

PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA

# HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY THIRTY FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

Incorporating the House of Assembly Digest for 2022

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# Part One: Introduction

The Parliament of Tasmania, comprised of the House of Assembly, Legislative Council and Her Excellency the Governor together, is responsible for considering and enacting State legislation, and authorising the raising of revenue and expenditure. This Annual Report for the House of Assembly, details its role in the abovementioned responsibilities for 2022-2023.

# Mission and Corporate Goals

The House of Assembly Mission Statement, from which the five corporate goals are derived, is detailed below. Together, these underpin the workings of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly.

The Mission Statement of the House of Assembly is as follows:

To provide the House of Assembly, its committees, the Speaker of the House and Members with advisory, procedural, research and administrative support services of a high standard to assist them to effectively undertake their constitutional and Parliamentary duties.

The corporate goals that the House of Assembly works towards, drawn from the Mission Statement, are listed below:

- 1. To support the House in its constitutional role;
- 2. To provide the highest levels of advice and procedural research and administrative services necessary for the effective functioning of the House, its Committees and Members;
- 3. To promote public awareness of the purpose, functions and work of the House and encourage and facilitate visits by the widest possible range of citizens;
- 4. To perform all of its functions at the highest attainable levels of professional competence and efficiency; and
- 5. To be a fair and responsible employer, maximising the potential of all its staff through effective human resource practices.

In meeting these goals, the House of Assembly pursues excellence in professional standards, management standards, skills development, internal and external communication, leadership, and resource allocation.

The corporate goals form the basis of the performance measures implemented. This report summarises the achievements of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly over the financial year 2022-2023. The following chapters provide detailed information on the goals of the House individually and on how efforts are made to meet and exceed these goals.

# Part Two: Corporate Goal One

The first corporate goal of the House of Assembly is to support the House in its constitutional role. This is achieved by implementing and operating under State and Commonwealth legislation; offering procedural support to Members both formally and informally; and the production of printed documents; all of which while maintaining a strict political impartiality.

A general overview of the work of the House of Assembly may be found in this section of the report. Further information on how the office supports the House in its parliamentary role may also be found in Part Three, which deals with corporate goal two: to provide the highest levels of advice and procedural research and administrative services necessary for the effective functioning of the House, its Committees and Members.

Members receive procedural advice from the staff of the House of Assembly both formally and informally. Advice is dispensed formally in the *Standing and Sessional Orders and Rules*, agreed to by the House and published and provided by the House of Assembly staff for each parliamentary session. Informal support is provided within the Chamber, offering procedural information and assisting the Speaker or the Chair of Committees, taking minutes of the proceedings and handling the tabled documents and Bills.

## **Documents and Publications Produced**

The major documents produced by the House are first and foremost documents that support the House in its Constitutional role as part of the Tasmanian Parliament. These include the *Standing and Sessional Orders*, the Votes and Proceedings, the Notice Paper, and the Daily Order of Business. As well as these, the House of Assembly produces documents to assist in the promotion of public awareness of the work of the House, such as the Annual Report and Committee Reports. A comprehensive list of such documents produced in the last financial year is provided below.

**Annual Report 2021-2022** - The annual report on the operations of the House of Assembly (incorporating the House of Assembly Digest for 2021), compiled and presented to the House pursuant to the *Financial Management Act 2016*.

**Committee Reports** - Reports presented by Parliamentary Committees are published as Parliamentary Papers, of which details may be found in the *Index to the Votes and Proceedings*, cited below. Reports may also be accessed according to the Committee who presented it, from the website, <u>https://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/committees</u>. For further information on the Committees of the House of Assembly, see Part Three of this report.

**Member's Handbook -** A guide for Members published following a General Election for Members of the House of Assembly.

**List of Members** - Lists Members alphabetically by name, showing Parliamentary or Ministerial Office, electorate, party, address and phone numbers. The list is continually updated. It is available in a printed copy from the front desk of Parliament House and electronically at <a href="https://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/house-of-assembly/members">https://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/house-of-assembly/members</a>.

**Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day** (published for each sitting day except the first sitting day of a session) - An official list of all business before the House, setting out the order of business to be followed.

50<sup>th</sup> Parliament, 3<sup>rd</sup> session 2022-2023, Nos. 1-44

**Notices of Question** (published for each sitting week except the first sitting week of the session) - An official list of all Questions asked on notice. 50<sup>th</sup> Parliament, 3<sup>rd</sup> session 2022-2023, Nos. 1-14

**Order of Business** (published for each sitting day) - A guide for Members showing those items of business which the House is expected to consider on that day.

**Votes and Proceedings** (published for each sitting) - An official record of the proceedings of the House of Assembly.

50th Parliament, 3rd session 2022-2023, Nos. 1-24

## **Committee Support**

The House of Assembly also supports the Tasmanian Parliament in its Constitutional role through Committee work. This support is administrative: organising meetings, hearings and site inspections, keeping a record of proceedings and compiling reports. Further information on Committees of the Parliament is available in Part Three.

## Legislation Administered by the House of Assembly

The legislation that the Office of the Clerk of the House operates under and administers provides some insight into how the office provides support for the House and its Members. The Department operates under the provisions of the *Constitution Act* 1934, the *Electoral Act* 2004, the *Parliamentary Privilege Act* 1858, 1885, 1898, 1957 and 1979, and the *Parliament House Act* 1962. As part of its

parliamentary function the House of Assembly also administers the *Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act* 2012, the *Public Works Committee Act* 1914, the *Public Accounts Committee Act* 1970, the *Subordinate Legislation Committee Act* 1969, the *Parliamentary (Disclosure of Interests) Act* 1996 and the *Integrity Commission Act* 2009.

# Support for Local Business

The House of Assembly complies with Treasurer's Instruction issued under the Financial Management Act 2016 in relation to procurement.

No tenders were called with a value greater than \$100,000 during the financial year ended 30 June 2023 through the House of Assembly. No consultancy contracts were awarded or acted on during the financial year.

# Part Three: Corporate Goal Two

The House of Assembly aims to provide the highest levels of advice, procedural research and administrative services necessary for the effective functioning of the House, its Committees and Members, as its second corporate goal. In order to achieve this, advice is dispensed as required both formally and informally, through the provision and maintenance of the *Standing and Sessional Orders* and the *Members' Handbook*, as well as through answers to questions as they occur in the Chamber or in Committee. Induction sessions are also held for newly elected Members, advising them about Parliamentary procedure and services available in the House.

Outputs pertaining to this second corporate goal are the support of the lawful operation of the House and support of the lawful operation of the Committees of the House of Assembly and Joint Committees. These are briefly mentioned also in Part Two. Information on these outputs and the related performance measures may be found in Tables One and Two, below.

Agency:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY		
Output	1		
Grouping	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES		
Output No.:	1.1		
Output:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES		
Output Description:	Procedural and administrative support of the House of Assembly and its Members.		
Output Objective:	Support of the lawful operation of the House and fulfilment of Statutory requirements.		
Production System:	Produced by the Office of the Clerk of the House.		
User:	Members of the House of Assembly, Local Government authorities, Public Sector organisations, general public.		
Performance	Performance measures relative to this output are:-		
Measures:	<ul> <li>the extent to which requests for procedural and related advice are answered;</li> </ul>		
	Output: Procedural and related advice has been provided as requested. The Clerk has received no complaints in 2022-2023 as to the dispensation of advice.		
	<ul> <li>the extent to which requests for advice relating to drafting of Private Members' Bills and amendments to Government Bills is provided;</li> </ul>		
	Output: Advice relating to Private Members' Bills and Government Bills has been provided as requested.		
	• the extent to which the documents necessary for each meeting of the House, such as the Notice Paper, the daily program and procedural 'scripts' for the use of participants in proceedings are produced and supplied in an acceptable form and in time for each sitting day; Output: Documents necessary for each meeting of the House have consistently been provided at the appointed times throughout 2022-2023. On no occasion have such procedural and Chamber documents		
	been late or inappropriately provided.		

Table One: Support of the Lawful Operation of the House and fulfilment of Statutory <u>Requirements</u>

The Committees Secretariat is a vital aspect to the achievement of this goal, as it provides research and advice to Members in Committees.

Agency:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY		
Output Grouping	1		
	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES		
Output:	SELECT COMMITTEE SUPPORT SERVICES		
Output Description:	Procedural and administrative support for Select Committees of the House and Joint Committees.		
Output Objective:	Lawful operation of Committees of the House of Assembly and Joint Committees		
Production System:	Produced by the Office of the Clerk of the House through the provision of both written and oral advice and the provision of Committee secretariats.		
User:	Committees of the House of Assembly and Joint Committees		
Units of Output:	This output provides the machinery for the elected Members of the House to produce the relevant outcome, an assessment of 'units produced' therefore is not possible.		
Performance Measures:	<ul> <li>Performance measures relative to this output are:-</li> <li>the extent to which requests for procedural and related advice are answered;</li> <li>Output: Procedural and related advice has been provided as requested. The Clerk has received no complaints in 2022-2023 as to the dispensation of advice.</li> <li>the extent to which support for Parliamentary Committees is provided;</li> <li>Output: All forms of support for Parliamentary Committees has been provided as required in a timely, sensitive and informed manner.</li> <li>the extent to which the documents necessary for meetings of Committees, such as Agendas, submissions and procedural 'scripts' for the use of participants in proceedings were produced and supplied in an acceptable form and in time for such meetings</li> <li>Output: Agendas, submissions and procedural 'scripts' and other such documents were provided for all Committee meetings as required. The first priority in all provision of these documents was allowing Members and participants adequate time for preparation and revision of Committee related documents.</li> </ul>		

Table Two: Support of the Lawful Operation of Committees of the House of Assembly

# House of Assembly Committees Secretariat

The House of Assembly Committees Secretariat supports Joint Standing Committees of the Parliament and Select Committees of the House of Assembly in fulfilling their role as scrutineers of public policy issues and Government legislation. The Secretariat provides procedural advice, researches and analyses issues relating to committee inquiries, drafts committee reports, and provides administrative support.

At 30 June 2023, the Committee Secretaries were:

- Laura Ross, Clerk of the House;
- Stephanie Hesford, Deputy Clerk;
- Vacant, Clerk-Assistant and Sergeant-at-Arms;
- Fiona Murphy, Fourth Clerk-at-the-Table; and
- Scott Hennessy, Parliamentary Officer;

During the 2022- 2023 financial year, the Secretariat provided support services to the following Committees:

- Estimates Committees;
- Gender and Equity Committee;
- Government Businesses Scrutiny Committees;
- House Committee;
- Library Committee;
- Joint Standing Committee on Integrity;
- Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works;
- Privileges and Conduct Committee; and
- Standing Orders Committee.

A summary of the Committee work supported by the Secretariat is set our below:

## Joint Sessional Committee on Gender and Equality

- Function: To inquire into and report upon

  (a) any Bill referred to it by either House in order to examine gender and equality impacts and any such Bill so referred shall be reported upon within 10 sitting days of its referral;
  (b) any matter related to gender and equality referred to it by either House; and
  (c) any matter related to gender and equality, initiated by its own motion

  Members: As at 30 June 2023:
  - Hon Ruth Forrest MLC (Chair); Ms Michelle O'Byrne MP (Deputy Chair); Hon Nick Duigan MLC; Hon Dean Harriss MLC; Ms Kristie Johnston MP; Hon Josh Willie MLC; Dr Rosalie Woodruff MP; and Mr Dean Young MP
- Staff: Secretary: Ms Fiona Murphy and Ms Mary de Groot
- Reports: Short Inquiry Process Report on Gendered High Rates of Suicide Ideation and Suicide in Tasmania

Local Government Amendment (Code of Conduct) Bill 2022, Trial Bill Assessment, Final Report

Meetings: During the reporting period the Committee met on 13 occasions.

