Parliamentary Budget Office

Section 1: Entity overview and resources

1.1 Strategic direction statement

The Parliamentary Budget Office (PBO), as an independent and non-partisan institution, engages with the Parliament to help improve the integrity of the policy development process, better inform public policy debates and strengthen budget and fiscal policy transparency.

To support the 2022–23 Portfolio Budget Statements (PB Statements) and in accordance with section 64Q of the *Parliamentary Service Act* 1999, the Parliamentary Budget Officer, in consultation with the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit, will prepare a work plan for the PBO setting out:

- the priorities for the PBO for the 2022–23 financial year
- protocols for the allocation of resources for the PBO during the financial year.

This information will be incorporated into the PBO's 2022–23 Corporate plan, to be released before 31 August 2022.

Ahead of the release of the 2022–23 Corporate plan, section 2 of the 2022–23 PB Statements provides detail on the PBO's outcome and planned performance.

1.2 **Entity resource statement**

Table 1.1 shows the total funding from all sources. The table summarises how resources will be applied to the PBO.

Information in this table is presented on a resourcing (that is, appropriations/cash available) basis, whilst the 'Budgeted expenses for its Outcome' table in Section 2 and the financial statements in Section 3 are presented on an accrual basis.

Table 1.1: PBO resource statement — Budget estimates for 2022-23 as at Budget March 2022

Average staffing level (number)	48	44
	2021-22	2022-23
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Total departmental resourcing	13,757	13,011
Total departmental annual appropriations	13,757	13,011
Departmental appropriation	9,269	8,823
Prior year appropriations available	4,488	4,188
Annual appropriations - ordinary annual services (a)		
Departmental		
	\$'000	\$'000
	actual	
	Estimated	Estimate
	2021-22	2022-23

All figures shown above are GST exclusive - these may not match figures in the cash flow statement. Prepared on a resourcing (i.e. appropriations available) basis.
(a) Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1).