

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2016 - 2017

**Division/Agency:** Corporate Group

**Question No:** 486

**Topic:** Wellbeing Framework

**Reference:** Written

**Senator:** Ketter, Chris

**Question:**

- 1) When was the Wellbeing Framework established within Treasury?
- 2) Who was responsible for establishing it?
- 3) When did Mr John Fraser become appointed the Secretary of the Treasury?
- 4) Was Mr Fraser provided briefing or any other information on the Wellbeing Framework when he was appointed Secretary?
- 5) If yes to 4), when was this briefing or any other information provided? In what format? On how many occasions? Which area in Treasury was responsible for that briefing?
- 6) If no to 4), can you provide reasons as to why Mr Fraser was not briefed or provided information on the Wellbeing Framework?
- 7) Has Mr Fraser received any briefing or any other information on the Wellbeing Framework since his appointment?
- 8) If yes to 7), when was this briefing or any other information provided? In what format? On how many occasions? Which area in Treasury was responsible for that briefing?
- 9) If no to 7), can you provide reasons as to why Mr Fraser was not briefed or provided information on the Wellbeing Framework?

**Answer:**

1-2: The Wellbeing Framework was a tool of analysis that gained prominence when Dr Ken Henry AO was Secretary to the Treasury from 2002-2011.

3: John Fraser commenced as Secretary to the Treasury on 15 January 2015.

4-9: Mr Fraser was not provided with briefing on the Wellbeing Framework when he was appointed Secretary or at any other time since then. Upon his appointment, he was briefed by Treasury staff on priority policy issues.