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Laid on the Table of the Legislative Assembly on 19 October 2023



## Chair's Foreword

This is the third annual report for the Economics and Industry Standing Committee in the 41st Parliament. Now well into the parliamentary term, the work of the committee during 2022–2023 increased in intensity as we continued the current inquiry into Western Australia's trade and investment relationship with the Republic of Indonesia (the Indonesia inquiry) while also establishing a new inquiry into the WA Domestic Gas Policy.

The Indonesia inquiry was established during the previous reporting period, on 22 June 2022, and in this reporting period we carried out the majority of evidence-gathering activities. This included taking submissions and collecting survey responses, as well as conducting hearings, receiving briefings, attending Indonesia-related events and undertaking investigative travel. Probably most importantly, toward the end of the inquiry, four members of the committee travelled to Indonesia, visiting Jakarta and Surabaya.

We tabled our final report for the Indonesia inquiry on 17 August 2023, which coincided with Indonesian Independence Day. *A long-term partnership: Developing stronger ties with Indonesia* was a comprehensive account of the evidence received and work carried out by the committee throughout the year-long inquiry. It contained a range of recommendations to the WA Government aimed at improving our relationship with Indonesia. I hope that it will serve to encourage a deepening of the current goodwill which we have observed between Indonesia and Western Australia.

Toward the end of the reporting period, we established a new inquiry into the WA Domestic Gas Policy. This inquiry arises from approaches made to the committee regarding concerns about the efficacy of the policy as Western Australia considers how its future energy needs will be met. Terms of reference were announced on 26 June 2023. Work is well underway and the committee appreciates the strong level of interest and engagement already shown by gas suppliers, users and government entities.

I would like to thank my fellow committee members for their diligent work during this busy period: Deputy Chair, Merome Beard MLA, and the current members of the committee Mr David Scaife MLA, Ms Emily Hamilton MLA, and Ms Ali Kent MLA.

I also thank former committee members Dr Jags Krishnan MLA (until 21 February 2023) and the former Deputy Chair, Mr Vince Catania MLA (until 8 August 2022).

In closing, I recognise the hard work of the committee secretariat under the leadership of Ms Vanessa Beckingham, the Principal Research Officer, and Ms Franchesca Walker, who recently joined us as Research Officer. We welcome Franchesca to the team.

I also acknowledge the dedication of Dr Alessandro Silvestri who worked with the committee as the Research Officer for most of the reporting period, until 2 June 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P.C. Tinley', with a stylized flourish at the end.

HON P.C. TINLEY, MLA  
CHAIR

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# Chapter 1

## Committee Activities

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### Introduction

- 1.1 This report summarises the activities and expenditure of the Economics and Industry Standing Committee (the committee) between 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023 (the reporting period).

### Summary of activities

- 1.2 During the course of this reporting period, the committee:
- conducted 2 inquiries:
    - inquiry into Western Australia’s bilateral trade relationship with the Republic of Indonesia (Indonesia inquiry), established by a resolution of the committee in the previous reporting period
    - inquiry into the WA Domestic Gas Policy, established by a resolution of the committee on 21 June 2023
  - tabled one report: Report 4 – *Annual Report 2021–2022* (tabled 20 November 2022)
  - conducted 6 public hearings relating to the Indonesia inquiry, taking evidence from 10 witnesses
  - held 15 deliberative meetings
  - was briefed by stakeholders on 23 separate occasions
  - travelled 3 times to gather evidence for the Indonesia inquiry.

**Table 1.1: Summary of the activities of the committee, 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023**

Description	Activity
Briefings	23*
Deliberative meetings	15
Formal evidence hearings (public and closed)	8
Witnesses appearing at all hearings	16
Reports tabled	1

\*this number is the total number of meetings, some of which included more than one organisation providing evidence

### Portfolios

- 1.3 The committee’s functions are set out in Standing Order 287 of the Legislative Assembly Standing Orders. A committee function is to review and report to the Legislative Assembly on matters within its portfolio responsibilities. The portfolio responsibilities of this committee in the 41st Parliament were tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 5 May 2021.

