

Cost of Public Support for Former Office Holders

Actual expenditure for fiscal years 2016/17 and 2017/18

The Department of Premier and Cabinet publishes the cost of public support for former office holders on its website every six months.

In May 2012, changes were announced to the public support provided to former office holders, which has resulted in significant savings. The cost of public support for former office holders in the year prior to the announcement was \$1,600,000.

Item	Financial year	Unsworth	Greiner	Fahey	Carr	Bashir	Former Governors*	Total
Staff salaries	2016/17	0	120,950	0	123,087	143,036	0	387,074
	2017/18	0	140,049	0	120,141	141,527	0	401,717
Drivers' salaries	2016/17	0	0	0	0	106,694	0	106,694
	2017/18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Office rent	2016/17	0	192,552	0	168,247	197,934		558,733
	2017/18	0	207,917	0	178,654	63,182		449,754
Car transport	2016/17	728	60	21,742	2,477	28,285	708	54,000
	2017/18	30	0	19,557	2,415	7,420	452	29,874
Telephones	2016/17	0	2,734	775	9,041	1,561		14,111
	2017/18	0	4,858	824	7,760	516		13,959
Other office costs	2016/17	0	2,646	0	4,232	4,511		11,389
	2017/18	0	3,997	0	5,577	5,992		15,567
Travel	2016/17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2017/18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2016/17	728	318,943	22,517	307,084	482,021	708	1,132,001
	2017/18	30	356,822	20,381	314,548	218,637	452	910,870

*Excluding former Governor Bashir

- (a) Some costs incurred during FY 2016/17 were not brought to account until 2017/18 and are therefore included in the later figures.
- (b) "Staff salaries" includes salaries, pay-roll tax, employer superannuation contributions and other salary related on-costs (e.g., allowance payments). Also includes costs for contractors replacing staff on leave.
- (c) "Office Rent" includes costs for rent, electricity, cleaning, car parking, outgoings, and other accommodation related costs (e.g. office repairs, maintenance charges).
- (d) "Drivers' Salaries" includes salaries, pay-roll tax, employer superannuation contributions and other salary related on-costs for a driver allocated full time.
- (e) "Car Transport" includes car hire costs, allowances and overtime claimed by drivers, and the costs for Mr Fahey's and Professor Bashir's vehicles (lease charges, fuel, repairs and maintenance, registration, toll charges (e-tags)). Car and driver for Professor Bashir was provided on a full-time basis up to end April 2017, and then car and driver upon request to/from official functions.
- (f) "Other Office Costs" includes such items as postage, computer expenses, newspapers/magazines, photocopier charges, stationery and office equipment.
- (g) "Former Governors" includes Lady Cutler, Lady Martin, and Rear Admiral Sinclair. It excludes costs for Professor Bashir. A separate cost centre had been established to capture costs relating to Professor Bashir.
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