

JUVENILE DETAINEES — TRANSPORT

766. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Corrective Services:

Can the Minister advise for the years 2009–2010, 2010–2011, 2011–2012 and 2012–2013 (to date), for the juvenile populations of Banskia Hill and Rangeview detention centres, the following:

- (a) the number of juveniles transported from the Kimberly region to:
 - (i) Banskia Hill; and
 - (ii) Rangeview;
- (b) the modes of transport deployed;
- (c) the average cost of transport for each of the modes of transport outlined in (b) from the Kimberly to:
 - (i) Banskia Hill; and
 - (ii) Rangeview;
- (d) the average length of stay in:
 - (i) Banskia Hill; and
 - (ii) Rangeview; and
- (e) the average cost of stay in:
 - (i) Banskia Hill; and
 - (ii) Rangeview?

Mr J.M. Francis replied:

In November 2010, the Department of Corrective Services (the Department) commenced a pilot trial for the transportation of young people from regional areas. Due to the success of the pilot, the Department took over formal responsibility from Western Australia Police for the service in November 2011. Subsequently, the Department can only provide data from this period onwards.

Further, all young people were transported to Rangeview Remand Centre (RRC) from November 2010 to October 2012 in which month the amalgamation of Banskia Hill Detention Centre (BHDC) was finalised.

- (a) (i) 1 November 2010 to 30 June 2011: Nil
2011/12: Nil
2012/13: 100 (Please note that young people were not transferred to BHDC directly prior to 12 October 2012 when the amalgamation was completed.)
- (ii) 1 November 2010 to 30 June 2011: 147
2011/12: 185
2012/13: 42
- (b) The Department advises that young people from the Kimberley region are transported by aircraft via domestic or charter flights.
- (c) The Department advises that cost of transportation did not differentiate between RRC and BHDC. Young people are flown to respective airports and then transported to youth detention centres by vehicle. Subsequently the Department has provided total costs per financial year below.
 - (i) 1 November 2010 to 30 June 2011: \$519,471
2011/2012: \$662,870
1 July 2012 to 24 June 2013: \$667,774 (Please note that young people were not transferred to BHDC directly prior to 12 October 2013 when the amalgamation was completed).
- (d) (i)–(ii) Average Days in Facility per Detention Stay

	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/12	1/7/12–15/6/13
BHDC	75.26	76.49	84.06	24.32
RRC	10.12	11.5	12.41	10.31*
HJDC**	46.36***			

- It is noted that young people were moved from RRC to BHDC on 12 October 2012.
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*** It is noted that young people were moved from BHDC to HJDC on 20 January 2013 following the disturbance at BHDC.

The Department advises that the average stays in BHDC are higher than those in RRC as BHDC initially catered, for sentenced detainees only. Only Remand and Arrest status detainees were held in RRC. Sentenced periods are much longer than Remand periods; Arrest periods are very short, often less than 24 hours. Therefore the average stay length in BHDC is higher than that in RRC.

During the period 1 July 2012 to 15 June 2013, Remand and Arrest detainees were moved to BHDC. That reduced the average stay lengths in BHDC as compared with previous years.

- (e) The Department advises that for part e (i-ii), costs below have been based on direct site costs for the below responses and exclude:

- Departmental executive services;
- Maintenance;
- Corporate costs (e.g. depreciation and amortisation expenses);
- Health services;
- Education services;
- Program services; and
- Juvenile transport.

No information has been provided for year to date 2012-13 as due to the closure of RRC as a detention centre in November 2012 and the incident at BHDC in January 2013 some costs at present are not accurately reflected against the correct site.

- (i) Banksia Hill
2009-10 - \$23k
2010-11 - \$24k
2011-12 - \$27k
- (ii) Rangeview
2009-10 - \$3k
2010-11 - \$4k
2011-12 - \$4k

Higher costs at BHDC are due to longer periods of detention for sentenced offenders.