

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. SBE15/098

Senator Collins asked the following question at the hearing on 20 October 2015:

1. What was the annual security budget for Prime Minister Abbott?
2. How many AFP officers were in service?
3. What was the cost of employing said number of officers?
4. How much funding was allocated to technology and equipment?
5. Did the AFP conduct an assessment on the vulnerability of the Prime Minister's Point Piper residence?
6. What were the findings of this assessment?
7. What challenges did the AFP identify in the Point Piper estate?
8. Did the AFP offer any advice to the Prime Minister on his choice of residence?
9. What are the particulars of that conversation?
10. Did the AFP express a preference for Kirribilli?
11. Did the AFP express any concerns relating to Point Piper estate?
12. What was the Prime Minister's response?
13. Will the Point Piper estate require greater security measures than Kirribilli House?
14. What additional security measures are needed at Point Piper estate, including software and technology upgrades?
15. How much will these additional services cost (on and off lodgement)?
16. Will additional AFP officers be appointed to manage the physical security of the estate?
17. Approximately how much will these additional officers cost?
18. When did any additional officers commence?
19. Will the change in residence impact transport provisions?
20. What are the costs involved in additional transport provisions?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

1. The total budget for the delivery of Close Personal Protection (CPP), security of the Lodge and AFP College in Canberra and Official Establishments Sydney (costs shared between Kirribilli House the PM's residence and Admiralty House the Governor-General's residence) to provide security to the Prime Minister was \$10,274,325 for the FY 2014/15. The actual expenses incurred over the 2014/15 FY was \$10,365,800.
2. For operational reasons we are not able to provide this information.
3. Out of the actual expenses incurred over the 2014/15 FY, \$9,477,815 relate to Employee expenses.

4. AFP component is:

	2014/15 Actual Expenses
Item	Total
P&A Items	\$12,262
Minor Capital	\$860
Police Equipment	\$2,379
Motor Vehicles	\$74,536
Total	\$90,037

5. The Attorney-General's Department conducted a security risk assessment of the Prime Minister's Point Piper residence. The AFP contributed to this assessment.
6. For operational reasons we are unable to provide this information.
7. The AFP does not discuss security risks and treatments at official residences.
8. Please refer to question 7.
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13. Please refer to question 7.
14. For operational reasons we are unable to provide this information.
15. Please refer to question 14.
16. The AFP does not discuss security risks and treatments at official residences.
17. The AFP does not discuss security risks and treatments at official residences.
18. The AFP commenced a security presence at the Prime Minister's Point Piper residence on the evening of Monday 14 September 2015.
19. No.
20. Not applicable.