

Response to question on notice

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Question No. 832

Ms Deborah Morris MLA: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services –

In relation to the arson attack on Gungahlin Joint Emergency Services Centre (JESC) last month,

- how many staff were present in JESC at the time of the attack,
- were any staff or members of the public physically injured,
- what is the current operational status of JESC and
- what damage occurred to JESC.

DR MARISA PATERSON MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

(a) The number of staff present at the Gungahlin Joint Emergency Services Centre (JESC) at the time of the attack is broken down in the table below:

ACT Ambulance Service	ACT Fire & Rescue	ACT Policing (AFP)
0 Paramedics	4 Firefighters	7 Officers

(b) There were no reports of physical injuries from staff or members of the public following this incident.

(c) The Gungahlin JESC is currently operational. ACT Policing recommenced full operations at the site on 29 January 2026. ACT Emergency Services Agency's (ESA) operational capability was not affected by the incident.

(d) The Gungahlin JESC sustained the following damage caused by the incident:

- damaged internal ceiling (foyer area);
- damaged internal lighting (foyer area);
- damaged sensors (fire detection and movement – foyer area);
- damaged security cameras (entry and foyer);
- damaged front entry door cabling (foyer area);
- damaged blinds (foyer area);
- damaged glass and tinting on internal access door (foyer / internal areas); and
- damaged carpet in main hallway (internal).

No damage or contamination was identified in the ESA (ACT Fire & Rescue and ACT Ambulance Service) section of the Gungahlin JESC.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

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**Dr Marisa Paterson MLA
Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services**

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Date:

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