Question on Notice

No. 470

Asked on 2 April 2019

MR T MANDER asked the Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence (HON D FARMER)—

QUESTION

Will the Minister advise, for the first full year since becoming a Minister, the total amount of expenditure relating to conference, workshops, catering and other hospitality expenses under the administration of the Minister?

ANSWER

Government departments only host conferences and workshops or public servants attend such events, in accordance with departmental approval processes, and the *Code of Conduct for the Queensland Public Service* would apply to the attendance of public servants at such events. Furthermore, the Honourable Member should note that financial transactions involving departments are annually and independently audited by the Queensland Audit Office.

The Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women (DCSYW) was established on 12 December 2017. I am advised that DCSYW expended \$903,583.24 relating to conferences, workshops, training, consultations, catering and other hospitality expenses from 12 December 2017 to 11 December 2018.