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Portfolio overview

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Legislative Assembly of Queensland

Overview

The Legislative Assembly of Queensland consists of 93 Members who discharge a range of important constitutional, legislative and constituency responsibilities. The *Parliamentary Service Act 1988* establishes the Parliamentary Service to provide administrative and support services to the Legislative Assembly.

Our vision is to be recognised as an innovative leader in the delivery of Parliamentary Services in the Westminster world.

Our purpose is to independently support, promote and strengthen the Parliament to fulfil its democratic functions.

In 2023–24, the Parliamentary Service will work towards its objectives to:

- support the Legislative Assembly (and its committees and Members) in fulfilling its functions within the institution of Parliament
- support Members of the Legislative Assembly to engage with and represent their electorates
- provide information, corporate and facility management services
- safeguard, promote and strengthen the important institution of Parliament.

The Parliamentary Service also provides a range of corporate support services to client agencies with specific relationships to the Parliament including the Queensland Audit Office, the Office of the Queensland Ombudsman, and the Office of the Governor.

Department highlights

In 2023–24, the Parliamentary Service will:

- continue to implement the Parliament's digital transformation strategy to help digitise a range of manual processes and provide reliable, secure and modern technology solutions to support the Parliament, its committees and members
- commence a 3 year plan to deliver a range of workforce modernisation improvements aligned with the Queensland Parliamentary Service Workforce Strategy 2022–2025
- complete a project to enhance electorate office security through the installation of a standardised CCTV monitoring system in each electorate office across Queensland
- commence planning for the transition from the 57th Parliament to the 58th Parliament following the scheduled October 2024 General State Election.

Budget highlights

In the 2023–24 Queensland Budget, the government is providing:

- additional funding of \$3.1 million over 4 years and \$253,000 per annum ongoing for the Queensland Parliament to
 deliver a digital transformation program to replace and modernise business-critical legacy IT systems. This program
 includes the replacement of a portfolio of bespoke software applications with a commercial enterprise solution known
 as the Parliamentary Information Management System (PIMS), and the replacement of ageing AV broadcast
 infrastructure which directly support the effective operations of the Queensland Legislative Assembly and
 parliamentary committees
- increased funding of \$18.1 million to continue the long-term upgrade of critical infrastructure within the Parliamentary Annexe. The focus in 2023–24 is completion of a major project to repair the Parliamentary Annexe façade and modernise Member's office and overnight rooms on levels 9 to 23 of the Parliamentary Annexe tower.

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Further information about new policy decisions can be found in Budget Paper No. 4: Budget Measures.

Performance statement

Members' Salaries, Entitlements and Electorate Office Services

Objective

To administer the direct remuneration and entitlements of Members of Parliament and provide resources and support services to assist in maintaining Members' electorate offices.

Description

This service area represents the direct cost of Members' salaries and entitlements and maintaining and supporting electorate offices across the State.

The *Members' Remuneration Handbook* (the Handbook) outlines the salaries and other entitlements of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

The Handbook also establishes that each Member is provided with an electorate office to support activities in servicing their electorate. The Handbook also provides for a range of other resources to support the operation of each electorate office including staffing and certain equipment. All of these resources provide support to Members to enable them to fulfil their constituency responsibilities.

Service standards for Members' Salaries, Entitlements and Electorate Office Services are not provided. Each electorate office operates independently under the direction of each Member. Individual Members assess the performance of their office(s) based upon the needs of that Member in servicing local constituents.

Parliamentary Precinct Support Services

Objective

To deliver a range of support services within the parliamentary precinct to the Parliament, its Members and committees.

Description

This service area provides:

- advisory, information and support services to assist the Parliament, its committees and Members to fulfil their
 constitutional and parliamentary responsibilities. These services include Chamber, Education and Communication
 Services, the Committee Office, the Parliamentary Library and Parliamentary Reporting Services
- services to promote the institution of Parliament and raise community awareness and understanding of its important role and functions
- services to provide a safe and secure parliamentary precinct including Security and Attendant Services
- accommodation and hospitality services that provide Members, staff and guests of the Parliament with an appropriate working environment
- organisational services that support the activities of Members and their staff, and deliver and administer a range of
 entitlements afforded to Members pursuant to the *Members' Remuneration Handbook* including Information
 Technology Services, Human Resource Services, and Financial and Administrative Services.

