

DEPARTMENT OF THE PREMIER AND CABINET — GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT USE

404. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to chartered aircraft leased by the Department of Premier and Cabinet for the transportation of Ministers and other office holders, and I ask:

- (a) which officeholders have access to the departmental aircraft;
- (b) what policy or guidelines apply to the use of departmental aircraft;
- (c) for each month from March to September 2017 inclusive, please provide:
 - (i) a summary of each trip undertaken including destinations visited, dates, and passengers on each flight segment;
 - (ii) the name of the principle requester of the flight; and
 - (iii) the cost of each separate aircraft itinerary as identified in (i);
- (d) has any other aircraft been chartered by the department outside of the contract which is in place and referred to above; and
- (e) if yes to (d), please provide details of each occasion including passengers, destinations visited, and cost?

Hon Sue Ellery replied:

- (a) The Premier and Ministers may charter the government aircraft for official business.
- (b) [See tabled paper no 947.]
- (c) (i)–(ii) [See tabled paper no 947.]
- (iii) All costs associated with travelling on the Government Aircraft are covered under the primary contract and are not able to be attributed to a single booking.
- (d) Yes.
- (e)

Minister	Date	Destination	Passengers	Cost
Papalia	22.07.17	Fitzroy Crossing–Kununurra	Hon P Papalia MLA Mr T Fraser Ms A Banner Ms E Roebuck	\$33,825.00 inc. GST
		Kununurra–Perth	Hon P Papalia MLA Mr T Fraser Ms A Banner Ms E Roebuck	
<p>Note: Minister Papalia’s charter flight of 22 July 2017 was due to a government aircraft breakdown while the Minister was in Fitzroy Crossing. To enable the Minister to complete his itinerary an aircraft was chartered at short notice. This situation can be compared to an aircraft breakdown in Halls Creek on 5 February 2015 whereby a flight was chartered for former Minister, Hon Helen Morton MLC costing \$23,999.73.</p>				
Dawson	20.09.17	Broome–Lombadina Lombadina–Broome	Hon S Dawson MLC Hon A MacTiernan MLC Ms L Holding Mr D Forster Ms S Court Mr L O’Connell	\$3,220.00 inc. GST