### Joint Standing Committee on Integrity

Function: The functions of the Committee are set out in section 24 of the *Integrity Commission Act 2009*, which provides as follows:

#### 24. Functions and powers of Joint Committee

(1) The Joint Committee has the following functions:

(a) to monitor and review the performance of the functions of an integrity entity;

(b) to report to both Houses of Parliament, as it considers appropriate, on the following matters:

(i) matters relevant to an integrity entity;

(ii) matters relevant to the performance of an integrity entity's functions or the exercise of an integrity entity's powers;

(c) to examine the annual reports of an integrity entity and any other report of an integrity entity and report to both Houses of Parliament on any matter appearing in or arising out of such reports; (d) to report to the Legislative Council or House of Assembly on any matter relevant to an integrity entity's functions that is referred to it by the Legislative Council or House of Assembly; (e) to review the functions, powers and operations of the Integrity Commission at the expiration of the period of 3 years commencing on the commencement of this section and to table in both Houses of Parliament a report regarding any action that should be taken in relation to this Act or the functions, powers and operations of the Integrity Commission; (f) to provide guidance and advice relating to the functions of an integrity entity under this Act; (g) to refer any matter to the Integrity Commission for investigation or advice;

(h) to comment on proposed appointments to be made under section 14(1)(e), (f) or (g), section 15 and section 27.

(2) Nothing in this Part authorises the Joint Committee –
(a) to investigate any matter relating to a complaint
that is being dealt with by the Integrity Commission;
or
(b) to review a decision of the Integrity Commission
to investigate, not investigate or discontinue an
investigation or inquire into or not inquire into a
particular complaint; or
(c) to make findings, recommendations,
determinations or decisions in relation to a particular
investigation or inquiry of a complaint that is being or
has been dealt with by the Integrity Commission.
s at 30 June 2023.

- Members: As at 30 June 2023: Hon. Rob Valentine MLC (Chair); Hon. Rosemary Armitage MLC (Deputy Chair); Hon. Jo Palmer MLC; Hon. Nic Street MP; Ms Michelle O'Byrne MP; and The Speaker, Hon. Mark Shelton MP
- Staff: Secretary: Ms Fiona Murphy
- Reports: Joint Standing Committee on Integrity Annual Report 2022.
- Meetings: During the reporting period the Committee met on 11 occasions.

### Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

Function: The Public Works Committee is established pursuant to the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act* (No. 32 of 1914). The Committee considers and reports upon every proposed public work where the estimated cost of completing the work exceeds \$15,000,000 for roads and bridges works, or \$8,000,000 for building and construction works.

The Committee has regard to: the stated purpose of the works; the necessity or advisability of carrying it out; the amount of revenue which it may reasonably be expected to produce; and the present and prospective public value of the work.

Members: At 30 June 2023: Hon. Rob Valentine MLC (Chair), Hon. Tania Rattray MLC, Ms Jenna Butler MP, Mr John Tucker MP and Mr Simon Wood MP.

Staff:	Secretary: Mr Scott Hennessy		
Reports:	Tasman Bridge Upgrades		
	Glenorchy Ambulance Station		
	Major Redevelopment of Cosgrove High School		
	Southern Outlet Transit Lane		
	Huon Link Road		
	Major Redevelopment of Exeter High School		
	Murchison Highway Corridor Upgrade-Stitt River Bridge to Henty Main Road		
Meetings:	During the reporting period, the Committee met on 14 occasions, such meetings being held in Hobart, Launceston, Queenstown,.		

# Part Four: Corporate Goal Three

The Parliament and so the House of Assembly can only fulfil its constitutional role when guided by and accountable to the citizens it represents. The third corporate goal of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly is to promote public awareness of the purpose, functions and work of the House and encourage and facilitate visits by the widest possible range of citizens.

The House of Assembly has a dedicated Education Office which aims to educate Tasmanian students and community groups about the Parliament, through education programs, tours, role plays and observing Parliament in action. The House of Assembly is also the base for several programs designed to educate the public about the parliamentary process, including the Youth Parliament and the Adult Education program, Corridors of Power. In addition, public awareness of current parliamentary business is raised through media releases and maintaining the contact list through which citizens are able to communicate with Members.

At the end of this chapter, the contact details for the House are listed. These contact details may also be found on the Parliament internet site and are available from the entrance foyer of Parliament House. Output information relevant to this section may be found in Table Three.

Agency:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY	
Output Grouping:	1	
	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES	
Output Number:	1.1	
Output:	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY SUPPORT SERVICES	
Output description:	Promoting public involvement in the working of Parliament.	
Output objective:	Lawful operation of the House, fulfilment of Statutory requirements and the	
	promotion of the role of Parliament.	
Production System:	Produced by the Office of the Clerk of the House.	
User:	Members of the House of Assembly, Local Government authorities, general public.	
Performance Measures:	Performance measures relative to this output are:-	
	• the level of availability of information on the role and operations of the House and the Parliament through the media of:-	
	1. informal briefings;	
	2. publications of the House; or	
	3. electronically through the website.	
	Output: Informal briefings on the role and operations of the House are provided as	
	requested and where appropriate. Publications of the House are both informative	
	and available. The Parliament website is continuously updated as changes occur.	
	It also provides a substantial amount of information on the history and operations	
	of Parliament and the Tasmanian electoral system.	

• the extent to which inquiries about the House and related matters were responded to; Output: Inquiries about the House and related matters have been responded to as required.
<ul> <li>the extent of support to organisations interested in the role of the House and the Parliament.</li> <li>Output: Support for such agencies has been provided as appropriate.</li> </ul>

Table Three: Promotion of public involvement in the working of the Parliament

The Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly also assists in maintaining the Parliament website, from which citizens can inform themselves on the work of the House of Assembly and the Parliament as a whole. Web casts of proceedings for both the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council are available at all sitting times for those interested but unable to attend. Full transcripts of the business of both Houses are available through the Hansard database. Additionally, members of the public can view current Bills before Parliament and follow their progress through both Houses from the Passage of Bills database also available on the website. Information on Committees, including details of current and archived inquiries, reports and transcripts, as well as information on appearing as a witness before a Committee and providing submissions can also be found. The website also provides information on the history of the Tasmanian Parliament and electoral system.

The House of Assembly fulfils the third corporate goal by supporting educational programs for all ages. The following information provides more detail on the ways through which it has promoted public awareness of the purpose, functions and work of the House during 2022-2023.

# House of Assembly Education Office Overview

The 2022-2023 financial year marked the eighth year of operation of the House of Assembly Education Office (HAEO). The HAEO aims to deliver high-quality parliamentary education services to teachers and students across Tasmania. The HAEO also delivers programs to community organisations and, when required, the public. Usually, programs include outreach visits, guided tours, role-plays, online lessons, observing Parliament, and question and answer sessions with Members of Parliament.

# Staffing

The HAEO has a staffing of two Education Officers with the assistance of the Parliamentary Officer – Community Engagement and the Parliamentary

Assistants. Additionally, the office is under the supervision of the Second Clerk-Assistant.

# **Unforeseen outcomes of COVID-19**

The 2022-2023 financial year saw the resumption of nearly all HAEO programs after the significant disruption of COVID-19. However, visitor numbers were lower than pre-pandemic years. The HAEO cannot clearly identify the causation of this, but it is possible that there was some "excursion hesitancy" from schools, evidenced by the lower visitor numbers in the first half of this financial year (35%) compared with the second half of the financial year (65%). While visitor numbers significantly increased with the start of the 2023 school year, it highlighted the need for the HAEO to reach out to schools. This mindset drove the HAEO to implement a rebate, the *Tasmanian Regional School Travel Rebate* (TRSTR), alongside forward planning for the resumption of the *HAEO School Outreach Program*.

# Tasmanian Regional School Travel Rebate (TRSTR)

The *Tasmanian Regional School Travel Rebate* (TRSTR) was launched in July 2022, offering a subsidy for schools more than 75km from Hobart to travel to Parliament House and take part in a House of Assembly Education Office (HAEO) program. The rebate offers \$200 to an eligible school visiting for a day trip, and \$400 for a school requiring an overnight stay to visit. The rebate is limited to 20 schools per year. All schools eligible for the rebate were informed of the rebate with a letter from the Speaker of the House of Assembly explaining the program, and it is featured on the Parliament of Tasmania website.

In its first financial year of operation the scheme has been used by 17 schools, with a total cost of \$6000. Terms 3 and 4 in 2022 were undersubscribed, with 6 of the possible 10 schools taking up the offer. Terms 1 and 2 2023 were fully subscribed by April 2023. The HAEO conducted an anonymous survey of schools who used the rebate in its first year and found that the existence of the rebate played a key role in the decision to visit Parliament for 50% of respondents. Additionally, of the 17 schools who used the rebate, 6 had never visited Parliament House before.

# Online programs

The HAEO's three age-differentiated online lessons allow schools to participate in a HAEO program but remain at school. While the overall feedback from teachers indicates they would prefer to visit Parliament House, the online lesson itself has very good teacher feedback. It opens access to parliamentary education to all Tasmanian schools but avoids the challenges of an excursion, particularly in uncertain times. At the conclusion of the 2022-2023 financial year, 15 schools had participated in an online lesson, generating 23 individual lessons, with 579 students and 25 adults as participants.

# School programs at Parliament House

House of Assembly school role-plays resumed in July 2022, the final HAEO program to recommence after the pandemic. At the conclusion of the 2022-2023 financial year, 2174 students and adults, or 88 classes, had participated in a non-sitting day HAEO education program. 1404 of these visitors participated in a guided tour and role-play program (65%), and 770 visitors undertook a guided tour (35%).

Additionally, 1039 school visitors, or 48 classes, attended on a House of Assembly sitting day to observe Parliament.

# Youth Parliament

The YMCA Youth Parliament is an annual event conducted using the facilities of Parliament House. Unfortunately, the 2022 event did not proceed due to the lack of an organising taskforce. However, planning for the 2023 event has resumed. Website and Education Resources

The HAEO continues to have a presence on the Parliament of Tasmania website. With the Parliament of Tasmania moving to a new website platform during this financial year, the HAEO worked on the backend of the website to ensure continued access to information about Parliament for both schools and the general public.

The HAEO continues to work behind the scenes on education resources. Over time, these resources will be available on the Parliament of Tasmania website for easy access for schools and other interested groups across Tasmania.

# Outlook

At the conclusion of the 2022-2023 financial year, nearly all HAEO programs have restarted following the pandemic, and the HAEO hopes to see all programs resume in the 2023-2024 financial year.

The House of Assembly Education Office is looking forward to continuing to support Tasmanian school students in their parliamentary education.

# Tour Figures

2022 to 2023

	Stud	ents	Pul	olic	То	tal
Month	No/s	Groups	No/s	Groups	No/s	Groups
July	250	9	34	12	284	21
2022						
August	298	11	16	7	314	18
September	134	6	8	5	142	11
October	-	-	36	15	36	15
November	142	7	55	12	197	19
December	14	1	58	16	72	17
January 2023	-	-	59	20	59	20
February	74	4	52	18	126	22
March	121	6	37	12	158	18
April	37	2	32	10	69	12
May	544	21	43	14	587	35
June	560	21	19	9	579	30
Totals:	2,174	88	449	150	2,623	238

The table consists of data taken on non-sitting days, and covers tours conducted by the House of Assembly Parliamentary Assistants and/or the House of Assembly Education Officers.

Please note that the following data is not included -

• Student groups and members of the public who attended Question Time in the Public Gallery, and

Tours personally conducted privately by a Member of Parliament.

