i>Existing Tree Planting Provision Offset</i>			200	200
Indoor Air Quality Awareness		-50		
Noise Pollution Awareness Campaign		-50		
RSPCA New Location Planning		-50		
Program to Reduce Feral Rabbits		-120	-123	-127
<i>Disability</i>				
Speech Therapy		-910	-873	-904
Flexible Support fund		-200	-205	-210
Companion Card		-145	-92	-80
Play Therapists		-489	-464	-470
<i>Carers</i>				

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Treasury Costing of Labor Commitments Summary

Based on information available at 4pm, 14 October 2008

Please refer to introductory statement for the costing methodology.

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Carers Advocacy Service		-200	-200	-200
Grandparents' Support Service		-200	-200	-200
Emergency Relief for Carers to Offset Rising Prices	-2,500			
<i>Heritage</i>				
Weston Park - Historic Cottage & English Garden Upgrade			-5	-5
Pioneer Graves and Cemeteries Resource		-125	-30	-30
Interpretive Signage at Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve		-100		
Canberra Stories - Signs and Displays				-100
Guidance to Conserving Heritage Assets		-10	-10	-10
Revitalise Heritage Festival		-20	-20	-20
<i>Justice and Law Reform</i>				
Streamlined Court Administration		-125		
Reform Self Government Act		-50		
Electronic Filing		-124	-126	
Sentencing Council		-153	-156	-160
Develop Privacy Act		-558	-566	-574
Review Freedom of Information Law		-31	-32	-33
<i>Policing and Community Safety</i>				
Suburban Policing Consultative Committees		-300		
Community Safety CCTV Partnership Program		-520	-320	-326
<i>Skills and Training</i>				
Fees Assistance for CIT Students in areas of Skill Shortage.		-300	-350	-359
HECS Debts for Students in areas of Skill Shortage		-300	-350	-359
Young Achievers Australia		-10	-10	-10
Technology Upgrades at the CIT		-125	-250	-375
<i>Fair and Safe Workplaces</i>				
Extension of Maternity and Paternity Leave		-1,680	-1,740	-1,790
Industrial Relations NGO body		-300	-200	
<i>Community Places</i>				
Town and District Park Upgrades			-111	-222
Tuggeranong Town Park Stage		-10	-18	-18
"Fix My Street"			-10	-10
City Centre Precinct Upgrades			-140	-280
Shopping Centre Upgrades			-78	-148
<i>Planning</i>				
Dickson and Kingston Master Plans		-220		
Sustainable Housing Choices		-100	-100	-100
<i>Children and Young People</i>				
Two New Childcare Centres			-40	-80
Online Childcare Information and Vacancy Portal		-224	-130	-132
Virtual Child and Family Centre		-73	-106	-109
Community Outreach for young rough sleepers		-230	-185	-190
Kids Under Cover		-100		
Youth Advisory Council		-20	-21	-21
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure*	-5,011	-33,844	-36,289	-35,687
Election commitments - Revenue				
Total Proposed Loss In Revenue*	0	0	0	0
Election commitments - Savings				
Total Proposed Savings*	0	0	0	0
Total Recurrent Impact	-5,011	-33,844	-36,289	-35,687
Other Election Commitments - Recurrent				
Support for Valley FM89.5		-15	-15	-15
RSPCA Cost Pressures	-100			
Emergency Relief for Charity and Welfare Groups	-1,000			
West Belconnen Community Health Co-operative	-220			
Neighbourhood Watch		-20	-21	-21
Mortgage Relief Fund		-50	-52	-54
Total Proposed Additional Expenditure - Media Releases*	-1,320	-85	-88	-90
Total Election Commitments and Media Commitments	-6,331	-33,929	-36,377	-35,777

* Costs are indicative and are to be refined

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Based on information available at 4pm, 14 October 2008

Please refer to introductory statement for the costing methodology.

	2008-09 \$'000s	2009-10 \$'000s	2010-11 \$'000s	2011-12 \$'000s
Election Policy Document Commitments - Capital				
<i>Ageing</i>				
Home for Tuggeranong Seniors	-190	-1,400		
<i>Emergency Services</i>				
Community Fire Units		-143	-146	
<i>Education</i>				
Landscaping			-1,500	-3,500
Harrison High School		-15,600	-15,600	
Canberra College Performing Arts Theatre		-500	-1,500	-3,000
Additional IT - Public Schools		-1,500	-2,500	-1,000
InSPIRE Centre			-100	-104
More Teachers Lower Class Sizes			-6,000	
<i>Integrated Transport Plan</i>				
Additional Bus Shelters and Seats at Bus Stops		-140		
<i>Sport and Recreation</i>				
Gungahlin Pool Complex		-1,000	-9,000	-10,000
Redevelop the Belconnen Magpies' Kippax Fields		-2,000		
Redevelop ACT Tennis Centre		-4,500	0	
Improvements to Griffith Oval		-1,000		
Develop a New Basketball Stadium and Player Amenities			-500	-2,500
Upgrade and Expand the Woden Gymnastics Club		-550		
<i>Health</i>				
Free Mammography Service		-285		
New and Refurbished Community Health facilities				
Integrated Cancer Centre of Excellence				
Additional Beds				
New Operating Theatres and Endoscopy Suites				
New Emergency Departments				
New Skills Development Centre				
E-health Technology				
<i>Climate Change</i>				
Solar Schools		-729	-911	-360
<i>Environment</i>				
Care for Nature Reserves		-408	-271	-271
<i>Heritage</i>				
New Arts Facility - Fitters' Workshop Kingston			-500	-500
Weston Park - Historic Cottage & English Garden Upgrade		-200		
<i>Skills and Training</i>				
Technology upgrades at the CIT		-1,250	-1,250	-1,250
<i>Community Places</i>				
Town and District Park Upgrades		-2,050	-1,950	-1,950
Tuggeranong Town Park Stage		-200		
City Centre Precinct Upgrades		-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Shopping Centre Upgrades		-3,100	-2,800	-2,800
<i>Children and Young People</i>				
Two New Childcare Centres		-1,200	-2,800	
Media Release Election Commitments - Capital				
Mortgage Relief Fund		-300	-300	-300
		<i>Existing capital provision offset</i>	40,055	49,628
				29,535
Total Proposed Capital Projects*	-190	0	0	0