Service standards	2022–23 Target/Est.	2022–23 Est. Actual	2023–24 Target/Est.
Effectiveness measures			
Percentage of Members satisfied with services provided (satisfied/very satisfied)	95%	95%	95%
Percentage of shared services clients satisfied with services provided (satisfied/very satisfied)	100%	100%	100%
Efficiency measures			
Not identified			

Departmental budget summary

The table below shows the total resources available in 2023–24 from all sources and summarises how resources will be applied by service area and by controlled and administered classifications.

Legislative Assembly of Queensland	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Est. Actual \$'000	2023–24 Budget \$'000
CONTROLLED			
Income			
Appropriation revenue	111,308	112,736	113,457
Other revenue	2,201	2,201	2,201
Total income	113,509	114,937	115,658
Expenses			
Members' Salaries, Entitlements and Electorate Office Services	69,923	70,020	71,525
Parliamentary Precinct Support Services	43,586	44,917	44,133
Total expenses	113,509	114,937	115,658
Operating surplus/deficit			
Net assets	270,260	262,977	299,002

Staffing

The table below shows the Full Time Equivalents (FTEs) as at the 30 June in the respective years.

Service area	2022–23 Budget	2022–23 Est. Actual	2023–24 Budget
Members' Salaries, Entitlements and Electorate Office Services	305	305	305
Parliamentary Precinct Support Services	211	220	218
Total FTEs	516	525	523

Capital program

The total planned 2023–24 capital expenditure for the Legislative Assembly of Queensland is \$36.9 million. Major capital projects include the necessary repairs and upgrades to the external façade of the Parliamentary Annexe, and the refurbishment of soft furnishings in Members' office and overnight accommodation floors (levels 9 to 23). Other capital projects include modernising AV broadcast infrastructure and the ongoing electorate office accommodation improvement program.

The table below shows the capital purchases by the agency in the respective years.

	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Est. Actual \$'000	2023–24 Budget \$'000
Capital purchases	43,561	31,413	36,880
Capital grants			
Total capital outlays	43,561	31,413	36,880

Further information about the Legislative Assembly of Queensland capital outlays can be found in *Budget Paper No. 3:* Capital Statement.

Budgeted financial statements

Departmental income statement

Total expenses are estimated to be \$115.7 million in 2023–24, an increase of \$0.7 million from the 2022–23 Estimated Actual. This is primarily related to additional funding received in 2023–24 associated with enterprise bargaining costs, and maintenance and electorate office leasing escalation.

Departmental balance sheet

The Legislative Assembly's major assets are land and buildings. The Legislative Assembly's main liabilities relate to creditors supplying goods and services to the Legislative Assembly, and accrued employee benefits. The increase to assets in 2023–24 is due to the planned repairs and upgrades to the external façade of the Parliamentary Annexe, and the refurbishment of soft furnishings in Members' office and overnight accommodation floors.

Controlled income statement

Legislative Assembly of Queensland	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Est. Actual \$'000	2023–24 Budget \$'000
INCOME			
Appropriation revenue	111,308	112,736	113,457
Taxes			
User charges and fees	2,169	2,169	2,169
Royalties and land rents			
Grants and other contributions			
Interest and distributions from managed funds			
Other revenue	32	32	32
Gains on sale/revaluation of assets			
Total income	113,509	114,937	115,658
EXPENSES			
Employee expenses	74,673	74,888	76,618
Supplies and services	30,487	31,700	30,691
Grants and subsidies			
Depreciation and amortisation	8,115	8,115	8,115
Finance/borrowing costs			
Other expenses	234	234	234
Losses on sale/revaluation of assets			
Total expenses	113,509	114,937	115,658
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)			

Controlled balance sheet

Legislative Assembly of Queensland	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Est. Actual \$'000	2023–24 Budget \$'000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash assets	5,115	5,868	5,653
Receivables	1,620	1,479	1,479
Other financial assets			
Inventories	164	147	147
Other	1,181	977	977
Non-financial assets held for sale			
Total current assets	8,080	8,471	8,256
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Receivables			
Other financial assets			
Property, plant and equipment	264,560	257,187	293,233
Intangibles	591	536	515
Other			
Total non-current assets	265,151	257,723	293,748
TOTAL ASSETS	273,231	266,194	302,004
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	1,820	1,774	1,774
Accrued employee benefits	1,126	1,387	1,172
Interest bearing liabilities and derivatives			
Provisions			
Other	25	56	56
Total current liabilities	2,971	3,217	3,002
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables			
Accrued employee benefits			
Interest bearing liabilities and derivatives			
Provisions			
Other			
Total non-current liabilities			
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,971	3,217	3,002
NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)	270,260	262,977	299,002
EQUITY			
TOTAL EQUITY	270,260	262,977	299,002

