

Amended Answer to Question 4 on Notice

Question 4

The CHAIRMAN: It might assist the committee if again you would like to take that on notice.

Mr NELSON: Yes, I think we should. I will find out the cost of that as well.

The CHAIRMAN: It is to identify what searches are available to be done by a member of the public and what searches are able to be done by subscribers, and what are the criteria for being a subscriber. That will be question on notice 4.

Answer to Question 4

Currently all subscribers must register through Landgate's business systems and apply for credit with a credit check. They have access to the data that is relevant to their business needs based on required activity channels; e.g.

Conveyancing channel, Government channel or Surveyors channel.

All subscribers to these channels can search Landgate's Power of Attorney Register by entering the power of attorney number (if known), or by entering either the name of the donor or the attorney. The fee is \$1.00 for each search. For this fee the subscriber will view online a table showing the power of attorney number, the date the document was executed, the first named donor and the first named attorney. For an additional \$12.65 a subscriber can click on the above-mentioned table and view online further information including the date it was deposited at Landgate, its status (either current or revoked), whether it is a normal power of attorney or an enduring power of attorney and other relevant information. If a photocopy of the document is ordered there is a \$25.30 fee charged for this.

The General Public cannot conduct a power of attorney search online. If they wish to search for the existence of a power of attorney document they need to attend in person at Landgate and produce 100 points of ID. If a power of attorney exists they will be provided with the document number which can be used to purchase a copy of the power of attorney or enduring power of attorney, either online or over the counter. The usual fee to search the document by obtaining a photocopy of it (currently \$25.30) is charged, however the \$1.00 search fee to ascertain the document number, that subscribers would pay, is not charged in this circumstance.