* Costs are indicative and are to be refined

Pulford, Nikki

From: Smithies, Megan
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 9:12 AM
To: Layland, Penelope; Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Bulless, Neil
Subject: Liberal Health policies

Importance: High

Hi

I have confirmed with the Office of the Leader of the Opposition that they do NOT intend to do the same health election POLICIES as the announced Labor policies PLUS more.

They support the 2008 Budget, and will fund their own policies from the unallocated growth funds, in the same way as Labor is suggesting with regards to its own policies.

Regards

Megan

Pulford, Nikki

From: Jones, ChrisD (DT)
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 10:05 AM
To: /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=BILL_BIRD; Ahmed, Khalid; Bain, Glenn; Broughton, Roger; Bulless, Neil; Friend, Stuart; Guthrie, Marsha; Kilkelly, Emma; Lim, Phang-Chun; McIntyre, Alicia; /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JASONP_MCNAMARA; /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=CMD/CN=DANNY_O'DEA; Pulford, Nikki; Reilly, Rob; Ryan, Shaun; Smithies, Megan; /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=ERICSWAN; Thompson, Kirsten; Jiang, Emei; /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATTHEWSMITH; /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MICHAEL_GRIFFITHS; Micalos, Peter
Subject: Labor Commitments - Several

Party: Labor
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Reduce Change of Use Charge
Announced costing: Uncosted

Pete is the contact officer and Michael is the senior manager.

Party: Labor
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Building Housing Partnership Program
Announced costing: \$1 million

Emei is the contact officer and Phang is the senior manager

Party: Labor
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Homeshare Program
Announced costing: \$50,000 p.a

Matt is the contact officer and Shaun is the senior manager

Party: Labor
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Transitional Housing Program
Announced costing: \$720,000 over 4 years

Emei is the contact officer and Phang is the senior manager

Party: Labor
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Advertising campaign to stamp out rental bidding
Announced costing: \$50,000 p.a

Matt is the contact officer and Shaun is the senior manager

Canberra Times 15 Oct page 5
 Link to the article is:

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/alp-call-to-turn-empty-offices-into-cheap-homes/1333597.aspx>

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Subject: Liberal Commitments-- Several

Party: Liberal
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Abolish Café Tax
Announced costing: Uncosted

Pete is the contact officer and Michael is the senior manager.

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/nuisance-cafe-tax-to-be-dumped/1333596.aspx>

Party: Liberal
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Civic Masterplan
Announced costing: \$750,000

Pete is the contact officer and Michael is the senior manager.

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/nuisance-cafe-tax-to-be-dumped/1333596.aspx>

Party: Liberal
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Research Development Grants
Announced costing: \$2 million

Pete is the contact officer and Michael is the senior manager.

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/nuisance-cafe-tax-to-be-dumped/1333596.aspx>

Party: Liberal
Date: 15 October 2008
Source: Canberra Times
Issue: Increased Spending on Health
Announced costing: \$84.9 million (additional to Labor's health plans)

Parul is the contact officer and Shaun is the senior manager.

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/news/local/news/general/liberals-adopt-labors-health-policy/1333634.aspx>

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From: Smithies, Megan
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 11:43 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki; Layland, Penelope;
/O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=CMD/CN=BRIAN_WEIR
Subject: Bottom line totals
Attachments: 20081015113328630.pdf

As requested, pls find the updates to the operating balance.

Pulford, Nikki

From: Bird, Bill
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 2:04 PM
To: /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MICHAEL_GRIFFITHS; Micalos, Peter; Ahmed, Khalid; Bain, Glenn; Broughton, Roger; Bulless, Neil; Friend, Stuart; Guthrie, Marsha; Jones, ChrisD (DT); Kilkelly, Emma; Lim, Phang-Chun; McIntyre, Alicia; /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JASONP_MCNAMARA; /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=CMD/CN=DANNY_O'DEA; Pulford, Nikki; Reilly, Rob; Ryan, Shaun; Smithies, Megan; /O=ACTGOV/OU=CALLAM/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=ERICSWAN; Thompson, Kirsten
Subject: Liberals Media Release - Business Development

Party: Liberal

Date: 15 October 2008

Source: Liberals Media Release

Issue: Business Development

Announced costing: \$itemised

http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/html/s02_article/article_view.asp?id=431&nav_top_id=-1&nav_cat_id=-1

Contact officers and managers were noted this morning. The media release provides some detail to reinforce the CT and ABC news this morning.

