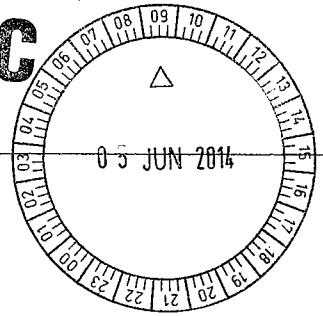




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Dear Ms Moore

Please find attached responses to the Questions Prior to Hearing of the 2014/15 Budget Estimates submitted by a Member of the Legislative Council.

Yours sincerely

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HON ALANNA CLOHESY MLC ASKED –

1. I refer to Budget Paper No 1, Volume 2, “Spending Changes – 2013/14 Voluntary Separation Scheme – Police Staff” at page 369, and ask –
 - a. How many employees successfully applied for voluntary severance? For successful applicants please provide the Committee with a breakdown of their role, whether they were sworn or unsworn officers, their location and age.

Answer:

1. a. – I note the question specifically refers Budget Paper No 1, Volume 2, “Spending Changes – 2013/14 Voluntary Separation Scheme – Police Staff” at page 369.

This spending change relates only to the Police Staff (unsworn) voluntary separations, for which WA Police was allocated funding under the WA Government’s Enhanced Voluntary Severance Scheme (VSS).

Seventeen (17) Police Staff separations were processed. They were from a wide range of support roles within WA Police and ranged in age from 43 to 69.

Although Budget Paper No 1, Volume 2, “Spending Changes – 2013/14 Voluntary Separation Scheme – Police Staff” at page 369 does not relate to Police Officer separations, it is noted your question does refer to ‘sworn officers’.

In November 2013, the Economic and Expenditure Reform Committee (EERC) approved a separate Police Officer (sworn) severance scheme under similar terms and conditions as the VSS. WA Police funded this scheme from within its existing budget allocation.

A total of 190 Police Officers separated as part of this separate severance scheme. They were from a wide range of operational roles within WA Police and ranged in age from 29 to 72.



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1. How many individuals are listed on the Local Search for Dangerous and High Risk Offenders on the Community Protection WA website? On what basis are individuals classified as ‘dangerous and high risk offenders’?

Answer:

2. There are currently 82 individuals on the local search of the Community Protection WA website as at 3 June 2014.

Individuals are classified as dangerous or high risk offenders under section 85G of the *Community Protection (Offender Reporting) Act 2004*, namely:

... the Commissioner may publish a photograph and the locality of a person, other than a person who is a child –

- (a) if the person is subject to a DSO supervision order and that order does not provide that the person’s photograph and locality are not to be published under this section; or*
- (b) if—*
 - (i) the person, after becoming a reportable offender, commits and is found guilty of a prescribed offence; and*
 - (ii) any offence committed by the person, including the prescribed offence, is a Class 1 offence or an offence committed against a child under The Criminal Code section 323 or 324; or*
- (c) if—*
 - (i) the person has been found guilty of an offence punishable by imprisonment for 5 years or more; and*
 - (ii) on application by the Commissioner, that publication is authorised by the Minister on being satisfied that the person poses a risk to the lives or sexual safety of one or more persons, or persons generally.*

