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Legislative Assembly of Queensland

Overview

The Legislative Assembly of Queensland consists of 93 Members who discharge a range of important constitutional, legislative and constituency responsibilities. The *Parliamentary Service Act 1988* establishes the Parliamentary Service to provide administrative and support services to the Legislative Assembly.

Our vision is to be recognised as an innovative leader in the delivery of Parliamentary Services in the Westminster world.

Our purpose is to independently support, promote and strengthen the Parliament to fulfil its democratic functions.

In 2022-23, the Parliamentary Service will work towards its objectives to:

- support the Legislative Assembly (and its committees and Members) in fulfilling its functions within the institution of Parliament
- support Members of the Legislative Assembly to engage with and represent their electorates
- provide information, corporate and facility management services
- safeguard, promote and strengthen the important institution of Parliament.

The Parliamentary Service also provides a range of corporate support services to client agencies with specific relationships to the Parliament including the Queensland Audit Office, the Office of the Queensland Ombudsman, and the Office of the Governor.

Departmental highlights

In 2022-23, the Parliamentary Service will:

- upgrade wi-fi capabilities within the Parliamentary precinct and electorate offices
- continue to upgrade critical infrastructure of the Parliamentary Annexe. The focus in 2022–23 is the external façade and the interior of levels 9 to 23 of the Parliamentary Annexe tower
- plan and deliver a regional sitting of the Queensland Parliament in Cairns during the term of the current 57th parliament
- implement a 3 year information technology digital strategy for the Parliamentary Service with focus in 2022–23 on the development of a digital preservation strategy to improve the lifecycle management of the parliament's digital information collections and streamlining business processes and workflows by converting paper-based forms into digital formats
- implement a new regional education program to engage key regional centres on parliamentary and democratic processes
- implement automatic speech recognition technology to modernise existing processes used to produce the official record of parliamentary proceedings (Hansard).

Budget highlights

In the 2022–23 Queensland Budget, the government is providing:

- additional funding to improve electorate office security through the installation of a standardised CCTV monitoring system in each electorate office across Queensland
- increased funding to continue the Electorate Office Technology Model delivering essential IT infrastructure, services and applications within electorate offices and via remote connections.

Further information about new policy decisions can be found in Budget Paper No. 4: Budget Measures.

Performance statement

Members' Salaries, Entitlements and Electorate Office Services

Objective

To administer the direct remuneration and entitlements of Members of Parliament and provide resources and support services to assist in maintaining Members' electorate offices.

Description

This service area represents the direct cost of Members' salaries and entitlements and maintaining and supporting electorate offices across the state.

The *Members' Remuneration Handbook* (the Handbook) outlines the salaries and other entitlements of Members of the Legislative Assembly. The Queensland Independent Remuneration Tribunal is an independent Statutory Authority established to review and determine remuneration (salaries, allowances and entitlements) of Members and former Members of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland and the entitlements of cross bench Members to additional staff members.

The Handbook also establishes that each Member is provided with an electorate office to support activities in servicing their electorate. The Handbook also provides for a range of other resources to support the operation of each electorate office including staffing and certain equipment. All of these resources provide support to Members to enable them to fulfil their constituency responsibilities.

Service standards for Members' Salaries, Entitlements and Electorate Office Services are not provided. Each electorate office operates independently under the direction of each Member. Individual Members assess the performance of their office(s) based upon the needs of that Member in servicing local constituents.

Parliamentary Precinct Support Services

Objective

To deliver a range of support services within the parliamentary precinct to the Parliament, its Members and committees.

Description

This service area provides:

- advisory, information and support services to assist the Parliament, its committees and Members to fulfil their constitutional and parliamentary responsibilities. These services include Chamber, Education and Communication Services, the Committee Office, the Parliamentary Library and Parliamentary Reporting Services
- services to promote the institution of Parliament and raise community awareness and understanding of its important role and functions
- services to provide a safe and secure parliamentary precinct including Security and Attendant Services
- accommodation and hospitality services that provide Members, staff and guests of the Parliament with an appropriate working environment
- organisational services that support the activities of Members and their staff, and deliver and administer a range of entitlements afforded to Members pursuant to the *Members' Remuneration Handbook* including Information Technology Services, Human Resource Services, and Financial and Administrative Services.