Kindly

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Thompson, Kirsten

From: Smithies, Megan
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 2:12 PM
To: Stanhope, Jon
Cc: Scrivener, Sharon
Subject: RE:

Dear Chief Minister

You have ask why I have not taken account of the report in today's Canberra Times that the Leader of the Opposition will match precisely the Labor Party's proposed expenditure of the growth funds in health.

In relation to my process, the costings summary which I provided you is based on the Liberal Party policy statements published on their website and their own press releases. I have sought clarification from them on a number issues, where I needed to in relation to my interpretation of these documents. While Treasury has monitored the actual media, in particular the Canberra Times, we do not take this as a definitive source of information as we have found it often difficult to reconcile this to either party's actual policy statements.

On the particular issue of health, the Liberal Policy Statement says that "The 2008 ACT Budget included significant new funding for health. As an alternative Government, the Canberra Liberals have acted responsibly and made it clear that we will continue with this rollout of new spending - in full".

I sought clarification from the Leader of the Opposition's Office on a number of occasions over the past two days (including yesterday morning, yesterday evening and again this morning) on this issue and the issue of the use of the growth funding.

From these conversations it is my opinion that they believed they had committed to maintaining the **expenditure levels** in the current budget, and that it is their intention to maintain their **new** expenditure commitments within the existing forward provisions in the Budget. It is also my understanding, from these conversations, that they **were not** committing to undertake the new policies announced by the Labor party as part of the election, but to instead substitute their own priorities within the health funding forward provision. These initiatives have been identified in the Treasury Summary and the presentation of these items was discussed and cleared with the Leader of the Opposition's Office.

I have obviously placed these conversations with the Leader of the Opposition's Office as a more authoritative source than the media reports.

I refer to your second question on the \$10 million commitment to upgrade Commonwealth Park. My understand of Liberal Policy Statement on the issue is that they have made the action contingent on the granting of a 100 year lease of the Park to the Territory. Should this occur, it is conceivable that the transaction may be structured in such a way as to account for the transaction as an investment and depreciated.

Yours sincerely

Megan Smithies

From: Stanhope, Jon
Sent: Wednesday, 15 October 2008 1:14 PM
To: Smithies, Megan
Subject:

Dear Megan

Thank you for the summary of election commitments, I haven't yet had the opportunity to digest the detail and time permitting may arrange a meeting with you to discuss developments.

I have however, noticed a couple of items on which I would appreciate your urgent advice. These are your decisions to not include the public commitment made by the Leader of the Opposition as reported in today's Canberra Times, to

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match precisely the Labor Party's proposed expenditure of the growth funding in health. Your listing of Liberal election commitments on page 13 seems to me to not reflect that commitment and I cannot understand why not. Secondly, your decision to include the proposed 10 million dollar commitment to the upgrading of Commonwealth Park, a Commonwealth asset, as capital and not as a grant.

I would be grateful if you could respond to these two matters as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Jon Stanhope

Pulford, Nikki

From: Bird, Bill
Sent: Thursday, 16 October 2008 8:53 AM
To: Micalos, Peter;
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Subject: Liberal election commitment: Policy Documents

Party: Liberal

Date: 16 October 2008

Source: Liberal Policy

File: Various

Announced costing: \$itemised

Light Rail

<http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/files/F5FLPJN0NH/Light%20Rail.pdf>

Peter is the contact officer and Michael is the manager.

Pensioner Relief Package

<http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/files/ZWQX1IT8SH/Pensioner%20Rescue%20Package.pdf>

Bill is the contact officer and Phang is the senior manager.

Government Schools

<http://www.canberraliberals.org.au/files/U1ETORM7PF/Unlocking%20the%20Gates.pdf>

Emma is the contact officer and Phang is the senior manager.

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Pulford, Nikki

From: Lasek, Jeremy
Sent: Thursday, 16 October 2008 10:19 AM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Subject: Cause you are so helpful...
Attachments: Libs sack public servants.doc

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16 October 2008

SESELJA MUST SET RECORD STRAIGHT ON JOB CUTS

Chief Minister Jon Stanhope has called on the ACT Liberal Leader Mr Zed Seselja to clarify how he can slash spending in a future ACT Budget without cutting around 200 jobs in the public service.

Today, two days out from an election, the Liberal leader has dragged a senior public servant into the fray, claiming the Under Treasurer Ms Megan Smithies, had told him job losses would not result from their massive spending cuts," Chief Minister Jon Stanhope said.

"This is a low act. The Liberals have politicised a senior and highly-experienced public servant in what can only be described as a desperate bid for votes.

"The Under Treasurer has now confirmed in writing that the claims made repeatedly in the media by Mr Seselja for the past 24 hours are not true."

Late yesterday and again on Canberra's morning radio today, Mr Seselja said:

"No one will be sacked as a result of this and Treasury confirmed that." – Zed Seselja (ABC 666 Interview 5.15pm – Wednesday 15 October)

Further...

"I have a plan, fully costed by Treasury, which says that we'll keep the budget in surplus and not one job will be lost." – Zed Seselja (2CC Interview, 7.15am – Thursday 16 October)

And...

"Treasury has said we can afford all of our promises, we will keep the Budget in a strong surplus and there will be no job losses as a result." – Zed Seselja (2CC/2CA News 8.00am – Thursday 16 October)

As a result of these statements, the Under Treasurer, Ms Smithies, has written to me stating the following:

"I understand the press is reporting today that the Leader of the Opposition has stated that in some way I, as part of the costings exercise, provided advice to him that there will be no job cuts from the Liberal Party savings measures. You have asked if I provided any such advice. I can confirm that I had no discussion with the Leader of the Opposition or his Office on the issue of job cuts."