Controlled cash flow statement

Legislative Assembly of Queensland	2022–23 Budget \$'000	2022–23 Est. Actual \$'000	2023–24 Budget \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Inflows:			
Appropriation receipts	111,308	111,647	113,457
User charges and fees	2,319	2,319	2,319
Royalties and land rent receipts			
Grants and other contributions			
Interest and distribution from managed funds received			
Taxes			
Other	1,409	1,409	1,409
Outflows:			
Employee costs	(74,673)	(74,673)	(76,833)
Supplies and services	(31,864)	(33,077)	(32,068)
Grants and subsidies			
Borrowing costs			
Other	(384)	(384)	(384)
Net cash provided by or used in operating activities	8,115	7,241	7,900
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Inflows:			
Sales of non-financial assets	33	33	33
Investments redeemed			
Loans and advances redeemed			
Outflows:			
Payments for non-financial assets	(43,561)	(31,413)	(36,880)
Payments for investments			
Loans and advances made			
Net cash provided by or used in investing activities	(43,528)	(31,380)	(36,847)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Inflows:			
Borrowings			
Equity injections	40,541	25,238	33,860
Outflows:			
Borrowing redemptions			
Finance lease payments			
Equity withdrawals	(5,128)	(5,128)	(5,128)
Net cash provided by or used in financing activities	35,413	20,110	28,732
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(4,029)	(215)
Cash at the beginning of financial year	5,115	9,897	5,868
Cash transfers from restructure			
Cash at the end of financial year	5,115	5,868	5,653

Glossary of terms

Accrual accounting	Recognition of economic events and other financial transactions involving revenue, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity as they occur and reporting in financial statements in the period to which they relate, rather than when a flow of cash occurs.
Administered items	Assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses an entity administers, without discretion, on behalf of the government.
Agency/entity	Used generically to refer to the various organisational units within government that deliver services or otherwise service government objectives. The term can include departments, commercialised business units, statutory bodies or other organisations established by Executive decision.
Appropriation	Funds issued by the Treasurer, under Parliamentary authority, to departments during a financial year for:
	delivery of agreed servicesadministered items
	adjustment of the government's equity in agencies, including acquiring of capital.
Balance sheet	A financial statement that reports the assets, liabilities and equity of an entity as at a particular date.
Capital	A term used to refer to an entity's stock of assets and the capital grants it makes to other agencies. Assets include property, plant and equipment, intangible items and inventories that an entity owns/controls and uses in the delivery of services.
Cash flow statement	A financial statement reporting the cash inflows and outflows for an entity's operating, investing and financing activities in a particular period.
Controlled Items	Assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses that are controlled by departments. These relate directly to the departmental operational objectives and arise at the discretion and direction of that department.
Depreciation	The periodic allocation of the cost of physical assets, representing the amount of the asset consumed during a specified time.
Equity	Equity is the residual interest in the assets of the entity after deduction of its liabilities. It usually comprises the entity's accumulated surpluses/losses, capital injections and any reserves.
Equity injection	An increase in the investment of the government in a public sector agency.
Financial statements	Collective description of the income statement, the balance sheet and the cash flow statement for an entity's controlled and administered activities.
Income statement	A financial statement highlighting the accounting surplus or deficit of an entity. It provides an indication of whether the entity has sufficient revenue to meet expenses in the current year, including non-cash costs such as depreciation.
Outcomes	Whole-of-government outcomes are intended to cover all dimensions of community wellbeing. They express the current needs and future aspirations of communities, within a social, economic and environment context.
Own-source revenue	Revenue that is generated by an agency, generally through the sale of goods and services, but it may also include some Commonwealth funding.
Priorities	Key policy areas that will be the focus of government activity.
Services	The actions or activities (including policy development) of an agency which contribute to the achievement of the agency's objectives.
Service area	Related services grouped into a high level service area for communicating the broad types of services delivered by an agency.
Service standard	Define a level of performance that is expected to be achieved appropriate for the service area or service. Service standards are measures of efficiency or effectiveness.