1.4 The committee is currently responsible for the following 24 areas:

- State Development
- Jobs and Trade
- Fisheries
- Lands
- Transport
- Science
- Racing and Gaming
- Energy
- Heritage
- Forestry
- Water
- Mines and Petroleum
- Regional Development
- Tourism
- Commerce
- Industrial Relations
- Small Business
- Housing
- Planning
- Agriculture and Food
- Innovation and ICT
- Hydrogen Industry
- Ports
- Defence Industry

### Public Hearings

1.5 Pursuant to Assembly Standing Order 264, the committee has power to send for persons, papers and records. During the period 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023, the committee conducted 6 public hearings, taking evidence from 10 witnesses to assist with its investigations (see Table 1.2).

**Table 1.2: Public hearings of the committee, 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023**

Date	Witness	Position	Organisation
21 September 2022 [transcript not published, on resolution of the committee]	Mrs Listiana Operananta	Consul-General	Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia (Perth)
	Ms Widya Fitri	Vice Consul	
	Mr Nanda Avalist	Consul for Economy	
23 November 2022	Ms Larissa Taylor	WA Chair	Australia Indonesia Business Council
	Mr Jonathan Gilbert	Director, Indonesia Economic and Trade Section	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
	Mr Richard Emerson-Elliott	Assistant Secretary, Free Trade Agreements Goods Branch	
30 November 2022	Mr Robbie Gaspar	President	Indonesia Institute
	Ms Victoria Green	Executive Corporate Affairs	City of Cockburn
	Mr Michael Faulkner	Manager Economic Development and Business Management	
6 December 2022	Mr Leigh Howard	Chief Executive Officer	AsiaLink Business

1.6 In addition to the public hearings listed in Table 1.2, the committee also conducted 2 closed hearings during the reporting period.

## Briefings

- 1.7 In addition to the formal hearings, the committee held a number of briefings. These were held at the Western Australian Parliament and also at various locations whilst conducting investigative travel in relation to the Indonesia inquiry (see following section).
- 1.8 Most briefings were used to gain information in relation to the committee's Indonesia inquiry (see Table 1.3). One private briefing was conducted on 14 June 2023 to assist in scoping terms of reference for the inquiry into the WA Domestic Gas Policy.

**Table 1.3: Briefings provided to the committee, 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023**

Date	Name	Position	Organisation
31 August 2022	Mr Chris Barnes	Director, Trade Policy and International Relations	Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
31 January 2023 <b>Melbourne</b>	Ms Martine Letts	Chief Executive Officer	Asialink Group
	Mr Leigh Howard	Chief Executive Officer	Asialink Business
	Mr Robert Law	Director , Advisory and Insights	
	Ms Emily Barr	Associate Director, Stakeholder Engagement	
	Professor Frank Vetere	Deputy Dean, Engagement	Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology, University of Melbourne
	Professor Vedi Hadiz	Director, Asia Institute	
	Professor Andrew Rosser	Professor, Southeast Asian Studies	
	Ms Julie Fam	Senior Partnerships Advisor	
	Ms Sara Sahely	Director, Global Engagement	Global Victoria
	Ms Ema Lawrence	Deputy Director, Global Engagement	
	Ms Laura Burke	Regional Manager, Southeast Asia	
	Ms Violeta Krstic	Advisor	
2 February 2023 <b>Canberra</b>	His Excellency Dr Siswo Pramono	Ambassador of Indonesia	Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia (Australia)*
3 February 2023 <b>Canberra</b>	Mr Ken Gordon	Senior Trade Advisor	Office of the Senator the Hon Don Farrell, Minister for Trade and Tourism
	Mr Richard Brooks	Senior Advisor	
	Mr Andrew Hutchinson	General Manager, Critical Minerals Office	Department of Industry, Science and Resources and Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade*
	Ms Jessica Williams	Assistant Manager, Trade Policy	