"We now have clear evidence of the level of deception that the Liberals will go to in their desperate win-at-all-costs bid to secure votes," Mr Stanhope said.

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"In light of the clear denial by the Under Treasurer, that the Treasury had, as claimed by Mr Seselja, provided advice to the Liberal Party on job cuts, Mr Seselja must come clean and tell the truth.

"He must publicly apologise to Treasury officials immediately - and be honest and up-front with Canberra voters – that the Liberals have no choice but to sack a large number of public servants this financial year, and beyond, to keep the Territory's budget in the black."

The public service union has claimed as many as 250 jobs might be lost as a result of the Liberals slash and burn approach to future budgeting.

Statement Ends

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Pulford, Nikki

From: Hummel, Gabrielle
Sent: Thursday, 16 October 2008 10:21 AM
To: Bulless, Neil; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: final version Business Policy
Attachments: Business Policy.pdf

Hi Neil

As discussed with Nikki, there have been no major changes to this policy, but here's a copy of the final version (yet to be publicly released) for your information.

Warm regards

Gaby

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ACT Labor is building a better city and a stronger community that is supported by a strong and diverse economy.

We know that a strong economy is needed so we can maintain our standard of living, our high levels of employment, our business confidence, our government services and the social cohesion of our community.

A strong economy also gives us the capacity to invest in services and facilities for the community.

At this time of global economic turmoil strong and proven economic management at the local level is even more important to cushion our community from the worst effects of this broader problem. Only ACT Labor has the record and experience to deliver this for our community.

ACT Labor will continue to ensure that we foster a strong, dynamic and resilient Territory economy that meets the needs of the Canberra community now and into the future. We are also committed to maintaining economic growth and promoting the ACT as the heart of our economic region.

Recently, the ACT Labor Government set out its broad direction for economic and business development in our *Capital Development: Towards our Second Century* strategy document. This policy now sets out the specific measures ACT Labor will pursue to grow the economy, to assist business and to grow employment in the Territory.

The strengths of the ACT economy are its skilled and motivated workforce, and its flexible and enterprising business sector. If re-elected, an ACT Labor Government will continue to enable and support sustainable economic activity—to create an environment that attracts and retains skilled workers and investment, and allows both employees and business owners to drive economic growth and development.

ACT Labor will continue to build a strong economy, maintain budget surpluses and provide Canberra businesses with assistance to make the most of our present opportunities, and meet the challenges of the future.

Jon Stanhope
Chief Minister, Treasurer and
Minister for Business and Economic Development

Katy Gallagher
Deputy Chief Minister

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ACT Labor has worked hard to encourage and support business and economic development in the Territory.

ACT Labor has taken the hard decisions needed to ensure it has the economic fundamentals right – a strong economy, continuing budget surpluses and responsible Government spending.

Within this context of a strong and growing economy, ACT Labor has launched carefully targeted business and industry programs aimed at encouraging local business, particularly small and medium enterprises, to grow and develop.

Our Record

Since coming to office, ACT Labor has:

- Worked to ensure the ACT economy has been one of the strongest performing in the country; in 2006-07 the 5% real increase in Gross State Product per capita was almost double the national rate of 3.2%;
- Delivered consecutive surpluses in each year of government;
- Maintained a budget cash position that is the envy of other states and territories;
- Made unprecedented investments in the Territory's infrastructure, with annual capital works expenditure increasing from around \$100 million in 2001 to a record \$314 million in 2007-08;
- Delivered more land for residential, commercial and industrial development. The 2008-09 Budget supports the release of around 3,300 dwelling sites a year, around an average of 110,000 square metres a year of commercial sites, and around 100,000 square metres a year of industrial sites;
- Over 3,400 residential building blocks were released in 2007-08, the highest number released in a single year since self-government. A further 4,200 blocks are scheduled to be released this year;
- Maintained the highest level of services in the nation – at around 22% above the national average, while our taxation levels remain middle-of-the-pack;
- A \$3.1 million early-stage innovation incubation program
- Allocated \$1.1 million for the new CSIRO *Plant Phenomics Centre*, and \$2.5 million for the Australian National University's new *Climate Change Adaptation Centre of Excellence*
- Allocated \$36.6 million over four years in recurrent funding and \$14.3 million in capital funding for skills. In particular, Labor has allocated:
 - \$2.5 million for additional places at CIT and an extra \$1 million for the CIT Vocational College
 - \$1.2 million to strengthen the *Skilled and Business Migration Program*, link final-year and graduating international students with potential employers and increase traineeships and apprenticeships in the ACT Public Service

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- \$4.2 million to strengthen the health workforce and a boost for the *Live in Canberra* campaign
- Resources for a feasibility study into a new trades training centre in Fyshwick
- \$2.5 million to build capacity and leadership in the ACT public service

This has been achieved against a background of virtually full employment and a labour force participation rate at close to a record high.

ACT Labor has delivered these outcomes while increasing the efficiency of its own operations. The internal efficiencies the Government has demanded of its agencies since coming to office deliver about \$100 million a year in savings, year after year.

ACT Labor understands the need for a strong economy and a supportive environment for business can not be addressed just through specific economic and business measures alone.

