

ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

2014/15 ANNUAL REPORT HEARINGS QUESTIONS PRIOR TO HEARING

Department of Culture and the Arts

Hon Alanna Clohesy asked:

- 1) Who approved the installation of the sprinkler system in Munster Lane, adjacent to the King Street Arts Centre?
Department of Culture and the Arts
- 2) How much did the design and installation of the sprinkler system cost?
The cost for supply and installation of the sprinkler was \$3018.17.
- 3) Is the sprinkler system still in use, if not, when was the last time it was used?
No. The sprinkler was permanently turned off on Tuesday 7 July 2015.
- 4) If the sprinkler system isn't still used, has it been removed?
No. The Department of Culture and the Arts has no plans to incur additional costs to remove the system.
- 5) How has the Department responded to the changes to the Australia Council's funding model?
The Department of Culture and the Arts has met with officials from the Australian Government's Department of Communications and the Arts (formerly Ministry for the Arts) and the Australia Council for the Arts to discuss potential implications of changes to Federal arts funding on Western Australian artists and organisations.

A Meeting of Cultural Ministers was held in Mildura on Friday 2 October 2015, which was attended by WA Minister for Culture and the Arts and the Federal Minister for the Arts.

As stated in the communique from that meeting, "[Ministers] noted the update from the Australia Council and Creative Partnerships Australia, noted the implications of the proposed National Program for Excellence in the Arts for each jurisdiction, expressing particular concern regarding support for small to medium arts organisations, and welcomed the Australian Government Minister's commitment to consider feedback closely and make a decision which provides certainty for the sector in coming weeks."

- 6) How much funding was provided from the Australia Council to the Department of Culture and the Arts in:
 - a. 2012/13

Artist in Residence Program	\$197,000
TOTAL	\$197,000

b. 2013/14	
Artist in Residence Program	\$197,000
Performing Lines Project	\$50,000
TOTAL	\$247,000
c. 2014/15	
Artist in Residence Program	\$290,000
Performing Lines Project	\$50,000
TOTAL	\$340,000

7) What was the total amount of funding provided through the Arts Development, Young People and the Arts, Indigenous Arts, Creative Industries, the Connect community collections program and the Regional Touring Boost grants programs in:

a. 2012/13	
Arts Development	\$1,635,239
Young People and the Arts	\$346,132
Indigenous Arts	\$263,805
Creative Industries	\$621,938
Connect Community Collections	\$123,184
TOTAL	\$2,990,298
b. 2013/14	
Arts Development	\$1,585,957
Young People and the Arts	\$385,496
Indigenous Arts	\$216,755
Creative Industries	\$691,646
Connect Community Collections	\$100,870
TOTAL	\$2,980,724
c. 2014/15	
Arts Development	\$1,581,053
Young People and the Arts	\$361,745
Aboriginal Arts	\$205,797
Creative Industries	\$665,557
Connect Community Collections	\$120,565
Regional Touring Boost	\$323,511
TOTAL	\$3,258,228