

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

BUDGET ESTIMATES - 4 JUNE 2013 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

Topic: Contractors

Question reference number: HS 61

Senator: Smith

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Question:

For this financial year to date:

- a) Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- b) Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- c) Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- d) Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- e) Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- f) Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- g) Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- h) Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- i) Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.
- j) What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).

Answer:

- a) No.
- b) No.
- c) No.
- d) No.
- e) No.
- f) No.
- g) No.
- h) The Department has had the following contracts with Boston Consulting Group in the 2012-13 financial year to date.

Reference No.	Description of Services	Start Date	End Date	Contract Value (GST Inclusive)
C000002162	Review of Business Improvement Services	14/03/2013	12/04/2013	\$79,000
C000002214	Project Management Services	13/05/2013	30/06/2013	\$330,000

- i) No
- j) All contractor arrangements valued at \$10,000 or more entered into by DHS are reported and are publicly available on AusTender. This includes all consultancy contracts, which are identified specifically as being consultancies in the AusTender records.