# Contact Points and Officers (as at 30 June 2023)

Postal Addr	<u>cess</u> :	Internet Address:
Parlia	se of Assembly ament House ART TAS 7000	http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/
Enquiries:		
Gene	eral	Ph: (03) 6212 2200
Pape	rs Office	Ph: (03) 6212 2381
Office Hold	<u>ers</u> :	
Speal	ker	Hon. Mark Shelton MP
Ра	arliament House	Ph: (03) 6212 2214
L	ongford	Ph: (03) 6324 2080
-	ity Speaker Chair of Committees	John Tucker MP
Pa	arliament House	Ph: (03) 6212 2102
So	orell	Ph: (03) 6212 2383

Executive Officers at 30 June 2023

Clerk of the House

Laura Ross Ph: (03) 6212 2374

Deputy Clerk

Stephanie Hesford Ph: (03) 6212 2211

Clerk-Assistant and Sergeant-at-Arms Vacant Ph: (03) 6212 2366

Fourth Clerk-at-the-Table

Fiona Murphy Ph: (03) 6212 2220

# Part Five: Corporate Goal Four

The fourth of the corporate goals of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly is to perform all of its functions at the highest attainable levels of professional competence and efficiency. In order to maximise staff proficiency and attain the best possible outputs, the following two strategies are employed. Firstly, the House provides excellent human resource management and so maintains an optimum performance level from all staff members. In addition, the Office of the Clerk of the House remains accountable to the general public and the legal system within which it operates. Both these approaches are vital for the continuing best possible operation of the House.

## Training

Staff development and training is integral to the successful functioning of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly. Such tuition assists staff to conduct their business more efficiently. The subjects covered by training courses that were undertaken by staff members in 2022-2023 included: management development and first aid.

## **Equal Employment Opportunity**

The House of Assembly is an equal opportunity employer. Representation of House of Assembly staff in equal employment opportunity target groups can be summarised as follows:-

- (i) 71% of staff are women;
- (ii) 0% of staff are Aboriginal or of Torres Strait Islander descent; and
- (iii) 0% of staff are disabled.

# **Industrial Democracy**

The House has a co-operative approach to decision making. Because of the small number of employees in the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly, direct and immediate consultation between staff and executive officers is readily available and encouraged. Formal channels of conflict resolution are also accessible by staff of the House.

# Work Health and Safety

Management of the House of Assembly is firmly committed to enabling all work activities to be carried out safely, and as far as reasonably practicable, the

health and safety of all workers, contractors, visitors, and other relevant persons.

The House of Assembly is committed to ensuring compliance with the Work Health and Safety Act 2012, the Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012, relevant Codes of Practice and relevant Australian Standards.

The House of Assembly has relevant policies that seek to ensure the safety of staff and others, including a Workplace Health and Safety Policy, Workplace Behaviour Policy and Procedure and Code of Conduct for House of Assembly staff.

The House of Assembly conducts safety programs for staff as required, including professional ergonomic assessments of all staff work areas to ensure they are safe and fit for purpose.

## Superannuation Declaration

I, Laura Elizabeth Ross, hereby certify that the House of Assembly has met its obligations under the *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act* 1992 of the Commonwealth in respect of any employee who is a member of a complying superannuation scheme to which the House of Assembly contributes.

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Laura Ross **Clerk of the House of Assembly** 

The second means by which the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly meets its corporate goal of performing all of its functions at the highest attainable levels of professional competence and efficiency is through remaining open and accountable to the community it serves. The following are the ways through which the Office of the Clerk of the House maintains its external scrutiny.

# **Reports by the Auditor-General**

The report of the Auditor-General, dated 30 October 2023, on the financial statements, notes and supplementary information for the House of Assembly for the year ended 30 June 2023 is appended hereto.

This Report found that the financial statements complied with statutory requirements and met applicable accounting standards. The Audit Report on the financial statements was unqualified.

## **Decisions of Courts and Administrative Tribunals**

The House of Assembly is not aware of any judicial decisions, or decisions of administrative tribunals, handed down during the year which have significantly affected, or could significantly affect, the operation of the Department.

## **Client Comments**

The major client group of the House of Assembly is the Members of the House. The relationship between the client group and the staff of the House is direct and immediate and the House has not yet had the need for structured and formal arrangements to handle complaints should they arise.

# **Public Interest Disclosures**

The House of Assembly operates under the provisions of the *Public Interest Disclosure Act* 2002. The House of Assembly supports the aims and objectives of this Act and does not tolerate improper conduct by Members of the House, its employees or officers, or the taking of detrimental action against those who come forward to disclose such conduct.

Pursuant to Section Part 7 of the Act, the House of Assembly has procedures that establish a system for reporting disclosures of improper conduct or detrimental action by the House of Assembly or, officers or employees of the House of Assembly, or Members of the House of Assembly. The procedures are also intended to assist officers and employees to understand the way in which the Act operates and needs to be administered. The procedures established by the House of Assembly are available on the Parliament of Tasmania website at:

http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/ha/Public%20Interest%20Disclosures%20Act%2 0Procedures.pdf

The following table provides the information required to be published by the House of Assembly in the Annual Report under Section 86 of the *Public Interest Disclosures Act* 2002:

The number and types of disclosures made to the House of Assembly	Total number of disclosures made - 0
The number of disclosures determined to be public interest disclosures	0
The number of disclosures investigated	0
The number and types of disclosed matters referred to the House of Assembly by the Ombudsman	0
The number and types of disclosed matters referred by the House of Assembly to the Ombudsman to investigate	0
The number and types of investigations of disclosed matters taken over by the Ombudsman from the House of Assembly	0
The number and types of disclosed matters that the House of Assembly has decided not to investigate	0
The number and types of disclosed matters that were substantiated upon investigation and the action taken on completion of the investigation	0
Any recommendations under the Act made by the Ombudsman that relate to the House of Assembly	0

# Part Six: Corporate Goal Five

The fifth and final corporate goal of the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly is to be a fair and responsible employer, maximising the potential of all members of staff through effective human resource practices. Much of the information relating to this corporate goal is provided in Part Five, amongst the details on staff training, development and security. However, further to the information supplied in the previous chapter, the following section provides details on the organisational structure of the Office of the Clerk of the House, as well as staffing information, and asset and risk management. Output table four, also included in this section, advises on the remuneration of employees. The Financial Statements chapter of this report offers further information on this area.

### **Staff Information**

Members of staff of the House of Assembly are employed pursuant to the provisions of the *Parliamentary Privilege Act 1898*. The total number of employees of the Office of the Clerk of the House for 2022-23 was 14, with the employment level being 13.4 full time equivalents, as at 30 June 2023. During the last financial year, the Office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly spent \$2.286m on employee benefits. During the course of the year there was 1 staffing separation, and there were no new hires.

### **Staff Dissection**

	FTEs
Clerks at-the-Table	3 (+1
vacant)	
Clerk of Papers	1
Manager - Finance	1
Parliamentary Officer	1.8
Parliamentary Assistants	3.8
Personal Assistants	1
Education Officer	1.8
TOTAL	13.4

Agonau	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY	
Agency:		
Output Grouping (No &	2	
name):	PAYMENTS ADMINISTERED BY THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY	
Output No.:	2.1	
Output:	PAYMENTS ADMINISTERED BY THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY	
Output Description:	Payment of salary and allowances as prescribed by the <i>Parliamentary Salaries</i> , <i>Superannuation and Allowances Act</i> 2012.	
Output objective:	Disbursement of prescribed payments.	
Production System:	Office of the Clerk of the House	
User:	Members of the House of Assembly.	
Units of output:	Not Applicable	
Performance Measures:	Performance measures relative to this output are:-	
	• the extent to which payments of salaries and allowances to Members are prepared with due regard to accuracy and timeliness;	
	Output: Throughout the 2022-2023 financial year, payments of salaries and allowances have consistently been provided in an accurate and timely manner.	
	• the extent of verification of travel allowance claims to ensure their correctness Output: Travel allowance and such claims are regularly verified to ensure accuracy.	
	<ul> <li>the extent of maintaining effective control over the expenditure of the Office to ensure that all payments are properly authorised and timely in processing and that the total expenditure of the Office is within budget parameters.</li> <li>Output: The management of the expenditure of the Office has at all times throughout the financial year 2022-2023 remained properly authorised and within budget parameters.</li> </ul>	

Table Four: Payments Administered by the House of Assembly

The organisational structure of the Office of the Clerk of the House is illustrated on the following page, offering additional information on the above.

## Asset Management

The House of Assembly Accounting Manual prescribes the management processes to be followed in relation to the Inventory and Asset Register.

## **Risk Management**

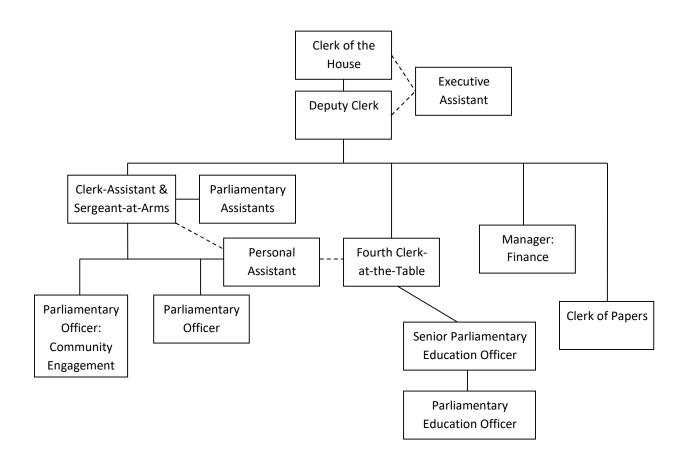
The Parliament of Tasmania Finance Manual prescribes the administrative procedures and practices of the House of Assembly in relation to risk management.

The House of Assembly is represented on the Parliament of Tasmania Audit and Risk Management Committee, which consists of the Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Council, Deputy Clerk of the House of Assembly and an independent Chair. The Audit and Risk Management Committee oversees the internal and external audit functions and assists to identify and manage risks across the Legislative Council, House of Assembly and Legislature-General.

# **Corporate/Program Structure**

The corporate and program structure of the House are one and the same.

# **Organisation Chart**





# PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA

# HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY DIGEST

2022



# HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY DIGEST

# For the Period 1 January to 31 December 2022

# First, Second and Third Sessions of the Fiftieth Parliament

# Sessional Summary No. 39

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Acts of Parliament are accessible on the Internet at the following address: http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/ Bills and Printed Papers are available from the Clerk of Paper's Office, House of Assembly, Parliament House, Hobart, 7000.

General enquiries regarding the Digest can be made by contacting the Clerk-Assistant and Sergeant-at-Arms (03) 6212 2211.

The Internet address of the Parliament of Tasmania is: http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/

### FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD SESSIONS OF THE FIFTIETH PARLIAMENT

# AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022 PRESIDING OFFICERS

The Speaker The Honourable Mark Shelton, MP

> Chair of Committees John Tucker, MP

Deputy Chair of Committees Lara Alexander, MP Simon Wood MP

The Governor The Honourable Barbara Baker, AC

The Lieutenant-Governor The Honourable Justice Alan Blow OAM

#### THE MINISTRY AND OFFICE BEARERS

Premier

The Honourable Jeremy Page Rockliff MP, Premier, Minister for Health, Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing, Minister for Tourism, Minister for Trade.

**Deputy Premier** 

The Honourable Michael Darrell Joseph Ferguson MP, Deputy Premier, Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Minister for Planning.

Ministry

The Honourable Elise Nicole Arche, MP, Attorney-General, Minister for Justice, Minister for Corrections and Rehabilitation, Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs and Minister for the Arts.

The Honourable Guy Barnett MP, Minister for Energy and Renewables, Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing and Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

The Honourable Felix Ashton Ellis MP, Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management, Minister for Resources, Minister for Skills, Training and Workforce Growth.

The Honourable Roger Charles Jaensch MP, Minister for Education, Children and Youth, Minister for Environment and Climate Change, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Minister for Parks.