Date	Name	Position	Organisation
	Ms Sally Deane	Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner for Indonesia	Austrade
	Mr Damian White	Head of Policy	
	Ms Alexandra Borthwick	Senior Advisor	
	Mr Kevin Hoang	Advisor	
29 March 2023	Mr Daniel Batey	Director	Indonesia Institute
	Mr Hendro Fujiono	Director	
1 May 2023 Jakarta, Indonesia	Mr Bernardino Vega	Vice Chairman	Indonesian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KADIN)
	Mr George Iwan Marantika	National President	Indonesia Australia Business Council (IABC)
2 May 2023 Jakarta, Indonesia	Ms Christine Groeger	First Secretary, Australian Embassy, Jakarta	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
	Ms Sally Deane	Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner for Indonesia	Austrade
	Mr Stephen Scott	Minister & Deputy Head of Mission	Australian Embassy Jakarta
	Mr Rod Commerford	Trade and Investment Commissioner Jakarta	Austrade
	Ms Diyas Herrianti	Director	Government of Western Australia Trade and Investment Office in Jakarta
	Ms Candini Candanila	Business Development Manager	
	Mr Sandy Yudhistira	Education Business Development Manager	
Ms Donna Rudiane	Office Manager		
3 May 2023 Jakarta, Indonesia	Mr Dany Amrul Ichdan	Vice President Director	Mining Industry Indonesia (MIND ID)*
	Ms Ratih Dewihandajani Amri	SVP, Indonesia Mining & Minerals Research Institute (IMMRI)	
	Mr Garry Johnson	Chief Executive Officer	Steel Blue*
	Dr Nugroho Adi Sasongko	Director	National Research and Innovation Agency of the Republic of Indonesia (BRIN)*
4 May 2023 Surabaya, Indonesia	Ms Fiona Hoggart	Consul-General, Surabaya	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
	Ms Lauren Adams	Trade and Investment Commissioner, Surabaya	Austrade

Date	Name	Position	Organisation
	Mr Randy Nangoy	Director	PT. Caterlindo / Simply Stainless
	Ms Lita Hudianto	Sales Deputy Director	PT. Steel Pipe Industry of Indonesia
	Mr Peter Sheehan	Investment Manager	InvestOz
	Mr Azrul Ananda	President	Persebaya Surabaya*
5 May 2023 Surabaya, Indonesia	Dr Didik Chusnul Yakin	Head of Bureau of Government and Regional Autonomy	East Java Provincial Government*
	Dr Evi Eliyanah	Associate Professor and Director, Office of International Affairs (OIA)	Universitas Negeri Malang (UM)*
	K.R.A.T. David Santoso K.R.	Chief Executive Officer	Singhasari Special Economic Zone*
24 May 2023	His Excellency Dr Siswo Pramono	Ambassador of Indonesia	Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia (Australia)
	Mr George Iwan Marantika	National President	Indonesia-Australia Business Council
	Mrs Listiana Operananta	Consul-General	Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia (Perth)
	Mr Saribua Siahaan	Director of Investment Promotion for Southeast Asia, Australia, New Zealand and Pacific	Ministry of Investment

\*other attendees were present at the meeting in addition to the name/s listed here. The names listed are the lead representatives of each organisation present at the meeting.

## Investigative Travel

1.9 During the reporting period the committee travelled to Darwin, Melbourne, Canberra and Indonesia to gather evidence to inform the Indonesia inquiry (see Table 1.4).

**Table 1.4: Summary of committee travel, 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023\***

Date	Description	Attendees	Cost
November 2022	Indonesia inquiry (Australia Indonesia Business Council Annual Conference) Darwin, Australia	2 committee members, 2 staff members	\$ 13,765.42
February 2023	Indonesia inquiry Melbourne and Canberra, Australia	4 committee members, 2 staff members	\$ 41,708.83
May 2023	Indonesia inquiry Jakarta and Surabaya, Indonesia	4 committee members, 2 staff members	\$ 52,642.29

\*these expenses are also included in the costings in Table 2.1

## **Darwin 2022**

- 1.10 In November 2022 the some of the committee members travelled to Darwin, Northern Territory to attend the Australia Indonesia Business Council (AIBC) annual conference. This is discussed below under ‘Conferences’.

## **Melbourne and Canberra 2023**

- 1.11 In February 2023 the committee travelled to Melbourne (Victoria) and Canberra (ACT), meeting with key stakeholders to gather evidence to inform its report on the Indonesia inquiry. Stakeholder briefings are listed in Table 1.3.
- 1.12 As a part of this investigative travel, the committee was honoured to be invited to the Indonesian Embassy in Canberra, where members and staff were hosted by the Ambassador in Australia, His Excellency Dr Siswo Pramono. His Excellency provided the committee with valuable insights from an Indonesian government perspective on matters which were being considered by the committee as part of the inquiry. This included discussions about Western Australian-provided education and training in Indonesia; Indonesian students in Australia; tourism; the potential for collaboration on technology and knowledge sharing; and generally improving people-to-people connections and mutual respect between our countries.

