

Question on Notice
No. 1264
Asked on 19 September 2018

Mrs D Frecklington asked Premier and Minister for Trade (Hon. A Palaszczuk)—

QUESTION:

Will the Premier provide the total expected cost of the Armistice Centenary artwork project, including a detailed breakdown of all expected costs?

ANSWER:

The Armistice Centenary public art project was approved by my government in 2017 to provide an opportunity for the Queensland public to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of conflict in the First World War.

The public art project has engaged thousands of Queenslanders in making at least 57 705 handmade poppies—one for every Queensland soldier who enlisted in the First World War.

Queenslanders have contributed paper poppies through events held across the state between June and September 2018. Digital poppies are being collected between 14 September 2018 and 16 November 2018.

The project will culminate in a large art installation spelling ‘Remember’. The installation will tour to Townsville, Mackay, Longreach, Bundaberg and Brisbane from October to mid-November 2018.

As at 19 September 2018, the total budgeted cost for the Armistice Centenary public art project is \$806,882.36 (excluding GST) which comprises:

- contractor fees to deliver the Armistice Centenary art project at a cost of \$523,828.57 (excluding GST) which includes development and production of paper poppies, delivery of 14 community engagement workshops, distribution and collection of completed poppies across communities in Queensland, development of digital poppy and website, artwork creation and fabrication of art installation including video production for LED screens, and installation in Brisbane.
- contractor to deliver art installation regional tour at a cost of \$232,128.70 (excluding GST) including site management, artwork transportation and installation, staffing, security and generator, labour and equipment hire for the display of the artwork in Townsville, Mackay, Longreach and Bundaberg.
- venue hire fees at a cost of \$18,063.79 (excluding GST) for community engagement workshops and art installation sites (where required)
- budget for up to \$17,871.30 (excluding GST) in expenses for small commemorative activities to complement regional tour, site regeneration costs at display art installation locations, managing inclement weather.
- public relations at a cost of \$14,990 (excluding GST) to promote the public art activations from June to November.

As at 19 September 2018, \$368,036.51 (excluding GST) has been expended.