Service standards	2021–22 Target/Est.	2021–22 Est. Actual	2022–23 Target/Est.
Effectiveness measures	·		
Percentage of Members satisfied with services provided (satisfied/very satisfied)	95%	93%	95%
Percentage of shared services clients satisfied with services provided (satisfied/very satisfied)	100%	100%	100%
Efficiency measures	1	I	
Not identified			

Departmental budget summary

The table below shows the total resources available in 2022–23 from all sources and summarises how resources will be applied by service area and by controlled and administered classifications.

Legislative Assembly of Queensland	2021–22 Budget \$'000	2021–22 Est. Actual \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000
CONTROLLED			
Income			
Appropriation revenue	104,121	106,529	111,308
Other revenue	2,201	2,201	2,201
Total income	106,322	108,730	113,509
Expenses			
Members' Salaries, Entitlements and Electorate Office Services	65,997	67,541	69,923
Parliamentary Precinct Support Services	40,325	41,189	43,586
Total expenses	106,322	108,730	113,509
Operating surplus/deficit			
Net assets	231,067	227,554	270,260

Staffing

The table below shows the Full Time Equivalents (FTEs) as at the 30 June in the respective years.

Service area	2021–22 Budget	2021–22 Est. Actual	2022–23 Budget
Members' Salaries, Entitlements and Electorate Office Services	301	305	305
Parliamentary Precinct Support Services	208	211	211
Total FTEs	509	516	516

Capital program

The total planned 2022–23 capital expenditure for the Legislative Assembly of Queensland is \$43.6 million. Major capital projects include the necessary repairs and upgrades to the external façade of the Parliamentary Annexe, and the refurbishment of soft furnishings in Members' office and overnight accommodation floors (levels 9 to 23). Other capital projects include the installation of CCTV in Members' electorate offices, the ongoing electorate office accommodation improvement program, and upgrades to information technology network infrastructure.

The table below shows the capital purchases by the agency in the respective years.

	2021–22 Budget \$'000	2021–22 Est. Actual \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000
Capital purchases	7,882	15,382	43,561
Capital grants			
Total capital outlays	7,882	15,382	43,561

Further information about the Legislative Assembly of Queensland capital outlays can be found in *Budget Paper No. 3: Capital Statement*. There may be variations between the capital program figure quoted across papers as payments across Queensland government agencies are excluded from *Budget Paper No. 3: Capital Statement* and may be included in the figure quoted above.

Budgeted financial statements

Departmental income statement

Total expenses are estimated to be \$113.5 million in 2022–23, an increase of \$4.8 million from the 2021–22 Estimated Actual. This is primarily related to additional funding received in 2022–23 associated with enterprise bargaining costs, Members' remuneration, operating funding associated with the Parliamentary Annexe refurbishment, and maintenance and electorate office leasing escalation.

Departmental balance sheet

The Legislative Assembly's major assets are land and buildings. The Legislative Assembly's main liabilities relate to creditors supplying goods and services to the Legislative Assembly, and accrued employee benefits. The increase to assets in 2022–23 is due to the planned repairs and upgrades to the external façade of the Parliamentary Annexe, and the refurbishment of soft furnishings in Members' office and overnight accommodation floors.

Controlled income statement

Legislative Assembly of Queensland	2021–22 Budget \$'000	2021–22 Est. Actual \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000
INCOME			
Appropriation revenue	104,121	106,529	111,308
Taxes			
User charges and fees	2,169	2,169	2,169
Royalties and land rents			
Grants and other contributions			
Interest and distributions from managed funds			
Other revenue	32	32	32
Gains on sale/revaluation of assets			
Total income	106,322	108,730	113,509
EXPENSES			
Employee expenses	69,794	71,568	74,673
Supplies and services	28,179	28,813	30,487
Grants and subsidies			
Depreciation and amortisation	8,115	8,115	8,115
Finance/borrowing costs			
Other expenses	234	234	234
Losses on sale/revaluation of assets			
Total expenses	106,322	108,730	113,509
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)			

Controlled balance sheet

Legislative Assembly of Queensland	2021–22 Budget \$'000	2021–22 Est. Actual \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash assets	1,750	5,115	5,115
Receivables	3,066	1,620	1,620
Other financial assets			
Inventories	215	164	164
Other	2,138	1,181	1,181
Non-financial assets held for sale			
Total current assets	7,169	8,080	8,080
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Receivables			
Other financial assets			
Property, plant and equipment	225,695	221,833	264,560
Intangibles	640	612	591
Other			
Total non-current assets	226,335	222,445	265,151
TOTAL ASSETS	233,504	230,525	273,231
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	1,393	1,820	1,820
Accrued employee benefits	1,009	1,126	1,126
Interest bearing liabilities and derivatives			
Provisions			
Other	35	25	25
Total current liabilities	2,437	2,971	2,971
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables			
Accrued employee benefits			
Interest bearing liabilities and derivatives			
Provisions			
Other			
Total non-current liabilities			
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,437	2,971	2,971
NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)	231,067	227,554	270,260
EQUITY			
TOTAL EQUITY	231,067	227,554	270,260