## **Indonesia 2023**

- 1.13 In May 2023 the committee travelled to Indonesia, visiting Jakarta and Surabaya. This trip constituted the final evidence-gathering travel in relation to the committee’s Indonesia inquiry. The intention was to test the inquiry findings by meeting with Indonesian stakeholders ‘in market’ and seeing firsthand how Western Australia is represented by state government officials based there.
- 1.14 Meeting with Indonesian stakeholders communicated an important message about Western Australia’s commitment to its relationship with Indonesia. The committee learnt through its inquiries that Indonesians value in-person connection and efforts made to maintain and nurture a network. Evidence received as part of the inquiry emphasised that being ‘on the ground’ is one of the most important aspects of developing any trade and investment relationship (which also makes sense for any inquiry into that relationship).
- 1.15 In Jakarta, the committee met with Commonwealth officials located at the Australian embassy, including officers from Austrade and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Officials briefed the committee about issues relating to Australia’s long-standing and important bilateral relationship with Indonesia. Similarly, in Surabaya, the committee met with the Australian Consul-General and Trade and Investment Commissioner located in East Java.
- 1.16 The committee also visited the Western Australian trade and investment office in Jakarta, which supports West Australian businesses seeking trade and investment opportunities in Indonesia, and Indonesian businesses looking to trade with and invest in Western Australia. This office was a key stakeholder in the Indonesia inquiry and plays an integral role in the state’s bilateral trade and investment relationship with Indonesia.

- 1.17 The committee toured the Steel Blue/Osaga Mas Utama factory in Jakarta which is co-owned and operated by 2 Australian and Indonesian families. This long-standing operation exemplifies a successful example of a cross-cultural business partnership. The committee heard about some of the opportunities and challenges encountered by the business over the years.
- 1.18 In Jakarta the committee also met with officials from the Indonesian government department responsible for management of Indonesian mining industries and the marketing of mining products (MIND ID).
- 1.19 In both Jakarta and Surabaya, the committee met with representatives of the Indonesia Australia Business Council and the Indonesian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KADIN). Representatives in the respective locations offered insights relevant to their particular location.
- 1.20 In Surabaya, a key meeting was held with representatives from the Provincial Government of East Java. The committee heard how the state's relationship with Indonesia has been broadened and deepened through our long-standing sister-state relationship with East Java (established in 1990). Members also heard about ways in which the East Javanese would like to strengthen and build the relationship.
- 1.21 These meetings provide only a sample of the full range of activities undertaken by the committee in Indonesia. A full list of the meetings held in Indonesia are listed in Table 1.3

## Conferences

### Net Zero Emission Mining WA Conference 2022

- 1.22 On 1–2 September 2022, committee member Dr Jags Krishnan MLA attended the Net Zero Emission Mining WA Conference in Perth. The conference focused on matters relating to decarbonisation and the Western Australia resources sector, including planning and designing net zero mines; energy optimisation; new and emerging technologies; low carbon products and markets; and collaboration.
- 1.23 Dr Krishnan reported back to the committee about areas of interest for current and potential future inquiries. His attendance also supported the committee's engagement with stakeholders working in industries that fall within the committee's portfolio responsibilities.

### Indonesia Connect 2022

- 1.24 On 21 October 2022, committee member David Scaife MLA and the committee secretariat attended Indonesia Connect, an event hosted by the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation in collaboration with the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia Perth, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Austrade, AIBC, Perth USAsia Centre and Chamber of Commerce and Industry WA.
- 1.25 The event was held to deepen relations between Western Australia and Indonesia by providing a platform for discussions about trade and investment opportunities. It included virtual and in-person presentations. Attendees had the opportunity to attend break-out

sessions focused on skills for the future, advanced technology trends and supply chain resilience.