Since coming to office, ACT Labor has also released, and is implementing, a range of other policies that make Canberra a more attractive city both for business and for employees with the skills our businesses need, including:

- *ACT Skills Future*- to tackle skills shortages;
- *ACT Affordable Housing Action Plan* – to improve housing affordability;
- *Weathering the Change* - the ACT's climate change strategy;
- *ACT Water Strategy* to guarantee sustainable water supplies for a growing city;
- Strategies to improve the ACT's infrastructure, including beginning preparation of the ACT's first *Infrastructure Plan* and the 2008-09 Budget's billion dollar *Building the Future* infrastructure fund; and
- Budget and policy initiatives to further develop the ACT's health, education and transport systems.

The social impacts of ACT Labor's achievements in these areas are clear:

- Life expectancy has increased by half a year for males, and a year for females, since Labor came to office and remains the highest in the country;
- The proportion of Canberrans with a post-school qualification has increased by 5 percentage points and remains the highest in the country;
- Household disposable income has increased by 47% since Labor came to office and remains the highest in the country; and
- The proportion of Canberrans on low incomes has decreased by around 3.5%, and is the lowest in Australia.

In our 2008/09 Budget, the ACT Labor Government announced a billion-dollar *Building the Future* infrastructure package to increase the productive capacity of our economy and workforce through:

- The creation of a health system to serve the needs of the next decade and beyond;
- Improvements to the transport system;
- Investments in meeting the challenges of climate change;

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- Improvements to urban amenities;
- Improved public service infrastructure; and
- Providing for the growth of the city and its economy.

The 2008-09 Budget also provided significant support for small and medium businesses, innovation and skills. These measures include:

- Support for business, private-sector development, innovation and research totalling \$16.5 million over four years;
- A 20 per cent increase in the payroll tax threshold, from the current \$1.25 million to \$1.5 million, at a cost of around \$28.7 million over four years;
- \$1 million in venture capital for the *Canberra Business Development Fund*; and
- \$1 million in targeted marketing initiatives to promote the ACT's investment and business profile.

Moving Forward

Building on this strong record of achievement, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with ACT business and other stakeholder groups to further strengthen the Territory's economy, to assist business and to grow employment.

The ACT Labor Government's recent *Capital Development: Towards our Second Century* economic and business development strategy laid out the broad directions and outlined the approach the Government will pursue if re-elected.

ACT Labor's Business and Economic Development policy sets out the specific measures the ACT Labor Government will undertake to implement the broad strategy set out in the *Capital Development* strategy.

Maintain a strong economic base

A strong economy supports a strong business sector. As a first priority, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will maintain its commitment to strong fiscal management to provide the macroeconomic foundation to support business and continue the ACT's sustained economic development. At present, the ACT economy is strong, and only Labor has the experience and the vision to employ that strength to ensure the Territory is ready for the future. Labor's firm economic management is even more important for the well-being of the ACT following the recent turmoil in financial markets.

Stronger ACT-Commonwealth Government coordination

Stronger and more effective collaboration between the ACT and Commonwealth Governments is important in avoiding problems and making the best use of the skills and resources of each Government in advancing the ACT.

The ACT Government will seek to enhance this relationship by approaching the Australian Government to establish a new Ministerial level forum with the aim of increasing the level of collaboration between the two governments for the benefit of the national capital.

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Continue to build the Territory's skills base

Skill shortages are a continuing challenge for Canberra's businesses. The Territory needs more workers, and it needs more workers skilled in specific areas. Building on its response to the recommendations of the *ACT Skills Commission* through *ACT Skills Future Strategy*, and the 2008-09 Budget, ACT Labor will undertake suite of additional measures to address current and expected skills issues.

Encourage post-school training in areas of identified skills shortage

ACT Labor will support small business by helping them attract better-qualified workers through a mix of measures that support employees while they improve their skills and training and through policies that make Canberra a more attractive city for employees to move to, and remain in once they have come to Canberra.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will consult with CIT and other stakeholders to develop and implement a scheme under which the ACT Labor Government will provide assistance with course fees and materials to CIT students studying in areas of skills shortage, at a cost of \$1 million in its next term.

ACT Labor will help business employers attract university graduates and retain them once they graduate by paying students' on-going Higher Education Contribution Scheme payments while they remain employed in Canberra, at a cost of \$1 million in its next term. This program will begin with graduates in areas of identified skills shortages, and will be reviewed during the term of the next ACT Labor Government for possible extension to other graduates.

Better access to training

A key element of ACT Labor's approach to business development is to enlarge the opportunities for business owners and employees to identify and easily access appropriate training.

Accordingly, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with small businesses to identify and implement more effective means to deliver relevant information about appropriate training courses and providers to match the requirements of individual small businesses.

Building business and entrepreneurial skills in young adults

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will provide additional support over its next term for Young Achievers Australia to develop business skills in ACT high school, college and university students.

Young Achievers Australia is an innovative and effective leadership and business skills development program for the Territory's budding entrepreneurs. At present the program receives some in-kind, and other ACT Labor Government, assistance. Under this proposal the current support will be augmented by an additional \$10,000 a year from 2008-09 in direct funding.

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Continue to lobby the Commonwealth Government to address issues with the current business migration system

The current Commonwealth Government business migration system disadvantages the ACT in terms of attracting and retaining skilled workers important to Canberra businesses and the economy. ACT Labor will continue to lobby the Commonwealth to remove this disadvantage and to assist the ACT attract skilled workers from other countries to meet ACT business needs.