The Honourable Madeleine Ruth Ogilvie MP, Minister for Advanced Manufacturing and Defence Industries, Minister for Science and Technology, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Racing and Minister for Heritage.

The Honourable Nicholas Adam Street MP, Minister for Community Services and Development, Minister for and Minister for Hospitality and Events, Minister for Sport and Recreation, Minister for Local Government and Leader of the House.

Leader of the Opposition The Honourable Rebecca White MP.

Deputy Leader of the Opposition Ms Anita Joy Dow MP.

Whips

Government: Ms Lara Maria Alexander MP. Opposition: Ms Michelle Anne O'Byrne MP. Greens: Dr Rosalie Woodruff MP.

#### ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MEMBERS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

ALEXANDER, Lara Maria, B.A (Hons) Economics, CPA	Bass	LP
ARCHER, The Honourable Elise Nicole, LLB	Clark	LP
BARNETT, The Honourable Guy LLM	Lyons	LP
BROAD, Dr Shane Thomas B.Agr.Sc PhD	Braddon	ALP
BUTLER, Jenna (Jen), MHRM BA	Lyons	ALP
DOW, Anita Joy, B.N	Braddon	ALP
ELLIS, The Honourable Felix Ashton	Braddon	LP
FERGUSON, The Honourable Michael Darrel Joseph, B.App.Sci, B. Ed, TTC	Bass	LP
FINLAY, Janie, BA	Bass	ALP
HADDAD, Eloise Rafia (Ella), BA, LLB	Clark	ALP
JAENSCH, The Honourable Roger Charles B.Sc (Hons)	Braddon	ALP
JOHNSTON, Kristie Joy, BA LLB MCrimCorr	Clark	Ind
O'BYRNE, David James B.L.S	Franklin	ALP
O'BYRNE, Michelle Anne, BA	Bass	ALP
O'CONNOR, Cassandra Stanwell ( <u>Cassy</u> )	Clark	TG
OGILVIE, The Honourable Madeleine Ruth, BA LLB GCM	Clark	LP
ROCKLIFF, The Honourable Jeremy Page, Dip. Farm Mgmt	Braddon	LP
SHELTON, The Honourable Mark David	Lyons	LP
STREET, The Honourable Nicholas Adam (Nic)	Franklin	LP
TUCKER, John Ewart	Lyons	LP
WHITE, The Honourable Rebecca, BA, B.Com	Lyons	ALP
WINTER, Dean, B.Ec	Franklin	ALP
WOOD, Simon Robert Francis	Bass	LP
WOODRUFF, Dr Rosalie, BA, MPH, PhD	Franklin	TG
YOUNG, Dean Geoffrey, BCom, GDIPLAW, CPA	Franklin	LP

### FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD SESSION OF THE FIFTIETH PARLIAMENT

## AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022 **OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

Clerk of the House of Assembly	Shane Gerard Donnelly, BA
Deputy Clerk	Laura Elizabeth Ross, BA, LLB (Honours)
Clerk-Assistant and Sergeant-at-Arms	Stephanie Kate Hesford, B.Soc.Sci (Honours).
Fourth Clerk-at-the-Table	Fiona Murphy BA, GCCrimCorr, BCCJ, and LLB.
Clerk of Papers	Alison Morrison

### **OFFICERS OF THE PARLIAMENT**

Editor of Debates	Helen Allmich
Parliamentary Librarian	Marijana Bacic

### JOINT COMMITTEES OF THE PARLIAMENT

#### House of Assembly

**Standing Committee on Public** Works

Secretary - Mr S.W. Hennessy

**Standing Committee of Public** Accounts

Acting Secretary - Mr S. Scott

Standing Committee on Subordinate Legislation

Secretary - Ms J. Thompson

**House Committee** 

Secretary - Ms S. Hesford

Library Committee

Secretary - Ms L.E. Ross

Integrity

Ms J. Butler Mr J.E. Tucker Mr S.R.F. Wood

Ms L.M. Alexander Dr S.T. Broad Mr D.G. Young

Ms J. Finlay Mr S.R.F. Wood Mr D.G. Young

The Speaker (Chair) Mr J.E. Tucker Mr D. Winter

The Speaker Ms L.M. Alexander Dr S.T Broad Ms A.J. Dow Mr J.E. Tucker Mr D.G. Young

Hon N.A. Street Ms M.A. O'Byrne Legislative Council

Hon. T.V. Rattray Hon R.H.F Valentine (Chair)

Hon R. J. Forrest (Chair) Hon M Webb Hon J.B. Willie

Hon T. V. Rattray (Chair) Hon R. J. Forrest Hon L.A. Hiscutt

The President Hon R.J. Forrest Hon L.A. Hiscutt

The President (Chair) Hon. R.L. Armitage Hon R. J. Forrest Hon J. Howlett Hon T. V. Rattray Hon R.H.F. Valentine

Hon. R.L. Armitage Hon J.L. Palmer

Secretary – Ms F.J. Murphy	The Speaker, Hon M.D. Shelton	Hon R.H.F. Valentine(Chair)
Joint Sessional Committee	Ms L.M. Alexander	Hon R. J. Forrest (Chair)
Gender and Equality	Ms M.A. O'Byrne Dr R. Woodruff Mr D.G. Young	Hon. N.J.H. Duigan Hon D.A. Harriss Hon. J.B. Willie
Secretary – Ms F.J. Murphy and Ms M. de Groot		
Joint Sessional Committee Workplace Culture Oversight	The Speaker Hon J.P. Rockliff (Chair) Ms C.S. O'Connor	The President Hon R. J. Forrest Hon L.A. Hiscutt

Secretary - Ms J. Thompson

Ms C.S. O'ConnorHon L.A. HiscuHon R. WhiteHon. S. Lovell

# COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

Privileges	The Speaker (Chair) The Chair of Committees Hon. M.D.J Ferguson Hon N.A. Street Ms E.R. Haddad Ms C.S. O'Connor Mr D. Winter
Standing Orders	Secretary - Mr S.G. Donnelly The Speaker (Chair) The Chair of Committees Hon N.A. Street Hon R. White Mr D. Winter

Secretary - Mr S.G. Donnelly

# THE BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE DURING 2022

### GENERAL SUMMARY

Number of Sitting Days of the House	
Number of Sitting Days - Budget Estimates, and Government Businesses	
Scrutiny Committees	6
Total Hours sat from Meeting to Adjournment (excluding Committees)	398 hrs 3 mins
Average length of each Day's Sitting	8 hrs 51 mins
Total number of Questions placed on Notice	
Total number of Questions asked without Notice	
Total number of Ministerial Statements	3
Matters of Public Importance raised	
Want of Confidence Motions	0

### **BILLS SUMMARY**

Bills Introduced into House of Assembly	50
Resumed from previous session	
Received from Legislative Council	
Referred to Select Committee	
Second Reading	
Agreed to and read Second time	41
Negatived upon Second Reading	
Committal to Committee of the whole House Negatived	0
Third Reading	41
Legislative Council	
Agreed to by Council without amendment	33
Agreed to by Council with amendment	8
Bills amended by Council and agreed to by House	8
Agreed to by both Houses	42
Received Royal Assent	42
Miscellaneous	
Bills Withdrawn	0
Bills Declared Urgent	1
Bills debated under suspension of standing orders	
Lapsed due to Prorogation	
Bills ruled out of Order	
Total Number of Private Members Bills	3

#### RESOLUTIONS

Harriss, Andrew Paul, 25 October. Queen Elizabeth II, 13 September. Bingham, The Hon Sir Eardley Max Q.C, 2 March Willey, Mary Lindsay Caroline, 2 March

#### MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS

Keeping Children and Young People Safe, 24 May. Commission of Inquiry - Update on Interim Response, 16 August. Ashley Youth Detention Centre - Response to Commission of Inquiry, 6 September

#### PETITIONS PRESENTED TO THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

Application for 50 Wind Turbines at St Patricks Plains, 8 March. Birralee Road - Freight Curfew, 26 October. Burnie Court House, 10 March (2) Community Opposition to Private Development in National Parks, 17 August. Consistent Speed Limits - Channel Highway, 3 March COVID-19 - Lifting Requirements for Vaccines and Masks, 16 June. Declaration of Foxglove as a Weed, 26 October. Finfish Farming Moratorium and Legislative Council Inquiry Report, 19 October (2). General Practitioner Services in Ouse, 29 September. Greyhound Industry - End Taxpayer Subsidy, 14 June. Health Workers - Recruitment and Retention, 2 June. Housing Crisis, 31 May. Legislative Council Inquiry Report into Finfish Farming and Salmon Industry, 19 October (2). Masks in Health and Care Settings - Reinstatement, 16 August. Prohibition of LGBTIQA+ Conversion Practices, 24 November (2). Restoring the Size of the Membership of the House of Assembly, 25 May. Support for StudentWorks Model, 24 November. Wind Farms - Deferral of Development, 4 May. Under-Resourcing of Ambulance Tasmania, 10 March.

#### PAPERS TABLED AND ORDERED TO BE PRINTED

14.	Auditor-General: Report No. 5 of 2021-22 – Report on the Financial Statements of State entities, Volume 2 Audit of State entities and audited subsidiaries of State entities: 31 December 2020 and 30 June 2021.
19.	Auditor-General: Report No. 6 of 2021-22 – Accessing Services for the Safety and Wellbeing of Children and Young People – the Strong Families, Safe Kids Advice and Referral Line, 21 June 2022.
20.	Auditor-General: Report No. 7 of 2021-22 - COVID-19 - Response to Social Impacts: Mental Health and Digital Inclusion, 29 June 2022.
23.	Auditor-General: Report No. 1 of 2022-23 – Improving Outcomes for Tasmanian Senior Secondary Students.
32.	Auditor-General: Report No. 2 of 2022-23 – Report on the Financial Statements of State entities, Volume 1 Audit of State entities and audited subsidiaries of State entities: 31 December 2021 and 30 June 2022.
15 (I C)	Government Administration Committee 'A', Legislative Council: Report on Finfish Farming in Tasmania.
	Government Administration Committee 'A', Legislative Council: Report on Rural Health Services in Tasmania.
30. (L.C.)	Government Administration Committee 'A', Legislative Council: Short Inquiry Process Report on the Roy Fagan
12 (1 (2))	Centre.
· · · ·	Government Administration Committee 'B', Legislative Council: Report on Disability Services in Tasmania.
33.	Integrity, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Annual Report 2022.
9.	Public Accounts, Parliamentary Standing Committee of: Review of the Auditor-General's Report No. 11 of 2018-19:
	Performance of Tasmania's Four Major Hospitals in the Delivery of Emergency Department Services.
17.	Public Accounts, Parliamentary Standing Committee of: Review of Selected Public Works Committee Reports – 27 of
	2015: Midland Highway, Mangalore to Bagdad Stage 1 and Midland Highway, Kempton to Melton Mowbray Stage 1;
	and 28 of 2015: Midland Highway, Perth to Breadalbane Duplication.
27.	Public Accounts, Parliamentary Standing Committee of: Review of Selected Public Works Committee Reports - 41 of
	2020: Sorell Emergency Services Hub; and 15 of 2020: Major Redevelopment of Sorell School.
28.	Public Accounts, Parliamentary Standing Committee of: Annual Report 2021-22.
1.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Illawarra Main Road Upgrade.
2.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on New Brighton High School.
3.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on New Legana Primary School.
4.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Royal Hobart Hospital Stage 2 - J Black Redevelopment.
7.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Burnie Ambulance Station.
8.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Burnie Court Complex.
10.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Tasman Highway – Sideling Upgrade.
11.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Royal Hobart Hospital Emergency Department
	Expansion Stage 1.
21.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Mental Health Service St John's Park Facility.
25.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Tasman Bridge Upgrades.
2 <i>5</i> . 26.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Glenorchy Ambulance Station.
20. 29.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Major Redevelopment of Cosgrove High School.
29. 34.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Southern Outlet Transit Lane.
3 <del>4</del> . 35.	Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Report on Southern Outer Transit Lane.
	Road Safety in Tasmania, Legislative Council Select Committee: Final Report.
5.	Subordinate Legislation, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Scrutiny of Notices Issued Under Sections 13, 15 and 19 of the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020 (Land Use Planning and Approvals Act
	1993) – Report 18.
6.	Subordinate Legislation, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Scrutiny of Notice Issued Under Section 20 of the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020 (Magistrates Court – Electronic Service and
	Witnessing) and Scrutiny of Notice Issued Under Section 20 of the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous
	Provisions) Act 2020 (Magistrates Court – Proceedings)– Report 19.
12.	Subordinate Legislation, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Inquiry into the Crown Land Regulations 2021 (S.R.
	2021, No. 87)

- Subordinate Legislation, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Scrutiny of Notice Issued under Section 20 of the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020 (Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal), 18. Scrutiny of Notice Issued under Section 11 and 17 of the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020 (Local Government), Scrutiny of Notice Issued under Section 11, 18 and 19 of the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020 (Local Government), and Scrutiny of Notice Issued under Section 20 of the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020 (Supreme Court) – Report 20.
- 22. 24.
- Subordinate Legislation, Parliamentary Standing Committee on: Inquiry into the Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulations 2021 (S.R. 2021, No. 93).