Controlled cash flow statement

Legislative Assembly of Queensland	2021–22 Budget \$'000	2021–22 Est. Actual \$'000	2022–23 Budget \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Inflows:			
Appropriation receipts	103,591	105,658	111,308
User charges and fees	2,319	2,319	2,319
Royalties and land rent receipts			
Grants and other contributions			
Interest and distribution from managed funds received			
Taxes			
Other	1,409	1,409	1,409
Outflows:			
Employee costs	(69,794)	(71,568)	(74,673)
Supplies and services	(29,556)	(30,190)	(31,864)
Grants and subsidies			
Borrowing costs			
Other	(384)	(384)	(384)
Net cash provided by or used in operating activities	7,585	7,244	8,115
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Inflows:			
Sales of non-financial assets	33	33	33
Investments redeemed			
Loans and advances redeemed			
Outflows:			
Payments for non-financial assets	(7,882)	(15,382)	(43,561)
Payments for investments			
Loans and advances made			
Net cash provided by or used in investing activities	(7,849)	(15,349)	(43,528)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Inflows:			
Borrowings			
Equity injections	4,862	4,980	40,541
Outflows:			
Borrowing redemptions			
Finance lease payments			
Equity withdrawals	(5,128)	(5,128)	(5,128)
Net cash provided by or used in financing activities	(266)	(148)	35,413
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	(530)	(8,253)	
Cash at the beginning of financial year	2,280	13,368	5,115
Cash transfers from restructure			
Cash at the end of financial year	1,750	5,115	5,115

Glossary of terms

Accrual accounting	Recognition of economic events and other financial transactions involving revenue, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity as they occur and reporting in financial statements in the period to which they relate, rather than when a flow of cash occurs.
Administered items	Assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses an entity administers, without discretion, on behalf of the government.
Agency/entity	Used generically to refer to the various organisational units within government that deliver services or otherwise service government objectives. The term can include departments, commercialised business units, statutory bodies or other organisations established by Executive decision.
Appropriation	 Funds issued by the Treasurer, under Parliamentary authority, to departments during a financial year for: delivery of agreed services administered items adjustment of the government's equity in agencies, including acquiring of capital.
Balance sheet	A financial statement that reports the assets, liabilities and equity of an entity as at a particular date.
Capital	A term used to refer to an entity's stock of assets and the capital grants it makes to other agencies. Assets include property, plant and equipment, intangible items and inventories that an entity owns/controls and uses in the delivery of services.
Cash flow statement	A financial statement reporting the cash inflows and outflows for an entity's operating, investing and financing activities in a particular period.
Controlled Items	Assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses that are controlled by departments. These relate directly to the departmental operational objectives and arise at the discretion and direction of that department.
Depreciation	The periodic allocation of the cost of physical assets, representing the amount of the asset consumed during a specified time.
Equity	Equity is the residual interest in the assets of the entity after deduction of its liabilities. It usually comprises the entity's accumulated surpluses/losses, capital injections and any reserves.
Equity injection	An increase in the investment of the government in a public sector agency.
Financial statements	Collective description of the income statement, the balance sheet and the cash flow statement for an entity's controlled and administered activities.
Income statement	A financial statement highlighting the accounting surplus or deficit of an entity. It provides an indication of whether the entity has sufficient revenue to meet expenses in the current year, including non-cash costs such as depreciation.
Outcomes	Whole-of-government outcomes are intended to cover all dimensions of community wellbeing. They express the current needs and future aspirations of communities, within a social, economic and environment context.
Own-source revenue	Revenue that is generated by an agency, generally through the sale of goods and services, but it may also include some Commonwealth funding.
Priorities	Key policy areas that will be the focus of government activity.
Services	The actions or activities (including policy development) of an agency which contribute to the achievement of the agency's objectives.
Service area	Related services grouped into a high level service area for communicating the broad types of services delivered by an agency.



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