

MINISTER FOR HOUSING — PORTFOLIOS — PURCHASING CARDS

135. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing; Local Government:

For each department and agency within the Minister's portfolio, could the Minister please provide information for the financial year 2019–2020, concerning the use of purchasing cards (including debit and credit cards) including:

- (a) how many cards were issued to staff;
- (b) what expenditure and transaction limits applied to the use of those cards;
- (c) the total dollar value of transactions made via those cards;
- (d) the total number of transactions made via those cards; and
- (e) a breakdown of the categories of goods and services purchased via those cards?

Hon Sue Ellery replied:

Department of Communities

Please refer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 132.

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Please refer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 126.

Metropolitan Cemeteries Board

- (a) 31
- (b) In accordance with Metropolitan Cemeteries Board policy each card has a \$5000.00 transaction limit. Monthly expenditure limits vary depending upon individual delegation limits. This is a table of the approved limits for 2019–2020:

Number of Cards	Transaction Limit	Monthly Limit
4	\$5,000	\$5,000
11	\$5,000	\$10,000
1	\$5,000	\$12,000
8	\$5,000	\$15,000
4	\$5,000	\$20,000
1	\$5,000	\$25,000
1	\$5,000	\$30,000
1	\$5,000	\$75,000

- (c) \$691,172.75
- (d) 1,673
- (e) This detailed information would require considerable time, which would divert staff away from their normal duties and it is not considered to be a reasonable or appropriate use of government resources to provide this information. If the member has a more specific query, I will endeavour to provide a reply.