

Triple Bottom Line (TBL) Assessment Summary

The Triple Bottom Line Assessment is required to be published in accordance with Part 4, section 23 (1)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2016

20/240 - Options for managing accommodation needs during the COVID-19 pandemic

Summary of impacts: Overall, this submission has a positive social impact on the needs of various Canberrans during the time of the COVID-19 pandemic and special arrangements that are or will be in place.

- The impact to the ACT Government Budget is negative as the costs related to the pandemic were not anticipated.
- There are a number of neutral impacts on measures that this submission does not seek to address.
- There are no environmental impacts.

Level of impact	Positive	Negative	Neutral
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Social		
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Positive	Gender Equality	This submission supports gender equality and identifies the particular needs of various cohorts, including vulnerable women.
Positive	Health (Community and mental health)	This submission will have a positive impact on health by minimising the risk of transmission of COVID-19 through providing accommodation options to ensure that all members of the community can self-isolate safely and in adherence with infection control guidelines.
Positive	Access to services	Access to services will be improved through this submission by meeting immediate healthcare and community needs that respond to the emerging public health emergency due to COVID-19. It explores the needs of various cohorts and provides opportunities to better manage particular vulnerabilities to COVID-19 that certain segments of the community face.
Neutral	Housing and Affordable housing	While this proposal relates to accommodation options due to COVID-19, it does not seek to address any long- term housing or affordable housing measures, unless identified under other programs.
Positive	Homelessness support	This submission provides temporary accommodation options for people living in specialist homelessness services, or in crowded or poor conditions, where they or a member of their household has been diagnosed or directly exposed to COVID-19.

Neutral	Access to social inclusion/participation and community activities	This submission does not seek to address these needs given the current social distancing measures due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Neutral	Human rights	• The Chief Health Officer has power to direct a person to quarantine, and impose conditions. Such directions may impact the human rights of individuals. However, they are applied under legislative authority, only rarely, and when necessary to protect public health and safety.
Positive	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	 This submission supports meeting the additional needs of vulnerable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Canberrans during the COVID-19 pandemic, by considering the needs of various cohorts.
Positive	Multicultural	This submission supports meeting the additional needs of vulnerable multicultural Canberrans during the COVID-19 pandemic, by considering the needs of various cohorts.
Neutral	Impacts on different age groups	This submission has a wide-reaching impact in terms of its applicability to different age groups and is considerate of the clinical needs of older Canberrans in its response.
Positive	Disability	This submission supports meeting the additional needs of vulnerable Canberrans with disability during the COVID-19 pandemic, by considering the needs of various cohorts.
Neutral	Justice and Crime	This submission does not seek to address any long- term justice and crime measures, unless identified under other programs.

Economic		
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Negative	ACT Government Budget	Funding of accommodation needs is part of the ACT Government's response to manage the COVID-19 pandemic.
Neutral	Productivity	This submission does not seek to address any productivity measures, unless identified under other programs.
Neutral	Innovation	This submission does not seek to address any innovation measures, unless identified under other programs.
Positive	Employment and labour force	This submission will assist the tourism sector, particularly staff working for accommodation providers in the ACT, prevent the potential loss of jobs as a result of COVID-19 social distancing measures by utilising these spaces to accommodate various cohorts of Canberrans, through the provision of Government Funded Accommodation and therefore maintaining employment.

Positive	Small business impact	This submission will assist the tourism sector, particularly accommodation providers in the ACT, manage the downturn in revenue as a result of COVID-19 social distancing measures by utilising these spaces to accommodate various cohorts of Canberrans, through the provision of Government Funded Accommodation.
Neutral	Skills	This submission does not seek to address any skills measures, unless identified under other programs.
Neutral	Education	This submission does not seek to address any education measures, unless identified under other programs.
Positive	Investment and Economic Growth	This submission will assist the tourism sector, particularly accommodation providers in the ACT, manage the downturn in revenue as a result of COVID-19 social distancing measures by utilising these spaces to accommodate various cohorts of Canberrans, through the provision of Government Funded Accommodation.
		This is expected to support the sector for the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic, the timeframe which is not known at this stage.
Neutral	Competition	This submission seeks to utilise the existing accommodation providers in the ACT in order to respond to the immediate needs of Canberrans during the COVID-19 pandemic.
Neutral	Cost of living	Various households may utilise the accommodation options outlined in the submission at no additional cost to them.

Environmental Nil	
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