

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

ANSWERS TO ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

Department of Fire and Emergency Services

Hon Martin Aldridge MLC asked:

4. I refer to question 5(d) in questions answered prior to hearings, and I ask: Why is there a spike in funding for the 2023-24 year?

Answer:

As demonstrated in the table below, salary costs progressively increase as the additional 36 firefighters are incrementally employed up to the end of the 2023-24 year.

Expenditure in 2022-23 and 2023-24 also includes one-off costs relating to recruitment and training. As all firefighters are due to be recruited by the end of 2023-24, this expenditure is not required in 2024-25.

	2022-23 ('000)	2023-24 ('000)	2024-25 ('000)
EXPENSES			
Employee Expenses			
Trainee Firefighters	2,603	4,135	4,336
Additional FF School Instructors	216	218	0
Additional FF School Support Staff	388	391	0
GROH Country housing subsidy	208	315	318
Professional Services:			
Project and Change Management	164	166	0
Relocation Cost	131	132	0
Consumables and Other:			
ICT Minor equipment	2	2	2
Personal Protective Clothing and Equipment	9	9	10
Depreciation Kalgoorlie Fire Station Extension	39	39	39
Hire Charges & Overheads (FF School)	161	163	0
Consumables (FF School)	338	343	0
Contingency	132	150	49
Total	4,391	6,064	4,754

Minister's initials