### **Australia Indonesia Business Council Conference 2022**

- 1.26 On 2–4 November 2022, committee members David Scaife MLA and Emily Hamilton MLA attended the annual AIBC Conference in Darwin. Along with other attendees, the members heard from keynote speakers such as the Hon Don Farrell, Australian Minister for Trade and Tourism, Mr Indra Darmawan, Deputy Minister for Investment Planning (Indonesia), and M. Arsjad Rasjid P.M., KADIN Chairman.
- 1.27 Attendees participated in break-out sessions on infrastructure, health and aged care, the future of work, the digital economy, agriculture and food, and tourism. The information shared during Indonesia Connect and the AIBC Conference informed drafting of the committee’s report for its Indonesia inquiry.
- 1.28 Attendees met a range of stakeholders who are active within the Australia-Indonesia network and business community, providing a forum for further discussions on issues relevant to the committee’s inquiry. This forum presented a good opportunity for making West Australian businesses who are either active in, or looking to, trade with Indonesia, aware of the online survey which the committee was undertaking as part of its evidence gathering for the inquiry.
- 1.29 Attending this conference was a valuable exercise in relation to the Indonesia inquiry, yielding useful contacts, information and ideas for stakeholder engagement.

### **Work in progress during 2022–2023**

#### **Inquiry into Western Australia’s bilateral trade relationship with the Republic of Indonesia**

- 1.30 The Indonesia inquiry was established during the previous reporting period, on 22 June 2022 (for more detail on the establishment of this inquiry see the committee’s Report 4—*Annual Report 2021–2022*—tabled 20 November 2022).
- 1.31 The committee continued its work on the inquiry for the duration of the 2022–2023 reporting period. As detailed in the sections above, as part of this work the committee received submissions and survey responses, as well as conducting hearings, receiving briefings and undertaking investigative travel.
- 1.32 On 7 December 2022 committee member David Scaife MLA and the committee secretariat attended the inaugural Indonesian Digital Exchange Forum hosted by the City of Cockburn. Businesses, government agencies and service support agencies from WA, Indonesia and Singapore participated, including guest speakers who attended via live stream from Indonesia. Discussions covered the blue economy and defence, health and medical areas, education and vocational training, digital and cyber security, and agribusiness.
- 1.33 On 9 March 2023 the Committee Chair, the Hon Peter Tinley AM, represented the committee at an event hosted by the AIBC, which constituted the first event of an Australian



roadshow for the Australian Ambassador to Indonesia, Her Excellency Ms Penny Williams PSM, and the Austrade Trade and Investment Commissioner to Indonesia, Mr Rod Commerford. Attendees included representatives from mining equipment, technology and services (METS), resources, environmental engineering, logistics and lithium companies, as well as many individuals and organisations active in the Indonesia space. This presented another opportunity for the committee to gain insight into the issues currently impacting the state's relationship with Indonesia.

- 1.34 Importantly, towards the end of the evidence-gathering phase of the inquiry, the committee travelled to Indonesia to see first-hand how the evidence received could be observed in-country (see 'Investigative Travel').
- 1.35 Following its return from Indonesia, on 10 May 2023 the Chair of the committee wrote to the Speaker advising that the committee had resolved to change its tabling date from 30 June 2023 to 17 August 2023. Amongst other things, 17 August was thought to be an auspicious date to table as it is when Indonesians celebrate their independence from colonial rule.
- 1.36 What was clear from the outset of the inquiry is the increasing importance of Western Australia's relationship with Indonesia. Indonesia is Western Australia's closest international neighbour and a familiar travel destination. Despite this, the bilateral trade relationship is not particularly large in terms of dollar value or volume, especially when compared to our largest export markets in Northeast Asia. Reasons for this include the fact that Western Australia and Indonesia produce similar exports, differences in the way of doing business and barriers to trade. As Indonesia is poised to become the world's fourth largest economy by 2050, Western Australia must be better positioned to maintain and forge new networks with its rapidly growing neighbour.
- 1.37 In the course of the inquiry, the committee saw that Western Australia and Indonesia already have the structure of a relationship in place. The committee observed some very passionate organisations and individuals who are working to build on these connections. These connections need to be stronger and more widespread. If people-to-people links can be facilitated through the improvement of our understanding of Indonesian culture and language, and if more Indonesians can be encouraged to visit the state for education, work, leisure or business, then we can build the bilateral relationship to the benefit of both Western Australia and Indonesia.
- 1.38 Furthermore, the committee has been made aware that Western Australia should cooperate with Indonesia to assist its economic development and provide Indonesians with critically-needed services. For example, there are opportunities to collaborate with Indonesia in helping to address its education and training needs, and partnerships under the existing sister-state agreement with East Java are a good place to start.
- 1.39 Of particular interest to the committee was learning how the critical minerals sector offers Western Australia and Indonesia opportunities to increase their mutually beneficial collaboration, particularly in relation to the manufacturing of batteries and electric vehicles.