## **BILLS 2022**

No.	Year	Bill_Name	Introduced_By	HA_1st	HA_2RM	HA_2R	HA_Comm	HA_Reported	HA_3rd	Royal_assent	Act_Number	HA_Negative
57	2022	Police Powers (Surveillance Devices) Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	24/11/2022								
56	2022	Mental Health Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing	23/11/2022								
55	2022	Justice Miscellaneous (Royal Commission Amendments) Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	22/11/2022	24/11/2022	24/11/2022			24/11/2022			
54	2022	Child and Youth Safe Organisations Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	22/11/2022								
53	2022	Electricity Supply Industry Amendment (Cap Power Prices) Bill 2022	Mr Winter	10/11/2022	23/11/2022							23/11/2022
52	2022	Local Government Amendment (Code of Conduct) Bill 2022	Minister for Local Government	10/11/2022								
51	2022	Corrections Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Corrections and Rehabilitation	9/11/2022								
50	2022	Land Titles Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Parks	9/11/2022								
49	2022	Appropriation (Supplementary Appropriation for 2022-23) Bill 2022	The Treasurer	8/11/2022	10/11/2022	10/11/2022			10/11/2022	30/11/2022	37 of 2022	
48	2022	Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs	26/10/2022	8/11/2022	9/11/2022			9/11/2022	14/12/2022	41 of 2022	
47	2022	Expansion of House of Assembly Bill 2022	The Premier	27/10/2022	10/11/2022	10/11/2022			10/11/2022	14/12/2022	40 of 2022	
46	2022	Environmental Management and Pollution Control Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Environment and Climate Change	18/10/2022	25/10/2022	25/10/2022	25/10/2022	25/10/2022	25/10/2022	14/12/2022	42 of 2022	
45	2022	Legal Profession Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	19/10/2022	27/10/2022	27/10/2022			27/10/2022	30/11/2022	34 of 2022	
44	2022	Residential Building (Miscellaneous Consumer Protection Amendments) Bill 2022	Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs	29/09/2022								
43	2022	Justice and Related Legislation Miscellaneous Amendments	Minister for Justice	29/09/2022	18/10/2022	25/10/2022	25/10/2022	25/10/2022	25/10/2022			
42	2022	Animal Welfare Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing	28/09/2022	26/10/2022	26/10/2022	26/10/2022	27/10/2022	27/10/2022	30/11/2022	36 of 2022	
41	2022	Justice Miscellaneous (Advance Care Directives) Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	27/09/2022	29/09/2022	29/09/2022			29/09/2022	10/11/2022	28 of 2022	
40	2022	Statutory Holidays Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs	27/09/2022	27/09/2022	27/09/2022	27/09/2022		28/09/2022	17/10/2022	24 of 2022	
39	2022	Stadiums Tasmania Amendment (Transfers) Bill 2022	Minister for Hospitality and Events	23/08/2022	8/11/2022	8/11/2022			8/11/2022	30/11/2022	38 of 2022	
36	2022	Homes Tasmania (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2022	Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing	16/08/2022	25/08/2022	25/08/2022			25/08/2022	17/10/2022	26 of 2022	
35	2022	Homes Tasmania Bill 2022	Minister for State Development, Construction and Housing	16/08/2022	18/08/2022	18/08/2022	18/08/2022	25/08/2022	25/08/2022	17/10/2022	25 of 2022	
34	2022	Electricity Supply Industry (Price Cap) Bill 2022	Mr Winter	15/06/2022	17/08/2022							17/08/2022
33	2022	Carer Recognition Bill 2022	Minister for Community Services and Development	15/06/2022	24/11/2022	24/11/2022	24/11/2022	24/11/2022	24/11/2022			
32	2022	Sentencing Amendment (Mandatory Sentencing) Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	14/06/2022								
31	2022	Waste and Resource Recovery Amendment (Single-Use Plastics) Bill 2022	Dr Woodruff	2/06/2022	26/10/2022							26/10/2022

30	2022	Retail Leases Bill 2022	Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs	31/05/2022	8/09/2022	9/11/2022	9/11/2022	9/11/2022	9/11/2022	14/12/2022	39 of 2022
29	2022	Land Use Planning and Approvals Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Planning	24/05/2022	27/09/2022	28/09/2022	28/09/2022	29/09/2022	29/09/2022	30/11/2022	33 of 2022
28	2022	Local Government Amendment (Elections) Bill 2022	Minister for Local Government	24/05/2022	31/05/2022	31/05/2022			31/05/2022	16/06/2022	15 of 2022
27	2022	Occupational Licensing (Automatic Mutual Recognition Consequential Amendments) Bill 2022	Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs	25/05/2022	8/09/2022	8/09/2022	8/09/2022	8/09/2022	8/09/2022	30/11/2022	29 of 2022
26	2022	Electoral Matters (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2002	Minister for Justice	31/05/2022	23/11/2022	23/11/2022	23/11/2022	23/11/2022	23/11/2022		
25	2022	Electoral Disclosure and Funding Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	31/05/2022	27/10/2022	10/11/2022	10/11/2022	23/11/2022	23/11/2022		
24	2022	Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2022	Treasurer	26/05/2022	2/06/2022	2/06/2022	14/06/2022	16/06/2022	16/06/2022	30/06/2022	20 of 2022
23	2022	Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2022	Treasurer	26/05/2022	26/05/2022	2/06/2022	14/06/2022	16/06/2022	16/06/2022	30/06/2022	19 of 2022
20	2022	Vehicle and Traffic Amendment (Driver Distraction and Speed Enforcement) Bill 2022	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	4/05/2022	7/09/2022	7/09/2022			7/09/2022	10/11/2022	27 of 2022
19	2022	Health Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2022	Minister for Health	4/05/2022	16/08/2022	16/08/2022			16/08/2022	20/09/2022	23 of 2022
18	2022	Duties Amendment Bill 2022	Treasurer	3/05/2022	24/05/2022	24/05/2022			24/05/2022	16/06/2022	18 of 2022
17	2022	Land Tax Amendment (Foreign Investors) Bill 2022	Treasurer	3/05/2022	24/05/2022	24/05/2022			24/05/2022	16/06/2022	16 of 2022
16	2022	Land Tax Rating Amendment (Foreign Investors) Bill 2022	Treasurer	3/05/2022	24/05/2022	24/05/2022			24/05/2022	16/06/2022	17 of 2022
15	2022	Police Offences Amendment (Workplace Protection) Bill 2022	Minister for Resources	3/05/2022	5/05/2022	24/05/2022	25/05/2022	25/05/2022	25/05/2022	20/09/2022	22 of 2022
14	2022	Appropriation (Supplementary Appropriation for 2021-22) Bill 2022	Treasurer	3/05/2022	5/05/2022	5/05/2022			5/05/2022	8/06/2022	12 of 2022
13	2022	Forest Practices Amendment (Validation) Bill 2022	Minister for Resources	3/05/2022	3/05/2022	3/05/2022	3/05/2022	3/05/2022	3/05/2022	13/05/2022	11 of 2022
12	2022	Roads and Jetties Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	22/03/2022	29/09/2022	29/09/2022	29/09/2022	29/09/2022	29/09/2022	30/11/2022	30 of 2022
11	2022	Electricity Safety Bill 2022	Minister for Workplace Safety and Consumer Affairs	22/03/2022	29/09/2022	18/10/2022	18/10/2022	18/10/2022	18/10/2022	30/11/2022	32 of 2022
10	2022	Family Violence Reforms Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	22/03/2022	16/06/2022	16/08/2022	16/08/2022	16/08/2022	16/08/2022	20/09/2022	21 of 2022
9	2022	Youth Justice Amendment (Searches in Custody) Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	22/03/2022	4/05/2022	5/05/2022	5/05/2022	5/05/2022	5/05/2022	16/06/2022	14 of 2022
7	2022	Treasury Miscellaneous (Affordable Housing and Youth Employment Support) Bill 2022	Minister for Finance	8/03/2022	10/03/2022	10/03/2022	10/03/2022	10/03/2022	10/03/2022	5/04/2022	8 of 2022
6	2022	Land Tax Rating Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Finance	8/03/2022	22/03/2022	24/03/2022	24/03/2022	24/03/2022	24/03/2022	13/05/2022	10 of 2022
5	2022	Traffic Amendment (Electronic Billboards) Bill 2022	Minister for Infrastructure and Transport	8/03/2022	18/10/2022	18/10/2022			18/10/2022	30/11/2022	31 of 2022
4	2022	Criminal Code Amendment Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	8/03/2022	10/03/2022	22/03/2022			22/03/2022	6/06/2022	13 of 2022
3	2022	Justice Miscellaneous (Independent Review Amendments) Bill 2022	Minister for Justice	1/03/2022	3/03/2022	3/03/2022			3/03/2022	18/03/2022	1 of 2022
63	2021	Climate Change (State Action) Amendment Bill 2021	Minister for Climate Change	24/11/2021	16/08/2022	23/08/2022	23/08/2022	6/09/2022	6/09/2022	30/11/2022	35 of 2022
60	2021	Justice and Related Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2021	Minister for Justice	11/11/2021	24/11/2021	25/11/2021			25/11/2021	18/03/2022	2 of 2022

58	2021	Living Marine Resources Management Amendment (Aquaculture Research) Bill 2021	Primary Industries and Water	9/11/2021	23/11/2021	23/11/2021	23/11/2021	23/11/2021	23/11/2021	18/03/2022	3 of 2022
55	2021	Waste and Resource Recovery Bill 2021	Minister for Environment	27/10/2021	11/11/2021	11/11/2021	11/11/2021	11/11/2021	11/11/2021	29/03/2022	6 of 2022
54	2021	Container Refund Scheme Bill 2021	Minister for Environment	26/10/2021	10/11/2021	10/11/2021	10/11/2021	10/11/2021	10/11/2021	29/03/2022	5 of 2022
53	2021	Education Legislation Amendments (Education Regulation) Bill 2021	Minister for Education	27/10/2021	11/11/2021	11/11/2021	11/11/2021	11/11/2021	11/11/2021	12/04/2022	9 of 2022
50	2021	Criminal Code Amendment (Judge Alone Trials) Bill 2021	Minister for Justice	14/10/2021	23/11/2021	24/11/2021			24/11/2021	18/03/2022	4 of 2022
48	2021	Stadiums Tasmania Bill 2021	The Premier	13/10/2021	9/11/2021	9/11/2021			9/11/2021	5/04/2022	7 of 2022
22	2021	Public Interest Disclosures (Members of Parliament) Bill 2021	Dr Woodruff	23/06/2021	7/09/2022	7/09/2022			7/09/2022		

### MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

## MEMBERS RECORD OF SERVICE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

MEMDED	ELECTED		
MEMBER	ELECTED	RE-ELECTED	DEFEATED
<i>ALEXANDER, Lara Maria</i> Government Whip 16.8.22 –	25.2.22 (on recount replacing S.J. Courtney)		
<i>ARCHER, Elise Nicole</i> Opposition Whip 4.5.10 -6.5.14 Speaker 6.5.14 – 28.9.17 Minister 2.10.17 -	20.3.10	15.3.14 3.3.18 1.5.21	
BARNETT, Guy Minister 18.7.16 –	15.3.14	3.3.18 1.5.21	
BROAD, Shane Thomas	5.4.17 (on recount replacing B.A. Green)	3.3.18 1.5.21	
BUTLER, Jenna	3.3.18	1.5.21	
<i>DOW, Anita Joy</i> Deputy Leader of the Opposition 15.6.21 -	3.3.18	1.5.21	
<i>ELLIS, Felix Ashton</i> Government Whip 1.3.22 – 27.7.22 Minister 27.7.22 -	17.8.20 (on recount replacing J.F. Rylah)	3.6.21 (on recount replacing A.R. Brooks)	1.5.21
FERGUSON, Michael Darrel Joseph Minister 31.3.14 – Deputy Premier 8.4.22 -	20.3.10	15.3.14 3.3.18 1.5.21	
FINLAY, Janie	1.5.21		
HADDAD, Eloise Rafia	3.3.18	1.5.21	

MEMBER	ELECTED	RE-ELECTED	DEFEATED
<i>JAENSCH, Roger Charles</i> Government Whip 6.5.14 – 18.7.16 Minister 21.3.18 –	15.3.14	3.3.18 1.5.21	
JOHNSTON, Kristy Joy	1.5.21		
<i>O'BYRNE, David James</i> Minister 21.04.10 – 31.3.14 Leader of the Oppositions 15.6.21 – 4.7.21	20.3.10	3.3.18 1.5.21	15.3.14
<b>O'BYRNE, Michelle Anne</b> Minister 27.10.06 – 31.3.14 Deputy Leader of the Opposition 31.3.14 – 15.6.21	18.3.06	20.3.10 15.3.14 1.5.21	
O'CONNOR, Cassandra Stanwell Minister 6.12.10 - 17.1.14	22.7.08 (on recount replacing M.A Putt)	20.3.10 15.3.14 3.3.18 1.5.21	
<i>OGILVIE, Madeleine Ruth</i> Minister 28.2.22 -	15.3.14	10.9.19 (on recount replacing S Bacon) 1.5.21	3.3.18
<b>ROCKLIFF, Jeremy Page</b> Opposition Whip 6.8.02 - 30.3.06 Deputy Leader of the Opposition 30.3.06 -31.3.14 Minister 31.3.14 – Deputy Premier 31.3.14 – 8.4.22 Premier 8.4.22 -	20.7.02	18.03.06 20.3.10 15.3.14 3.3.18 1.5.21	

MEMBER	ELECTED	<b>RE-ELECTED</b>	DEFEATED
SHELTON, Mark David Chair of Committees 6.5.14 - 17.10.17 1.5.18 - 1.7.19 Speaker 17.10.17 -1.5.18 22.6.21 - Minister 1.7.19 - 19.5.21	20.3.10	15.3.14 3.3.18 1.5.21	
<i>STREET, Nicholas Adam</i> Minister 17.2.22 -	2.3.16 (on recount replacing P.A. Harriss)	5.2.20 (on recount replacing W.E.F Hodgman) 1.5.21	3.3.18
<i>TUCKER, John Ewart</i> Government Whip 1.7.19 -1.3.22 Chair of Committees 1.3.22 -	12.3.19 (on recount replacing M.T Hidding)	1.5.21	
WHITE, Rebecca Government Whip 6.12.10 – 31.3.14 Minister 17.1.14 – 31.3.14 Leader of the Opposition 17.3.17 - 15.6.21 7.7.21 -	20.3.10	15.3.14 3.3.18 1.5.21	
Winter, Dean	1.5.21		
WOOD, Simon Robert Francis	27.4.22 (elected on recount replacing P.C Gutwein		
WOODRUFF, Rosalie	20.8.15 (on recount replacing N.J McKim)	3.3.18 1.5.21	
YOUNG, Dean Geoffrey	15.8.22 (elected on recount replacing J.A. Petrusma)		

## MEMBERS ACCUMULATED SERVICE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

Years of Service	No. of Members
Less than one year	3
One and less than two years	3
Two and less than three years	1
Three and less than four years	1
Four and less than five years	4
Five and less than six years	1
Seven and less than eight years	2
Eight and less than nine years	3
Twelve and less than thirteen years	4
Fourteen and less than fifteen years	1
Sixteen and less than seventeen years	1
Nineteen and less than twenty years	1
TOTAL	25



### PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA

# APPENDIX A - HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR 2022- 2023



Independent Auditor's Report To the Members of Parliament House of Assembly Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

## Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of House of Assembly (the House), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023 and statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement of certification signed by the Clerk of the House (the Clerk)

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements:

- (a) present fairly, in all material respects, the House's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended
- (b) are in accordance with the *Financial Management Act 2016* and Australian Accounting Standards.

### **Basis for Opinion**

I conducted the audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of my report. I am independent of the House in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

The *Audit Act 2008* further promotes the independence of the Auditor-General. The Auditor-General is the auditor of all Tasmanian public sector entities and can only be removed by Parliament. The Auditor-General may conduct an audit in any way considered appropriate and is not subject to direction by any person about the way in which audit powers are to be exercised. The Auditor-General has for the purposes of conducting an audit, access to all documents and property and can report to Parliament matters which in the Auditor-General's opinion are significant.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

My audit is not designed to provide assurance on the accuracy and appropriateness of the budget information in the House's financial statements.

## **Responsibilities of the Clerk for the Financial Statements**

The Clerk is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, and the financial reporting requirements of Section 42 (1) of the *Financial Management Act 2016*. This responsibility includes such internal control as determined necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Clerk is responsible for assessing the House's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the House is to be dissolved by an Act of Parliament, or the Clerk intends to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the House's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Clerk.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Clerk's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the House's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusion is based on the audit evidence obtained up to

the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the House to cease to continue as a going concern.

• Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the Clerk regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

MM

Rod Whitehead Auditor-General Tasmanian Audit Office

30 October 2023 Hobart

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# Statement of Certification

The accompanying Financial Statements of the House of Assembly are in agreement with the relevant accounts and records and have been prepared in compliance with the Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 2016* to present fairly the financial transactions for the year ended 30 June 2023 and the financial position as at the end of the year.

At the date of signing, I am not aware of any circumstances which would render the particulars included in the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.

(wards)

Laura Ross Clerk 14 August 2023

	Notes	2023 Budget \$'000	2023 Actual \$'000	2022 Actual \$'000
Income from continuing operations				
Revenue from Government				
Appropriation revenue – operating	3.1	10,812	10,055	9,718
Other revenue	3.2	-	37	
Total revenue from continuing operations		10,812	10,092	9,718
Expenses from continuing operations				
Employee benefits	4.1	10,026	9,255	9,096
Depreciation and amortisation	4.2	37	156	129
Supplies and consumables	4.3	775	693	506
Total expenses from continuing operations		10,838	10,104	9,731
Net result from continuing operations		(26)	(12)	(13)
Other Comprehensive Income				
Change in Asset Revaluation Reserve	8.1	-	-	-
Comprehensive Result		(26)	(12)	(13)

## Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2023

This Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Budget information refers to original estimates and has not been subject to audit.

Explanations of material variances between budget and actual outcomes are provided in Note 2.1 of the accompanying notes.

	Notes		2023 Actual \$'000	2022 Actual \$'000
Assets				
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	9.1	4	4	4
Receivables	5.1	23	13	-
Non-financial assets				
Plant and equipment	5.2	2,787	2,675	2,767
Other assets	5.3	33	72	92
Total assets		2,847	2,764	2,863
Liabilities				
Payables	6.1	6	20	16
Employee benefit liabilities	6.2	654	530	621
Total liabilities		660	550	637
Net assets (liabilities)		2,187	2,214	2,226
Equity				
Reserves	8.1	1,227	1,227	1,227
Accumulated funds		960	987	999
Total equity		2,187	2,214	2,226

# Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2023

This Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Budget information refers to original estimates and has not been subject to audit.

Explanations of material variances between budget and actual outcomes are provided in Note 2.2 of the accompanying notes.

Statement of Cash	Flows for the v	/ear ended 30	June 2023
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		2023	2023	2022
	Notes	Budget	Actual	Actual
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
		Inflows	Inflows	Inflows
Cash flows from operating activities		(Outflows)	(Outflows)	(Outflows)
Cash inflows				
Appropriation receipts - operating		10,812	10,055	9,718
GST receipts		94	99	94
Other cash receipts		-	24	
Total cash inflows		10,906	10,178	9,812
Cash outflows				
Employee benefits		(9,997)	(9,347)	(9,043)
GST Payments		(94)	(99)	(94)
Supplies and consumables		(775)	(669)	(560)
Total cash outflows		(10,866)	(10,115)	(9,697)
Net cash from /(used by) operating activities	9.2	40	63	115
Cash flows from investing activities				
Cash outflows				
Payments for acquisition of non-financial assets		(40)	(63)	(115)
Total cash outflows		(40)	(63)	(115)
Net cash from (used by) investing activities		(40)	(63)	(115)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash				
equivalents held		-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the				
reporting period		4	4	4
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the	9.1			
reporting period		4	4	4

This Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Budget information refers to original estimates and has not been subject to audit.

Explanations of material variances between budget and actual outcomes are provided in Note 2.3 of the accompanying notes.

# Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Reserves	Accumulated Funds	Total Equity
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance as at 1 July 2022	1,227	7 999	2,226
Total comprehensive result		- (12)	(12)
Balance as at 30 June 2023	1227	7 987	2,214
	Reserves	Accumulated Funds	Total Equity
	Reserves \$'000	Accumulated Funds \$'000	Total Equity \$'000
Balance as at 1 July 2021			Equity
Balance as at 1 July 2021 Total comprehensive result	\$'000	\$'000	Equity \$'000

This Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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# Note 1 House Output Schedules

### 1.1 Output Group Information

Comparative information has not been restated for external administrative restructures.

Budget information refers to original estimates and has not been subject to audit.

### **Output Group 1 – House of Assembly Support Services**

	2023 Budget \$'000	2023 Actual \$'000	2022 Actual \$'000
Income from continuing operations			
Revenue from appropriation	2,965	3,080	2,877
Other revenue		37	-
Total revenue from continuing operations	2,965	3,117	2,877
Expenses from continuing operations			
Employee benefits	2,196	2,286	2,252
Depreciation and amortisation	37	156	129
Other expenses	758	693	506
Total expenses from continuing operations	2,991	3,135	2,887
Net result	(26)	(18)	(10)
Expense by output			
House of Assembly Support Services	2,860	3,003	2,761
Select Committee Support Services	6	6	5
Investigatory Committee Support Services	125	126	121
Total	2,991	3,135	2,887
Net Assets			
Total assets deployed for House of Assembly Support Services		2,764	2,863
Total liabilities incurred for House of Assembly Support Services		(546)	(627)
Net assets deployed for House of Assembly Support Services		2,218	2,236

### Output Group 2 – Payments administered by the House of Assembly

	2023	2023	2022
	Budget	Actual	Actual
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Income from continuing operations			
Revenue from appropriation	7,847	6,975	6,842
Total revenue from continuing operations	7,847	6,975	6,842
Expenses from continuing operations			
Travel and communication	592	543	443
Parliamentary salaries and allowances	7,116	6,279	6,274
Parliamentary travelling allowances	108	145	123
Parliamentary Committee fees and allowances	31	2	4
Total expenses from continuing operations	7,847	6,969	6,844
Net result	0	6	(3)
Expense by output			
Payments Administered by the House of Assembly	7.847	6,969	6,844
Total	7,847	6,969	6,844

Net Assets

Total assets deployed for Payments administered by House of Assembly	-	-
Total liabilities incurred for Payments administered by House of Assembly	(4)	(10)
Net assets deployed for Payments administered by House of Assembly	(4)	(10)

# 1.2 Reconciliation of Total Output Groups Comprehensive Result to Statement of Comprehensive Income

	2023	2023	2022	
	Budget	Actual	Actual	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Total comprehensive result of Output Groups	(26)	(12)	(13)	
Change in Asset Revaluation Reserve		-	-	
Comprehensive result	(26)	(12)	(13)	

#### 1.3 Reconciliation of Total Output Groups Net Assets to Statement of Financial Position

	2023	2022
	Actual	Actual
	\$'000	\$'000
Total net assets deployed for Output Groups	2,214	2,226
Net Assets	2,214	2,226

### Note 2 Explanations of Material Variances between Budget and Actual Outcomes

Budget information refers to original estimates as disclosed in the 2022-23 Budget Papers and is not subject to audit.

