

Response to question on notice

Questions on Notice Paper No 10 19 September 2025 Question No. 639

Mr Thomas Emerson MLA: To ask the Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs

1. What was the ACT Government's agreed position on each of the recommendations of the Productivity Commission's review of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap going into the July 2024 Joint Council meeting.
2. Can the Minister provide a copy of the document - from circa June 2025 - indicating the Government's agreed position from prior to that Joint Council.

MS SUZANNE ORR MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. The ACT Government agreed to all 16 recommendations of the Productivity Commission's review of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap on 24 June 2024.

At its July 2024 meeting, Joint Council agreed to the four key recommendations of the Review and to 15 of the 16 recommended actions. Joint Council agreed to do further work before deciding how to progress Action 2.2 on Indigenous Data, including establishing a data policy partnership to accelerate progress on data and report back to Joint Council.

2. Question two is requesting a cabinet document from circa June 2025, however this seems to be referring to a cabinet document from circa June 2024 when the cabinet decision was made. This is available in Open Access on the ACT Government website [24 June 2024 - Open Government Information](#).

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Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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