- 1.40 The committee finalised its work on the Indonesia inquiry and tabled the final report on 17 August 2023. Given that this date falls within the 2023–2024 reporting period, further information about the committee’s findings and recommendations will be included in next year’s annual report.

### **Inquiry into the WA Domestic Gas Policy**

- 1.41 During the first half of 2023 the committee received several formal and informal approaches about the WA Domestic Gas Policy. This included a letter from the (former) Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade, the Hon Roger Cook MLA, requesting that the committee consider inquiring into the administration of the policy and any constraints or barriers to additional gas supplies into the WA market. The committee carefully considered the approaches made to it and upon further scoping and deliberation resolved to inquire into the matter.
- 1.42 The inquiry into the WA Domestic Gas Policy was established by a resolution of the committee on 21 June 2023. The Legislative Assembly was subsequently advised of the following terms of reference by way of letter to the Speaker on 26 June 2023.

#### **Inquiry into the WA Domestic Gas Policy– terms of reference**

The Economics and Industry Standing Committee has resolved to conduct an inquiry into matters relating to the WA Domestic Gas Policy. In particular, the inquiry will consider:

1. The adequacy of mechanisms to ensure:
  - a. Timely delivery of gas into the domestic market.
  - b. Transparency of supply and prices of gas available to the domestic market.
2. The state government’s role in ensuring adequate availability of domestic gas into the future, particularly over the short to medium term.
3. The findings and recommendations of the 2011 *Inquiry into Domestic Gas Prices*, prepared by the previous Economics and Industry Standing Committee (2008–2013), to the extent that they are relevant to the current inquiry’s terms of reference 1 and 2.

- 1.44 As at 30 June 2023, the inquiry was in early stages. The committee had identified a range of key stakeholders from which it subsequently requested submissions addressing the inquiry’s terms of reference.
- 1.45 For the remainder of 2023, the committee plans to conduct hearings with identified stakeholders and consider in detail any submitted information.

## Chapter 2

### Financial Statement

- 2.1 The committee does not have its own formal budget and is funded out of the budget of the Legislative Assembly. Approval for major expenditures is required on a case-by-case basis and is entirely at the discretion of the Speaker.
- 2.2 The committee's total expenditure for the financial year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (in accordance with Standing Order 276) is captured below in Table 2.1. These amounts include the costs incurred by the investigative travel undertaken during the reporting period, which is detailed in the previous chapter.

**Table 2.1: Expenditure items of the Committee, 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023**

Expenditure Item	Amount (\$)
Advertising	\$ 3,500
Conferences - Committees	\$ 4,700
Meal Entertainment - Clients	\$ 500
Meal Entertainment - Employees/Assoc.	\$ 300
Protocol - Gifts & Other - Clients	\$ 800
Staff/Member Amenities	\$ 200
Travel - Members - Accommodation	\$ 11,800
Travel - Assembly Staff - Allowances	\$ 400
Travel - Committee Members - Allowances	\$ 800
Travel - Committee Members - Fares	\$ 48,200
Travel - Committee Members - Other Expenses	\$ 4,200
Travel - Committee Members - Taxis/Hire	\$ 2,000
Travel - Staff - Metro	\$ 100
Travel - Staff - Non Metro Accommodation	\$ 7,100
Travel - Staff - Non Metro Fares	\$ 24,700
Travel - Staff - Non Metro Other	\$ 2,500
Travel - Staff - Non Metro Taxis	\$ 1,200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 113,000</b>

2.3 Notes:

- Figures rounded off to nearest \$100.
- Salaries of committee staff are not included.
- Costs of shared administrative expenses, including lease costs for committee accommodation, not included.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "P.C. Tinley". The signature is stylized and cursive, with the first name "P.C." and the last name "Tinley" clearly visible.

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