Continue to encourage skilled workers to move to Canberra

ACT Labor will encourage more skilled workers to move to Canberra by continuing to fund our award-winning *Live in Canberra Campaign* and *Skilled and Business Migration Program*.

Support small business

Keeping businesses ahead of technology change

ACT Labor will support home-based businesses and encourage home-based business start-ups by consulting with industry on measures to encourage all new land developments to provide *Fibre to Home* broadband connections.

ACT Labor will also work with the property and development industry to encourage the adoption of *common user* trenches for communications cabling, for all new residential, commercial and industrial developments.

Continue support for Canberra BusinessPoint

ACT Labor will continue to fund the *Canberra BusinessPoint* program, which has demonstrated its value in the provision of advice and mentoring services to ACT small business.

Business in Focus to continue

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will assist the business community to stage a biennial *Business in Focus Month*, commencing in September 2009 with the purposes of profiling Canberra as a place to do business and to assist businesses to develop new capabilities through education and information.

New payroll tax concession arrangements

Payroll tax is an important lever for the Government to use in attracting and retaining sustainable businesses that will grow the Territory economy and employ additional ACT workers.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will introduce a strategically focused payroll-tax concession program to support significant new private sector investment projects. A particular focus of the new approach will be on supporting innovation, growing ACT exports and further developing the skills capacity of ACT firms.

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Building strategic relationships between business, government and universities

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with ACT tertiary institutions and major public and private organisations to put in place supportive urban planning strategies that build, support and strengthen the innovation capability in the Acton-Bruce Innovation Corridor.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with tertiary education institutions, and senior colleges, to develop an integrated tertiary education system that meets current and emerging professional education and skill needs and opportunities.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will fund a feasibility study for a *Centre for Creative Enterprise and Cultural Production*, based on the capabilities at the Australian National University, University of Canberra and Canberra Institute of Technology, at a cost of \$100,000.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with education institutions, other education service providers and business, to grow and sustain the market for the export of education services. To assist this process, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will provide \$50,000 towards the cost of a business marketing strategy for the sector.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with the University of Canberra to position the University and its campus as a national and ACT-community indoor sports hub.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with the *Lighthouse Business Innovation Centre* located at the University of Canberra to trial a *Knowledge Connect* intermediary access program, to assist businesses develop strategic relationships with university and institution-based research staff.

Using Government purchasing to support local business

Reform of ACT Government procurement

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will review its procurement policies to further assist ACT businesses raise their awareness of Government procurement processes and procurement exercises, including through enhancing the ACT Government procurement website.

Small Business 30 day payment

As an extension of its business-friendly policies, under a re-elected ACT Labor Government all undisputed payments owed by the ACT Government to business and service suppliers to the Government will be paid within 30 days of receipt of an invoice. Government agencies that do not make payments on agreed invoices within 30 days will pay an additional, commercial rate of interest on late payments.

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Assisting business prepare for climate change

Climate change is one of the most pressing challenges the ACT will face in the coming years. ACT Labor will assist business in a number of ways to prepare for climate change.

Small business climate change information service

It is also important that small businesses become aware of the possible impacts of climate change on their operations. ACT Labor will assist in this task by providing \$148,000 in its next term to fund a service providing best practice information and advice on climate change mitigation and adaptation measures.

Helping business to be wise with water

A particular issue is making better use of water, one of our most scarce resources. To assist small businesses with this challenge, the ACT Labor Government will provide \$600,000 over its next term to support business water audits and the development of business water management plans to undertake business continuity planning and to support businesses implement water saving measures.

Building audits

The ACT has a large amount of ageing second and third class commercial property that may not be being managed as effectively as possible in terms of its energy efficiency. To respond to this issue ACT Labor, if re-elected, will provide funding of \$75,000 in its next term to fund building efficiency audits of second and third class commercial property.

Supporting exporters

ACT Labor will provide particular support for Territory businesses that export goods and services, or those that are striving to position themselves for export activity. In signing a Memorandum of Understanding with Austrade recently, the ACT Labor Government signalled its commitment to working with Austrade to support local firms already exporting or seeking to export.

ACT Labor will further assist exporters by expanding the existing *Trade Connect Program* with an additional \$150,000 for a total of \$400,000 per year over the next three years.

If re-elected, ACT Labor will continue its current level of funding to support the *ACT Exporters Network*, and the *ACT Chief Minister's Export Awards*.

ACT Labor will undertake a census of ACT exporters and export intenders to gather strategic information on ACT export capacity, to inform policy and measure the impact of programs and services. This will be updated every two years.

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ACT Labor is committed to strengthening the Territory's connections with strategically important export markets such as China. It will work with local universities to deliver a feasibility study to establish a Confucius Institute in the ACT, based on successful models operating elsewhere in Australia and overseas. Confucius Institutes are dedicated to the promotion and development of Chinese language, culture and business relationships and based on a partnering model with a Chinese university. ACT Labor will also increase its support for the ACT Honorary Ambassador Program to assist the Government's trade, migration and investment facilitation objectives. The combined cost of these two initiatives is \$309,000 over the next term.

Encouraging innovation

Innovation Canberra

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with peak business groups and other stakeholders to establish a new entity, to be known as *Innovation Canberra*. *Innovation Canberra* will be responsible for leading, driving and coordinating initiatives requiring the collaboration of industry, government, research organisations and the tertiary education sector in encouraging and promoting innovation in ACT business. If re-elected, the ACT Labor Government will provide funding of \$300,000 over the Government's next term for this new entity.

