

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY DIVERSION PROGRAM

515. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the Budget allocation for the Intellectual Disability Program and I ask, how much funding is allocated to this program in 2017–18, and for each of the years in the Forward Estimates: 2018–19, 2019–20 and 2020–21?

Hon Sue Ellery replied:

The Intellectual Disability Diversion Program (IDDP) is a joint initiative by the Department of Justice and the Department of Community Services to reduce recidivism, the rate of imprisonment and to improve the ways in which the justice system deals with people with intellectual disability. The program currently operates at the Magistrates Court in Central Law Courts (501 Hay Street, Perth WA 6000).

The Department of Justice has allocated the following amounts for the IDDP:

	2017–18	2018–19	2019–20	2020–21
Employee benefits (See Notes below)	241,640	244,460	247,460	250,460

Notes

Employee benefits covers remuneration of 2.5 FTEs comprising of a team leader (0.5FTE), a Senior Communities Correction Officer and a support Officer.

Clerical and administrative support provided from within current Adult Community Corrections operations.

The Court's allocation is not separately quantified as the IDDP resources form part of the overall budget for operations of the Magistrates Court. However it is estimated that the Court's investment IDDP includes 20% of a Magistrate's time and 20% of a Judicial Support Officer (Level 2).