

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017**

Outcome: Cross Portfolio

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000285

Senator Collins, Jacinta provided in writing.

Corporate Expenditure

Question

Can you outline expenditure by the Department on the following:

- Plant hire and/or maintenance for 2015-16, 2016-17?
- Coffee machines, hire, purchase and/or maintenance for 2015-15, 2016-17
- Expenditure on Art Bank or other art hire?
- Expenditure on catering, broken down by each division, for 2015-16, 2016-17?
- Expenditure on alcohol, broken down by each division, for 2015-16, 2016-17?

Answer

- For the financial year 2015–16 plant hire and/or maintenance was \$143,405 GST exclusive. For the financial year 2016–17 YTD (as at 16 March 2017) expenditure is \$80,470 GST exclusive.
- For the financial years 2015–16 and 2016–17 there was no recorded expenditure on coffee machines, hire, purchase and/or maintenance.
- For the financial years 2015–16 and 2016–17 there was no recorded expenditure on Art Bank or other art hire.
- The Department of Education and Training's financial system does not identify expenditure on catering separately. It is not possible to make a reliable estimate of the amount spent on catering.
- Where appropriate, catering for official functions can include beverages in the form of soft drinks and alcoholic beverages. The department's financial system does not identify expenditure on alcoholic beverages separately. It is not possible to make a reliable estimate of the amount spent on alcoholic beverages.