

## **Andrew Barr MLA**

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## RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE Questions on Notice Paper No 41 12 April 2024 Question No. 1766

PETER CAIN MLA: To ask the Treasurer

- (1) Can the Minister advise the extent of the leading agency's role in stages 3 and 4 of the Infrastructure Investment Lifecycle and
  - a) whether a separate charter or set of values are followed by Major Projects Canberra (MPC) and Procurement ACT for their respective phases in the infrastructure investment lifecycle and
  - b) provide the core charter or set of values that MPC or Procurement ACT follow throughout capital project lifecycles, as identified in part (a).
- (2) How does the leading agency ensure that stages 3 and 4 of the infrastructure investment lifecycle maximise public value, among other elements of the capital framework, given their exemption from the capital framework

**ANDREW BARR MLA** - the answer to the Member's question is as follows:

(1)

a) Major Projects Canberra (MPC) and Procurement ACT both follow the ACT Government's Procurement Framework when delivering services through Stage 3 (Procure) and Stage 4 (Implement) of the Infrastructure Investment Lifecycle. MPC and Procurement ACT both apply the Charter of Procurement Values in accordance with the Government Procurement (Charter of Procurement Values) Direction 2020.

b) The Government Procurement (Charter of Procurement Values) Direction 2020 is available from both the ACT Legislation Register via <a href="https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/ni/2020-580/">https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/ni/2020-580/</a> and the Procurement ACT website, <a href="https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/ni/2020-580/">Charter-of-Procurement-Values.pdf</a> (act.gov.au).

A range of ethical, environmental, economic and social factors are considered in all phases of the procurement cycle (plan, source and manage) to ensure value for money is captured for the Territory. The Charter of Procurement Values includes:

- i. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Economic Participation;
- ii. Business Development and Innovation;
- iii. Diversity, Equality and Inclusion;
- iv. Environmental Responsibility;
- v. Fair and Safe Conditions for Workers; and
- vi. Transparent and Ethical engagement.

The <u>Recovery through Values-led Procurement Factsheet</u> details how these values can be incorporated into procurement activities to assist in the application of these values and may be accessed via the <u>Recovery Through Values-Led Procurement Factsheet.</u>

(2) The Capital Framework provides guidance for three of the six stages of the Infrastructure Investment Lifecycle. Stages 3 and 4 are not covered by the Capital Framework. Public value within these stages is assured as described in the response to Q1.

Public value throughout the full Infrastructure Investment Lifecycle is assured through the integration of the six stages as described in the Capital Framework, including the subsequent Stage 5 – Measure.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

**Andrew Barr MLA** 

Treasurer

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