Variances are considered material where the variance exceeds 10 per cent of Budget estimate and \$10,000.

### 2.1 Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Note	Budget \$'000	Actual \$'000	Variance \$'000	Variance %
Depreciation	(a)	37	156	(119)	(321.6)
Supplies and Consumables	(b)	775	693	82	10.6

### Notes to Statement of Comprehensive Income variances

(a) The increase in depreciation is due to recent years asset purchases.

(b) The decrease in supplies and consumables is due to the Members salary packaged leased vehicles costs were included in supplies and consumables budget by Treasury, the House classify expense as Members benefits.

#### 2.2 Statement of Financial Position

Budget estimates for the 2022-23 Statement of Financial Position were compiled prior to the completion of the actual outcomes for 2021-22. As a result, the actual variance from the Original Budget estimate will be impacted by the difference between estimated and actual opening balances for 2022-23. The following variance analysis therefore includes major movements between the 30 June 2022 and 30 June 2023 actual balances.

		2023 Budget \$'000	2023 Actual \$'000	2022 Actual \$'000	Budget Variance \$'000	Actual Variance \$'000
Other Assets	(a)	33	72	91	39	19
Employee Benefits Liabilities	(b)	654	530	621	124	91

#### Notes to Statement of Financial Position variances

(a) Other Asset are related to a prepaid media service fee.

(b) Employee benefits Liabilities are down due to the payout of leave Liability on the retirement of the Clerk of the House

#### 2.3 Statement of Cash Flows

	Note	Budget \$'000	Actual \$'000	Variance \$'000	Variance %
Supplies and Consumables	(a)	(775)	(669)	106	13.7
Acquisition of non-financial assets	(b)	(40)	(63)	(23)	(58.0)

#### Notes to Statement of Cash Flows

(a) The decrease in supplies and consumables is due to the Members salary packaged leased vehicles costs were included in supplies and consumables budget by Treasury, the House classify expense as Members benefits.

(b) The increase in acquisitions of non-financial assets is due to the purchase of two new Premiers Portraits

### Note 3 Revenue

Income is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when an increase in future economic benefit related to an increase in an asset or a decrease of a liability has arisen that can be measured reliably.

Income is recognised in accordance with the requirements of AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* or AASB 1058 *Income of Not-for-Profit Entities,* dependent on whether there is a contract with a customer defined by AASB 15.

#### 3.1 Revenue from Government

Appropriations, whether operating or capital, are recognised as revenues in the period in which the House gains control of the appropriated funds as they do not contain enforceable and sufficiently specific obligations as defined in AASB 15. Except for any amounts identified as carried forward, control arises in the period of appropriation.

Revenue from Government includes revenue from appropriations, unexpended appropriations rolled over under section 23 of the *Financial Management Act 2016* and Items Reserved by Law.

Section 23 of the Financial Management Act allows for an unexpended appropriation at the end of the financial year, as determined by the Treasurer, to be issued and applied from the Public Account in the following financial year. The amount determined by the Treasurer must not exceed five per cent of the House's appropriation for the financial year.

The Budget information is based on original estimates and has not been subject to audit.

	2023	2023	2022
	Budget	Actual	Actual
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Continuing operations			
Appropriation revenue – operating			
Current year	3,557	3,622	3,321
Items Reserved by Law			
R003 Parliamentary Salaries and Allowances (Parliamentary	7,116	6,290	6,273
Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act 2012 (No. 18 of			
2012)			
R004 Travelling Allowances (Parliamentary Salaries,	108	141	120
Superannuation and Allowances Act 2012 (No. 18 of 2012))			
R005 Members' Committee Fees and Allowances	31	2	4
(Parliamentary Salaries, Superannuation and Allowances Act			
2012 (No. 18 of 2012))			
Total revenue from Government from continuing operations	10,812	10,055	9,718
Total revenue from Government	10 912	10.055	0.749
	10,812	10,055	9,718

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Other revenue	37	
Total	37	

Other revenue is from funding of the purchase of two Premiers portraits.

#### Note 4 **Expenses**

Expenses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when a decrease in future economic benefits related to a decrease in asset or an increase of a liability has arisen that can be measured reliably.

#### 4.1 **Employee benefits**

Employee benefits include, where applicable, entitlements to wages and salaries, annual leave, sick leave, long service leave, superannuation and any other post-employment benefits.

#### (a) Employee expenses

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Wages and salaries	8,285	8,150
Annual leave	166	184
Long service leave	68	52
Superannuation – defined contribution scheme	691	636
Superannuation – defined benefit scheme	45	74
Total	9,255	9,096

Superannuation expenses relating to defined benefit schemes relate to payments into the Public Account. The amount of the payment is based on an employer contribution rate determined by the Treasurer, on the advice of the State Actuary. The current employer contribution is 12.95 per cent (2022: 12.95 per cent) of salary.

Superannuation expenses relating to defined contribution schemes are paid directly to superannuation funds at a rate of 10.5 per cent (2022: 10 per cent) of salary. In addition, departments are also required

to pay into the Public Account a "gap" payment equivalent to 3.45 per cent (2022: 3.45 per cent) of salary in respect of employees who are members of contribution schemes.

#### (b) Remuneration of Key management personnel

	Short-term benefits		Long-term benefits			
2023	Salary \$'000	Other Benefits \$'000	Superannuation \$'000	Other Benefits and Long-service Leave \$'000	Termination Benefits \$'000	Total \$'000
Key management personnel	φ <b>000</b>	φ 000	φ 000	φ 000	\$ 000	φ 000
Clerk – Mr S Donnelly	192	20	24	1	-	237
Clerk – Ms L Ross	114	9	16	8	-	147
Deputy Clerk – Ms L Ross	153	13	21	-	-	187
Deputy Clerk – Ms S Hesford	90	9	13	26	-	138
Clerk Assistant & Sergeant at Arms						
– Ms S Hesford	128	12	18	-	-	158
Total	677	63	92	35	-	867

	Short-term benefits		Long-term benefits			
2022	Salary	Other Benefits	Superannuation	Other Benefits and Long-service Leave	Termination Benefits	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Key management personnel						
Clerk – Mr S Donnelly	311	21	40	(31)	-	341
Deputy Clerk – Ms L Ross	248	20	33	3	-	304
Clerk Assistant & Sergeant at Arms						
– Ms S Hesford	205	20	28	4	-	257
Total	764	61	101	(24)	-	902

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the House, directly or indirectly.

Remuneration during 2022-23 for key personnel is set by the *Parliamentary Privilege Act 1898*. Remuneration and other terms of employment are specified in employment contracts. Remuneration includes salary, motor vehicle and other non-monetary benefits. Long-term employee expenses include long service leave and superannuation obligations.

#### Acting Arrangements

When members of key management personnel are unable to fulfil their duties, consideration is given to appoint other members of senior staff to their position during their period of absence. Individuals are considered members of key management personnel when acting arrangements are for more than a period of one month.

#### (c) Related party transactions

In accordance with AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, related party transactions are material if they could, individually or collectively, influence the economic decisions that users make on the basis of the financial statements judged in the surrounding circumstances. The size or nature of the item, or a combination of both, could be the determining factor. The Clerk is required to determine the materiality of any related party transactions.

The Clerk is also required to determine if additional action is required to ensure compliance with the disclosure requirements of AASB 124, including identification of related parties, identification of related party transactions and the adequacy of these disclosures.

There are no related party transactions requiring disclosure.

#### 4.2 **Depreciation and amortisation**

All applicable Non-financial assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of their service potential.

#### Key estimate and judgement

Depreciation is provided for on a straight line basis, using rates which are reviewed annually.

All intangible assets having a limited useful life are systematically amortised over their useful lives reflecting the pattern in which the asset's future economic benefits are expected to be consumed by the House.

### (a) Depreciation

	Major depreciation	2023	2022
	Period	\$'000	\$'000
Furniture and fittings	10 years	41	40
Plant and Equipment	10 years	25	24
Computer equipment	3 years	90	65
Total	_	156	129

#### 4.3 Supplies and consumables

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Audit fees – financial audit	21	20
Supplies and consumables	82	69
Equipment costs	111	166
Communications	53	61
Information technology	137	84
Travel and transport	123	32
Entertainment	16	12
Conference/Training	27	11
Consultancy	22	11
Maintenance	16	11
Staff Recruitment	40	0
Other supplies and consumables	45	29
Total	693	506

Audit fees paid or payable to the Tasmanian Audit Office for the audit of the House's financial statements were \$21,100 (2021-22, \$20,480).

#### Note 5 Assets

Assets are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position when it is probable that the future economic benefits will flow to the House and the asset has a cost or value that can be measured reliably.

#### 5.1 **Receivables**

Receivables are initially recognised at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component are measured at the transaction price.

Receivables are held with the objective to collect the contractual cash flows and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Any subsequent changes are recognised in the net result for the year when impaired, derecognised or through the amortisation process. An allowance for expected credit losses is recognised for all debt financial assets not held at fair value through profit and loss. The expected credit loss is based on the difference between the

contractual cash flows and the cash flows that the entity expects to receive, discounted at the original effective interest rate.

For trade receivables, a simplified approach in calculating expected credit losses is applied, with a loss allowance based on lifetime expected credit losses recognised at each reporting date.

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Total	13	-
Settled within 12 months	13	-
Total	13	-

#### 5.2 **Plant and equipment**

#### (i) Valuation basis

Heritage assets comprising antique furniture, artworks and artefacts are recorded at fair value. All other Non-current physical assets, including work in progress, are recorded at historic cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. All assets within a class of assets are measured on the same basis.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment.

When parts of an item of plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of plant and equipment.

Fair value is based on the highest and best use of the asset. Unless there is an explicit Government policy to the contrary, the highest and best use of an asset is the current purpose for which the asset is being used or build occupied.

#### (ii) Subsequent Costs

The cost of replacing part of an item of plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the House and its costs can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. The costs of day to day servicing of plant and equipment are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

#### (iii) Asset recognition threshold

The asset capitalisation threshold adopted by the House is \$5,000. Assets valued at less than \$5,000 are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the year of purchase (other than where they form part of a group of similar items which are material in total). Antique furniture and artworks and artefacts are treated as discrete groups of assets and all items in these groups are recorded as non-current assets.

#### (iv) Revaluations

The House has adopted a revaluation threshold of \$5,000.

Assets are grouped on the basis of having a similar nature or function in the operations of the House.

Assets are revalued with sufficient regularity to ensure they reflect fair value at balance date. Revaluations are shown on a fair value, five year basis.

