

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
Question Without Notice

Tuesday, 12 September 2023

C1128. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

I refer to the transition from the McGowan Government to Cook Government in early June this year, and the consequential financial impact of departed(ing) term-of-government ministerial staff, and I ask:

1. Who among these staff have ceased employment and what is the value of each individual payout?

Answer

(1) See tabled paper.

Ministerial staff are employed by way of term of government contracts under section 68 of the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*. On termination of employment, term of government employees are entitled to a termination payment and any accrued leave entitlements.

Following the 2017 election, termination payments to ministerial staff of the previous Liberal National government totalled more than \$5.6 million.



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Minister	Position Title	Gross
Hon R Cook MLA	Advancer and Media Adviser	\$35,052.61
Hon R Cook MLA	Special Adviser	\$113,315.44
Hon R Cook MLA	Senior Policy Adviser	\$43,692.76
Hon S Ellery MLC	Appointments Secretary	\$26,001.09
Hon S Ellery MLC	Senior Policy Adviser	\$54,907.70
Hon S Dawson MLC	Policy Adviser	\$60,123.84
Hon S Dawson MLC	Reception/Administrative Assistant	\$9,224.37
Hon J Quigley MLA	Special Adviser	\$117,033.97
Hon J Quigley MLA	Chief of Staff	\$141,760.01
Hon J Quigley MLA	Principal Policy Adviser	\$94,949.67
Hon B Johnston MLA	Principal Policy Adviser	\$117,412.75
Hon Dr T Buti MLA	Special Adviser	\$73,599.88
Hon S McGurk MLA	Principal Policy Adviser	\$105,285.11
Hon J Carey MLA	Senior Policy Adviser	\$67,385.23
Hon D Punch MLA	Policy Adviser	\$115,241.04
Hon D Punch MLA	Senior Media Adviser	\$93,334.39
Hon R Whitby MLA	Liaison Officer	\$56,555.72
Hon R Whitby MLA	Chief of Staff	\$72,340.13
Hon R Whitby MLA	Policy Adviser	\$15,395.29
Hon R Whitby MLA	Executive Officer	\$65,624.06
Hon R Whitby MLA	Senior Media Adviser	\$18,680.95
Hon S Winton MLA	Senior Policy Adviser	\$68,795.36
Hon D Michael MLA	Senior Policy Adviser	\$41,351.85
Hon J Jarvis MLC	Senior Policy Adviser	\$108,890.65