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Answer:

- 2730 AASB engages consultants from time to time:
PFS Professional Financial Solutions – AASB Defined Benefit Superannuation Plan. Cost for an update to the AASB's liability under the Plan and related information is \$1200 per quarter shared with the AUASB. Cost to the AASB is \$600 per quarter.
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Answer:

- 2730 No consultancies as such, however AASB engages various consultant specialists on ongoing base as required.
PFS Professional Financial solutions – AUASB Super Plan \$1200
Gadens Lawylers – Review employment contracts \$1768
Department of Finance – Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity project \$659.70
Yorston Services P/L – Templates and macros \$3960
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