Continue support for Screen ACT

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will commit to a further funding agreement for *ScreenACT* to support Canberra's growing digital multimedia, film and documentary production sector, at a cost of \$555,000 in its next term.

CollabIT

It is important for ACT small and medium sized businesses operating in the information and communication technology field that they be supported to develop links with larger national and international firms in this sector.

To assist this, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with the Australian Information Industries Association on the *CollabIT* program, at a cost of \$150,000 over the next term of government.

Supporting retailers through urban renewal

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will continue to work to improve the attractiveness of Canberra as a place to live and work, invest and do business.

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Improving Civic as the centre of the city

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will work with Canberra CBD Ltd to develop an integrated plan for Civic, and to refresh the Sydney and Melbourne buildings.

ACT Labor will support enhanced *Grooving in the City* style outdoor community activities in Civic in partnership with Canberra CBD Ltd.

Implementing the Government's new supermarket competition policy

ACT Labor will continue the implementation of its supermarket competition policy by undertaking a review of the Dickson, and a revision of the Dickson and Kingston Master Plans, at a cost of \$220,000 in its next term if re-elected.

Upgrade and extend infrastructure

Good quality urban infrastructure provides a strong platform for ACT business, and the ACT Government is determined to ensure that the Territory's urban and other infrastructure is well planned, meets priority needs and is delivered on time. In pursuing these goals, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will undertake a number of measures, listed below.

Audit existing public assets

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will audit the ACT's public assets and infrastructure, including roads, bridges and other facilities to ascertain the state of our current capital assets.

Complete a ten-year infrastructure development plan

To strengthen its strategic approach to infrastructure planning for the Territory, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will complete a rolling ten-year infrastructure plan for the Territory. This *ACT Infrastructure Plan* will be used to inform the planning and delivery of the ACT Labor Government's billion dollar *Building the Future* capital works program.

New structures and processes for better coordination of infrastructure delivery

It is important to continue to review and improve processes for the planning and delivery of government services and facilities. In this light, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will investigate possible new structures and processes to better coordinate planning and delivery of the Government's infrastructure program, in particular:

- Better alignment of project planning and delivery with Government priorities;
- More certain commencement times for projects; and
- Expand the role of the ACT Government's *Strategic Project Facilitation Group* to take a more proactive role in identifying and addressing bottlenecks and assisting major private and public sector capital investment opportunities.

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Canberra International Airport

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will support the development of Canberra International Airport through collaborations with Canberra International Airport in marketing and promotion initiatives.

Planning for a new National Convention Centre

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will proceed with a feasibility study into development of a new National Convention Centre for Canberra. An ACT Labor Government will also continue to seek Commonwealth financial and other participation in this important ACT and national project.

Taxis

The ACT Labor Government believes current issues within the Canberra taxi industry are a major concern for the community, the tourism industry and the taxi industry itself. The ACT Labor Government has already implemented a number of initiatives, but more remains to be done.

In consultation with the industry and other stakeholders, a re-elected ACT Labor Government will work through a consultative forum to identify long-term solutions to the problems of the taxi industry, including:

- Making the taxi industry a higher priority for the Government's *Live in Canberra* skills attraction program to address the shortage of taxi drivers in the ACT;
- Reviewing the formula underpinning the taxi Composite Cost Index;
- A formula addressing the future release of taxi plates; and
- Other legislative impediments to the taxi industry.

A re-elected ACT Labor Government will also assist the taxi industry by continuing to encourage more High Occupancy Taxis within the existing fleet.

Pulford, Nikki

From: Hummel, Gabrielle
Sent: Thursday, 16 October 2008 2:41 PM
To: Bulless, Neil; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: copy of news release - Minister Barr announcement today
Attachments: 092 Media Release - Barr - 16 October 2008.pdf

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SUBJECT: Freedom of Information (FOI) Request – Zed Seselja: Correspondence in Relation to 2008 Caretaker Period

To: Executive Director, Investment and Economics Division
Executive Director, Finance and Budget Division
Executive Director, Policy Coordination and Development Division
Director, Revenue Management Division

Critical Date for consideration: 20 June 2011

Purpose: To seek information relating to an FOI request from Zed Seselja regarding correspondence held by Treasury during the 2008 caretaker period.

Key Points:

- o Treasury has received a request under the *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (the Act) from Mr Zed Seselja, Leader of the Opposition. A copy of the request is included with this minute.
- o Mr Seselja is seeking documents held by Treasury during the caretaker period for the 2008 ACT elections. Specifically:

"... all correspondence held by the Directorate during the caretaker period for the 2008 ACT elections."

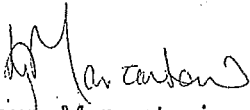
"... covers, but is not limited to records of correspondence, meetings, telephone conversations, documents on file (including, but not limited to, letters, file notes, emails, media releases, minutes, briefings, submission etc) in connection with:

- *Correspondence between ministerial offices and the Under treasurer (and Treasury officials);*
- *subsequent actions carried out;*
- *interactions with relevant ACT Government departments, agencies and ministers (including ministerial staff);*
- *interactions with key stakeholders; and*
- *all public announcements."*

- o An indication of the volume of documents held within your Division, by completing the attached Schedule of documents (also available electronically on the Treasury Portal) would be appreciated by **Monday 20 June 2011** to assist in determining a Decision Maker.
- o If your Division does not hold any relevant documents, please advise your nil response using the form attached.
- o Please complete the attached time control sheet relevant to the time your Division spent on this request.

