

Question on Notice
No. 1523
Asked on 30 October 2018

Mr A Powell asked Premier and Minister for Trade (Hon. A Palaszczuk)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Managing Market-Led Proposals audit being undertaken by the Queensland Audit Office—

Will the Premier explain why the expected date of completion has changed from September 2018 to December 2018?

ANSWER:

In accordance with the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, the Auditor-General may conduct an audit in the way the Auditor-General considers appropriate. As such, the timing of an audit is a matter for the Auditor-General.

With regard to the member's question, I have sought advice from the Auditor-General who has advised me as follows:

“The expected completion date range for audits published on the Queensland Audit Office website provides an estimate based on information available at the time of planning and commencing the audit. This estimated completion date is subject to change at times due to the operational demands on resources that arise in balancing a portfolio of multiple complex audits, which includes both planned and unplanned audits (such as those resulting from referrals). At times, added complexity and the need to adjust the scope of audits can also impact on delivery of my portfolio of performance audits.

The scheduled date range for completing and tabling my report on the performance audit Managing Market-led Proposals has shifted from July-September 2018 to July-December 2018 due to operational reasons. My audit team is working toward completing this performance audit for tabling in December 2018.”