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ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

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Disability Services Commission

Supplementary Information No A1: Hon Sue Ellery asked for a list of the forprofit organisations that the Commission funds.

Answer:

The following disability sector organisations funded by the Disability Services Commission are not incorporated under the Corporations Act and, as such. Are referred to as 'for profit' organisations. All of these organisations are required to operate within the Commission's business rules framework.

BGSR
My Place
ISAAD WA Pty Ltd
Kids Biz
Lifestyle Solutions
Life Without Barriers
Teem Treasure
Transition and Integration Services
We Can
Wize Therapy

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Disability Services Commission

Supplementary Information No A2: Hon Sue Ellery asked for a list of the housing projects expected to become operational in 2010-11 and of those still on the drawing board.

Answer:

Housing projects anticipated to become operational in 2010-11

Project	Disability Sector Organisation	Estimated number of residents	Estimated completion
Gosnells	Autism Association	6	February 2011
Willagee	Activ Foundation	3	March 2011
Chidlow	Disability Services	1	April 2011
	Commission		
Willagee	To be determined	5	April 2011
Belmont	Brightwater Care Group	5	April 2011
Cloverdale	i.d.entity.wa	5	April 2011
Maddington	BGSR	5	June 2011
Bassendean	Nulsen	12	June 2011

Housing projects anticipated to become operational in 2011-12

Project	Disability Sector Organisation	Estimated number of	Estimated completion
Morley	Disability Services	residents 9	August 2011
Moriey	Commission	9	August 2011
Medina	Mosaic Community Care	5	October 2011
Warnbro	Mosaic Community Care	5	October 2011
Medina	Senses Foundation	5	October 2011
Gosnells	Senses Foundation	5	November 2011
Wannanup	Peel Community Living	8	November 2011
Mosman Park	Rocky Bay	16	December 2011

The timelines identified above are estimated completion times.

Supplementary Information No A2:

Answer (cont):

Housing projects on the drawing board

Project	Disability Sector Organisation	Estimated number of residents
Thornlie	BGSR	4
Hamilton Hill	Autism Association	3
Swanview	Nulsen	5
Wilson	Nulsen	5
Bassendean	Hills Community Support Group	5
Ashfield	Crosslinks	5
Bayswater	Teem Treasure	4
Stratton	Hills Community Support Group	10
Swanview	Senses Foundation	5
Willagee	Perth Home Care Services	5
Joondanna	The Centre For Cerebral Palsy	To be determined
Belmont	The Centre For Cerebral Palsy	To be determined
Morley	The Centre For Cerebral Palsy	To be determined
Kewdale	The Centre For Cerebral Palsy	To be determined
Eden Hill	To be determined	10
North Central	Teem Treasure	To be determined
Joondalup	Senses Foundation	4
Samson	Nulsen	5
Eastern Suburbs	Disability Services Commission	To be determined
Northern	Transition Integration Services	To be determined
Suburbs		
Glendalough	Activ Foundation	5
Mirrabooka	To be determined	5
Mandurah	Disability Services Commission	7
Eden Hill	Activ Foundation	4
Viveah	We Can Community Services	6
Bassendean	WA Baptist & Homes Trust Inc	4
Wilson	Disability Services Commission	5
Greenwood	Unitingcare West	5
Midland	Hills Community Support Group	4
Edgewater	Life Without Barriers	5
Morley	Hills Community Support Group	5

The areas identified above are indicative with land purchase and design yet to be finalised.

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Supplementary Information No A3: Hon Sue Ellery asked that the Commission quantify its investment in workforce training.

Answer: \$3,440,000 in direct investment. It excludes the cost of salaries paid while the workforce attends training.

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Disability Services Commission

Supplementary Information No A4: Hon Sue Ellery asked that, in terms of people the Commission has in its residential facilities, what is the bed capacity and what is the bed occupancy rate?

Hon Sue Ellery also requested the bed capacity of the NGOs that the Commission funds and their vacancy rate.

Answer:

On 10 September 2010 the Commission's Accommodation Services Directorate supported 527 in people with disability in long term accommodation and has 2 beds available for occupancy.

Commission funded disability sector organisation's can accommodate 2,407 people with disability. There were 11 vacancies on the snapshot day.

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Disability Services Commission

Supplementary Information No A5: Hon Sue Ellery asked, with reference to the numbers on page 467 under new works in the Commission's asset investment program, for a list of the projects in the community disability housing program, group homes asset replacement program, the hostels redevelopment program and the renovation program on which money will be spent in 2010-11.

Answer:

Community Disability Housing Program - \$935k

The Department of Housing (Housing) provides the Commission with homes for its clients that are built to a given standard. Where modifications or additions are required that fall outside Housing guidelines/standards, the Commission is required to reimburse Housing for additional costs incurred.

Generally, these modifications or additions address Occupational Safety and Health and National Disability Standard deficiencies, and include items such as air conditioning, widening of doorways/corridors, security, non standard durable floor coverings, extensions and refurbishments.

Works scheduled for 2010/11 include: 88 Cooper Street, Mandurah (new group home); 116 Drummond Street, Bedford (new group home); 34 Hillview Terrace, East Victoria Park (new group home); 12 Kenton Way, Callista (new group home); Various kitchen and bathroom refurbishments; and Four group home extensions.

Group Homes Asset Replacement Program - \$175k

The Department of Housing provides housing for Commission clients (approx 120 premises) in accordance with a lease agreement. Under this agreement the Commission is responsible for funding the replacement of non-structural items at existing group homes e.g. hot water systems, stoves, white goods, air conditioning systems, security upgrades, floor coverings etc. In 2010/11, costs will be incurred across a number of group homes as and when items need replacing.

Hostel Redevelopment Program - \$950k

This program comprises the commencement of redevelopments at the Commission's Norwich, Sussex and Bennett Brook sites. The budget also includes the demolition of Dorset Hostel and the rebuild of the Bedford emergency centre.

Supplementary Information No A5:

Answer (cont):

Renovations Program - \$301k

This program provides funding for the fit-out, upgrade and/or preservation of the Commission's facilities to ensure they are in good condition and meet Occupational Safety & Health, Fire and Safety and National Disability Service Standards.

In 2010-11 funds will be used to fit-out two new Local Area Coordination offices at Rockingham and Midland.

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Supplementary Information No A6: Hon Sue Ellery asked what the WA contribution is towards the \$10million national disability research agenda.

Answer: The Western Australian share of the research budget is \$474,962.80 over five years (2008/09-2012/13).

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Disability Services Commission

Supplementary Information No A7: Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich asked which of the Economic Audit Committee report recommendations directly impact on disability services and on which ones has there been work commenced with the involvement of the Disability Services Commission

Answer:

The Economic Audit Committee report recommendations that directly impact on disability services are:

Recommendation 7

Recommendation 11

Recommendation 12

Recommendation 13

Recommendation 14

Recommendation 16

Recommendation 17

The Economic Audit Committee report recommendations on which there has been work commenced with the involvement of the Disability Services Commission are:

Recommendation 7

Recommendation 11

Recommendation 12

Recommendation 13

Recommendation 14

Recommendation 16

Recommendation 17

Senior officers from the Disability Services Commission are involved in working groups and committees that are progressing these recommendations. These include the Community Service Steering Committee, the Public-Community Partnership Forum and the Procurement in Partnership Working Group.