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- Please contact me on ext. 50623 if you wish to discuss any aspect of this request.



Laura Marcantonio
FOI Coordinator

15 June 2011

Key dates checklist

Date request received from applicant:	3 June 2011
Schedule of Docs due to CLO	20 June 2011
Documents outlined in schedule to Decision Maker	28 June 2011
Decision letter to CLO	1 July 2011
Date decision required to applicant:	4 July 2011

Friend, Stuart

From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Wednesday, 27 July 2011 9:53 AM
To: Friend, Stuart
Subject: FW: FOI - correspondence held during 2008 Caretaker Period
Attachments: 20110718172725969.pdf

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From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Monday, 18 July 2011 5:45 PM
To: Ahmed, Khalid; Broughton, Roger; Holmes, Lisa; Bulless, Neil; Read, David; Smithies, Megan; Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Marcantonio, Laura; Prowse, Fay
Subject: FOI - correspondence held during 2008 Caretaker Period

Zed Seselja has refined the scope of the previous FOI. In relation to correspondence held during the caretaker period, it now is limited to correspondence between ACT Treasury and Minister's (including Ministerial Offices).

The caretaker period in 2008 was 12 Sept to 18 Oct.

I will advise on who the decision maker will be, but could you please work on ensuring that all relevant documentation from your area is available for the decision maker by 5 August.

We will see what we can gather from the TRIM system and from the ministerial tracking system for that period and provide to you.

Kirsten

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Friend, Stuart

From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Wednesday, 27 July 2011 9:52 AM
To: Friend, Stuart
Subject: FW: FOI - Caretaker Period - info on previous FOIs
Attachments: Previous FOIs received on this issue.doc

From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Wednesday, 20 July 2011 12:27 PM
To: Smithles, Megan; Pulford, Nikki; Ahmed, Khalid; Read, David; Broughton, Roger; Holmes, Lisa; Bulless, Neil
Cc: Horsburgh, Helen; Kirkham, Elizabeth; Trute, Carolyn; Knowd, Carolene; Marcantonio, Laura
Subject: FOI - Caretaker Period - info on previous FOIs

Please find attached information on previous FOIs which cover an aspect (not all) of the caretaker period. I have highlighted the documents I think relevant and will arrange for retrieval of them off the files, but if you believe others in the schedules are relevant, please let me know.

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Friend, Stuart

From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Wednesday, 27 July 2011 9:56 AM
To: Friend, Stuart
Subject: FW: FOI caretaker
Attachments: Tracking list during period.doc

From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Thursday, 21 July 2011 12:35 PM
To: Ahmed, Khalid; Read, David; Holmes, Lisa; Bulless, Neil; Broughton, Roger
Cc: Marcantonio, Laura; Knowd, Carolene; Trute, Carolyn; Kirkham, Elizabeth; Horsburgh, Helen; McKenzie, Kelly; Prowse, Fay; Pulford, Nikki
Subject: FOI caretaker

Please find attached a list of ministerials received during the caretaker period and if they were responded to during the period.

Also is a list of briefs that were signed during the period.

have a signed version of all of these here and will make available to the decision maker. It will be up to the decision maker to determine whether they are within the scope of the request. Privacy concerns will also need to be taken into consideration.

The only last thing we will do here is to have a look at ministerials which were received before the period, but may have been signed during the period, as we will have a copy here aswell.

Summary of what we have here:

- Copies of previous FOIs
- Copies of ministerials received and signed during the period
- Copies of signed briefs during the period

Other items relevant to the FOI for your area may include

- Briefs provided to the office during the period, which may not have been signed
- Emails between yourselves and the ministers office (including Nikki, if provided for the purpose of provision to the office), eg election costing emails (noting that previous FOIs only related to greens and opposition)
- Briefs or advice that may not have been tracked
- Economic indicator briefs
- etc

Sorry for the all the emails, I just note that this was a while ago, and some of our staff which were here are not here anymore, so we are trying to gather what we can

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Friend, Stuart

From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Wednesday, 3 August 2011 1:40 PM
To: Pulford, Nikki
Cc: Friend, Stuart
Subject: FOI - Caretaker

All the emails I sent to areas you were emailed into, so nothing extra.

Shared Services was part of Treasury during caretaker, they were moved out in the Nov 2008 AAs.

In looking at the briefs that went across during that time, there were a couple relating to the procurement board, but nothing else.

Unless shared services sent something directly over, which would be unlikely, it would have been on the DLO correspondence list, and therefore on the list I sent out.

I think it would be safe therefore to limit the scope of the search for SS to:

- Requesting division heads to check their emails during that period for any direct communication with the Minister's Office
- Check your emails as DLO during that period

Stuart, if you have any thoughts otherwise, please let us know

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Friend, Stuart

From: Thompson, Kirsten
Sent: Thursday, 4 August 2011 12:41 PM
To: Ahmed, Khalid; Read, David; Holmes, Lisa; Bulless, Neil; Broughton, Roger; Friend, Stuart
Cc: Marcantonio, Laura; Knowd, Carolene; Trute, Carolyn; Kirkham, Elizabeth; Horsburgh, Helen; McKenzie, Kelly; Prowse, Fay
Subject: RE: FOI caretaker

Stuart Friend will be the decision maker for the FOI on caretaker