

## Question on Notice

No. 1931

Asked on 28 November 2019

**MRS D FRECKLINGTON ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PARTNERSHIPS (HON J TRAD)—**

QUESTION:

With reference to the path to Treaty—

Will the Treasurer advise the total remuneration for each of the panel members, including expenses and sitting fees for this financial year and 2020-21?

ANSWER:

An Eminent Panel of seven Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders and non-Indigenous Queenslanders have been appointed to 30 June 2020 and their engagement and involvement required for the Path to Treaty will vary during this period.

Correspondence was sent to the Leader of the Opposition offering a briefing and seeking nomination of a member for bipartisan representation on the Eminent Panel. A briefing has been provided however the opportunity to provide a nomination to the Eminent Panel was declined.

Below is a table outlining the Eminent Panel members' remuneration due for sitting fees and meetings from 1 July 2019 up to and including 31 October 2019:

Position	Name	Sitting fees
Co-Chair	Dr Jackie Huggins AM	\$21,450.00
Co-Chair	The Honourable Michael Lavarch AO	\$10,725.00
Member	Dame Quentin Bryce AD CVO	<i>Nil*</i>
Member	Mr Mick Gooda	\$4,160.00
Member	Ms Josephine Bourne	\$11,250.00
Member	Mr Kerry O'Brien	\$5,000.00
Member	Mr Dan Crowley	\$4,000.00
		<b>TOTAL: \$56,585.00</b>

\* Dame Quentin Bryce has declined payment for her role on the Eminent Panel.

\* Dr Jackie Huggins, performs a dual role as both the Co-Chair of the Eminent Panel and the Co-Chair of the Treaty Working Group.

Reimbursement for expenses incurred by Eminent Panel members is being finalised.

On 13 September 2019, the Path to Treaty in Queensland Consultation Paper was released, starting the conversation with Queenslanders about what a Treaty might mean for Queensland. Throughout October to 6 December 2019, 24 public community consultation sessions were held across the state with over 1,000 people in attendance.

In addition to community sessions, briefing sessions were held with Traditional Owners and key stakeholder groups, 331 online surveys were completed and 37 submissions provided.