

YOUTH DETENTION — SUICIDE AND SELF-HARM ATTEMPTS

214. Hon Dr BRAD PETTITT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Corrective Services:

I refer to youth detention. Will the minister please provide the number of suicide and self-harm attempts for February 2023 and March 2023, to date, at Banksia Hill Detention Centre and Unit 18, respectively?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I answer on behalf of the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Corrective Services. I thank the member for some notice of the question.

The answer has been provided in a tabular form. I seek leave to have the response incorporated into *Hansard*.

[Leave granted for the following material to be incorporated.]

Table 1. Distinct Self-Harm and Attempted Suicide instances between 1 February and 13 March 2023, by Month and Facility

Facility	February 2023			March 2023		
	Attempted Suicide	Self-Harm – Serious	Self-Harm – Minor	Attempted Suicide	Self-Harm – Serious	Self-Harm – Minor
Banksia Hill	1	0	15	0	0	5
Unit 18	0	1	18	0	0	6

Definitions and Terminology

Term	Definition
Attempted Suicide	An act where the circumstances indicate the intent of the act was to take their own life through: a) self-inflicted injury; or b) self-asphyxiation or hanging; or c) intentional self-poisoning (including drug overdose); or d) other intentional acts intended to take one's own life.
Self-Harm – Minor	An act of self-harm that does not require overnight hospitalisation, overnight care at a facility medical centre/infirmary or ongoing medical treatment or any other act of self-harm that does not result in injury.
Self-Harm – Serious	An act of self-harm that requires either overnight hospitalisation in a medical facility (including facility clinic/infirmary), or ongoing medical treatment.