#### (v) Assets in respect of leases where the House is the lessor

The House leases motor vehicles under operating leases with rental payments payable monthly. Lease payments include lease and operating costs.

### (a) Carrying amount

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Antique furniture		
At fair value	951	951
Total	951	951
Artworks and Artefacts		
At fair value	1,209	1,209
At cost	38	-
Total	1,247	1,209
Plant and Equipment		
At cost	287	287
Less: Accumulated amortisation	(121)	(96)
Total	166	191
Furniture and Fittings		
At cost	645	636
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(428)	(387)
Total	217	249
Computer equipment		
At cost	602	585
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(509)	(418)
Total	93	167
Total plant and equipment	2,674	2,767

Antique Furniture was independently re-valued on 30 June 2020 by Mr A F Colman, Approved Government Valuer. Artworks and Artefacts were independently re-valued at 30 June 2020 by Mr W N Hurst, Director, Masterpiece Gallery. Valuations were based on a replacement value. The revaluation movements are reflected in the comprehensive result and asset revaluation reserve.

### (b) Reconciliation of movements

Reconciliations of the carrying amounts of each class of plant and equipment at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below. Carrying value means the net amount after deducting accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

2023	Antique Furniture Level 3	Artwork and Artefacts Level 3	Plant and Equipment	Furniture and Fittings	Computer Equipment	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Carrying value at 1 July 2022 Gains/losses recognised in other comprehensive income	951	1,209	191	249	167	2,767
Additions	-	38	-	9	16	63
Depreciation and amortisation		-	(25)	(41)	(90)	(156)
Carrying value at 30 June	951	1,247	166	217	93	2,674

		Artwork and				
2022	Antique Furniture Level 3	Artefacts Level 3	Plant and Equipment	Furniture and Fittings	Computer Equipment	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Carrying value at 1 July 2020	951	1,209	197	285	139	2,781
Gains/losses recognised in other comprehensive income						
Additions	-	-	18	-	97	115
Depreciation and amortisation	-	-	(24)	(40)	(65)	(129)
Adjustment to Acc. Depreciation	-	-	-	4	(4)	-
Carrying value at 30 June	951	1,209	191	249	167	2,767

#### (c) Level 3 significant valuation inputs and relationship to fair value

Description	Fair value at 30 June	Significant unobservable inputs used in valuation	Possible alternative values for level 3 inputs	Sensitivity of fair value to changes in level 3 inputs
	\$'000			
Antique Furniture	951	A – Rarity of asset B – Age of asset C – Condition of asset	Valuing antique furniture is an inexact science and it is not likely, that alternative values, applying other inputs would result in materially different values.	Not applicable
Artwork and Artefacts	1,209	A – Rarity of asset B – Age of asset C – Condition of asset	Valuing artwork and artefacts is an inexact science and it is not likely, that alternative values, applying other inputs would result in materially different values.	Not applicable

#### 5.3 Other Assets

#### (a) Carrying amount

	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Other current assets	¥ ••••	+
Prepayments	72	92
Total	72	92

### Note 6 Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position when it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will result from the settlement of a present obligation and the amount at which the settlement will take place can be measured reliably.

#### 6.1 Payables

Payables, including goods received and services incurred but not yet invoiced, are recognised at amortised cost, which due to the short settlement period, equates to face value, when the House becomes obliged to make future payments as a result of a purchase of assets and services.

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Creditors	20	16
Total	20	16
Settled within 12 months	20	16
Total	20	16

#### 6.2 Employee benefit liabilities

#### Key estimate and judgement

Liabilities for wages and salaries and annual leave are recognised when an employee becomes entitled to receive a benefit. Those liabilities expected to be realised within 12 months are measured as the amount expected to be paid. Other employee entitlements are measured as the present value of the benefit at 30 June, where the impact of discounting is material, and at the amount expected to be paid if discounting is not material.

A liability for long service leave is recognised, and is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Accrued salaries	65	57
Annual leave	142	198
Long service leave	323	366
Total	530	621
Expected to settle wholly within 12 months	338	428
Expected to settle wholly after 12 months	192	193
Total	530	621

#### 6.3 Superannuation

#### (i) Defined contribution plans

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense when they fall due.

#### (ii) Defined benefit plans

A defined benefit plan is a post-employment benefit plan other than a defined contribution plan.

#### Key estimate and judgement

The House does not recognise a liability for the accruing superannuation benefits to House employees. This liability is held centrally and is recognised with the Finance-General Division of the Department of Treasury and Finance.

### Note 7 Commitments and Contingencies

#### 7.1 Schedule of Commitments

Commitments represent those contractual arrangements entered by the House that are not reflected in the Statement of Financial Position.

Leases are recognised as right-of-use assets and lease liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position, excluding short term leases and leases for which the underlying asset is of low value, which are recognised as an expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
By type		
Commitments held with Finance-General		
Motor vehicles	275	177
Total Commitments held with Finance-General	275	177
Other commitments		
Photocopier	1	4
Total other commitments	1	4
Total Commitments	276	181
By maturity		
Operating lease commitments		
One year or less	1	2
From one to five years	0	2
Total operating lease commitments	1	4
Commitments held with Finance-General		
One year or less	184	113
From one to five years	91	64
Total Commitments held with Finance-General	275	177
Total	276	181

#### 7.2 Contingent assets and liabilities

Contingent assets and liabilities are not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position due to uncertainty regarding any possible amount or timing of any possible underlying claim or obligation.

#### (a) Quantifiable contingencies

A quantifiable contingent asset is any possible asset that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the entity.

A quantifiable contingent liability is any possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the entity; or any present obligation that arises from past events but is not recognised because it is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. To the extent that any quantifiable contingencies are insured, details provided below are recorded net.

The House of Assembly has no contingent Assets and Liabilities.

### Note 8 Reserves

#### 8.1 Reserves

2023	Heritage & Cultural s cultural s assets \$'000		
Asset revaluation reserve			
Balance at the beginning of financial year	1,227	1,227	
Balance at end of financial year	1,227	1,227	

2022	Heritage & Cultural assets \$'000	Total \$'000	
Asset revaluation reserve			
Balance at the beginning of financial year	1,227	1,227	
Balance at end of financial year	1,227	1,227	

## Note 9 Cash Flow Reconciliation

Cash means notes, coins, any deposits held at call with a bank or financial institution, as well as funds held in the Special Deposits and Trust Fund, being short term of three months or less and highly liquid. Deposits are recognised at amortised cost, being their face value.

### 9.1 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes the balance of the Specific Purpose Accounts held by the House, and other cash held, excluding those accounts which are administered or held in a trustee capacity or agency arrangement.

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Specific Purpose Account balances		
House of Assembly operating account	4	4
Total	4	4
Total cash and cash equivalents	4	4

### 9.2 Reconciliation of Net Result to Net Cash from Operating Activities

	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Net result	(12)	(13)
Depreciation and amortisation	156	129
Decrease (increase) in Receivables	(13)	23
Decrease (increase) in Other assets	19	(59)
Increase (decrease) in Employee entitlements	(91)	25
Increase (decrease) in Payables	4	10
Net cash from (used by) operating activities	63	115

### Note 10 Financial Instruments

#### 10.1 Risk Exposures

### (a) Risk management policies

The House has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

- credit risk; and
- liquidity risk.

The Clerk as the accountable authority has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the House's risk management framework. Risk management policies are established to identify and analyse risks faced by the House, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits.

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#### (b) Credit risk exposures

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the House if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations.

The carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the Financial Statements, net of any allowances for losses, represents the House's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking into account any collateral or other security.

The value of receivables as at 30 June is \$13k and with an expected loss rate of 0% the value of receivables is recorded at the gross carrying amount as at balance date.

2023	Receivable	es				
	Not Past Due \$'000	Past due 1-30 \$'000	Past due 31-60 \$'000	Past due 31-60 \$'000	Past due 91+ \$'000	Carrying Amount \$'000
Financial liabilities						
Receivables	13	-	-	-	-	13
Total	13	-	-	-	-	13

reconcile to the carrying amounts presented in the Statement of Financial Position:

#### (c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the House will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The House's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when they fall due.

The House does not have any significant exposure to liquidity risk.

The following tables detail the undiscounted cash flows payable by the House by remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities. It should be noted that as these are undiscounted, totals may not reconcile to the carrying amounts presented in the Statement of Financial Position:

2023	Maturity a	nalysis for f	inancial lia	bilities				
	1 Year \$'000	2 Years \$'000	3 Years \$'000	4 Years \$'000	5 Years \$'000	More than 5 Years \$'000	Undiscou nted Total \$'000	
Financial liabilities								
Payables	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Total	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	20

2022	Maturity analysis for financial liabilities							
	1 Year \$'000	2 Years \$'000	3 Years \$'000	4 Years \$'000	5 Years \$'000	More than 5 Years \$'000	Undiscou nted Total \$'000	Carrying Amount \$'000
Financial liabilities								
Payables	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Total	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	16

#### 10.2 Categories of Financial Assets and Liabilities

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets		
Receivables	13	-
Total	13	-
Financial Liabilities		
Trade Creditors	20	16
Total	20	16

### Note 11 Events Occurring After Balance Date

There have been no events subsequent to balance date which would have a material effect on the House's financial statements as at 30 June 2023.

### Note 12 Other Significant Accounting Policies and Judgements

#### 12.1 Objectives and Funding

The House of Assembly (the House), together with the Legislative Council and Her Excellency the Governor, constitute the Parliament of Tasmania, which has the responsibility to consider legislation and to authorise the expenditure of State monies.

The office of the Clerk of the House of Assembly provides the House, its Committees, the Speaker of the House and Members with advisory, procedural, research and administrative support services to assist them to effectively undertake their constitutional and Parliamentary duties.

The objectives of the office of the Clerk of the House are:-

- to support the House in its constitutional role
- to provide the highest levels of advice and procedural research and administrative services necessary for the effective functioning of the House, its Committees and Members
- to promote public awareness of the purpose, functions and work of the House and encourage and facilitate visits by the widest possible range of citizens
- to perform all of its functions at the highest attainable levels of professional competence and efficiency
- to be a fair and responsive employer, maximising the potential of all its staff through effective human resource practices.

The House is funded by Parliamentary appropriations and Reserved-by Law allocations. The financial statements encompass all funds through which the House controls resources to carry on its functions.

#### **12.2 Basis of Accounting**

The Financial Statements are a general purpose financial report and have been prepared in accordance with:

- Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board; and
- The Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 2016*.

The Financial Statements were signed by the Clerk on 14 August 2023.

Compliance with the Australian Accounting Standards may not result in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as the AAS include requirements and options available to not-for-profit organisations that are inconsistent with IFRS. The House is considered to be not-for-profit and has adopted some accounting policies under the AAS that do not comply with IFRS.

The Financial Statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and, except where stated, are in accordance with the historical cost convention. The accounting policies are consistent with the previous year except for those changes outlined in Note 12.5.

The House has made no assumptions concerning the future that may cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

#### 12.3 Reporting Entity

The Financial Statements include all the controlled activities of the House.

#### 12.4 Functional and Presentation Currency

These Financial Statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the House's functional currency.

#### 12.6 Comparative Figures

Comparative figures have been adjusted to reflect any changes in accounting policy or the adoption of new standards.

#### 12.7 Rounding

All amounts in the Financial Statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated. As a consequence, rounded figures may not add to totals. Amounts less than \$500 are rounded to zero and are indicated by the symbol "...".

#### 12.8 Taxation

The House is exempt from all forms of taxation except Fringe Benefits Tax and Goods and Services Tax.

#### 12.9 Goods and Services Tax

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax, except where the GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST. The net amount recoverable, or payable, to the Australian Taxation Office is recognised as an asset or liability within the Statement of Financial Position.

In the Statement of Cash Flows, the GST component of cash flows arising from operating, investing or financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office is, in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards, classified as operating cash flows.