Public Accounts and Estimates Committee: 2015-16 Financial and Performance Outcomes General Questionnaire



# PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

# 2015-16 FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES GENERAL QUESTIONNAIRE

# **CITY WEST WATER CORPORATION**

# **SECTION A:** Output variances and program outcomes

#### Question 1 (all departments) Completed initiatives from past budgets

This question does not apply to your agency.

Question 2 (departments only) Treasurer's advances and other budget supplementation

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 3 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Revenue certification

This question does not apply to your agency.

# **SECTION B:** Asset investment (departments only)

#### Question 4 Details of actual investment and variance against budget – current projects

This question does not apply to your agency.

# Question 5 Details of actual investment and variance against budget – projects completed (or expected to be completed)

This question does not apply to your agency.

## Question 6 Major Projects Victoria and high-value high-risk projects

#### Question 7 PPP expenditure and line items

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 8 Net cash flows from investments in financial assets for policy purposes – GGS

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 9 Net cash flows from investments in financial assets for policy purposes – SoV

This question does not apply to your agency.

# Question 10 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Purchases of non-financial assets – government purpose classification

# **SECTION B:** Asset investment (non-departments only)

#### Question 11 Details of actual investment and variance against budget for projects

Please provide the following details for any asset investment project where actual expenditure in 2015-16 varied by  $\pm 10$  million or more from the initial budget estimate at the start of the relevant year (**not** the revised estimate).

If there were no asset investment projects for your agency where the actual expenditure varied by  $\pm 10$  million or more from the budget estimate, you do not need to answer this question. If this is the case, please indicate 'no relevant projects' in the table(s) below.

Project	Estimated expenditure in 2015- 16 budget papers (\$ million)	Actual expenditure in 2015-16 (\$ million)	Explanation for variance	Estimated financial completion date in 2015-16 budget papers	Estimated financial completion date in 2016-17 budget papers	Explanation for any changes to the estimated financial completion date
No relevant projects						

#### Question 12 Details of actual investment and variance against budget for entities

Please detail the initial budget estimates (**not** the revised estimate) for 'purchases of non-financial assets' for 2015-16 (or equivalent line items in the cash flow statements) for your entity, the actual amounts of those line item in your annual reports and an explanation for any variances greater than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million. Initial budget estimates for departments are listed in Department of Treasury and Finance, *Budget Paper No.5: 2015-16 Statement of Finances* (2015), p.40

Initial budget estimate for 2015-16	Actual for 2015-16	Explanation for any variance greater than $\pm 10$ per cent or $\$100$ million
(\$ million)	(\$ million)	
115.6	82.9	<ul> <li>The variance mainly due to:</li> <li>Water and sewer growth program being lower than expected due to delay in the completion of a number of growth projects.</li> <li>Two major water and sewer renewal projects (Lincoln Rd and Waverly St Water Main Replacement) started later in the year due to delay in construction.</li> <li>Completion of the West Werribee Dual Water Supply Scheme was behind schedule due to construction disputes.</li> <li>Delay with the implementation of Release 2 (asset management) of the Arrow Program.</li> </ul>

# **SECTION C:** Revenue and appropriations

#### Question 13 (all departments and entities) Changes from previous year by revenue/income category

Please explain any changes greater than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million between the actual result for 2014-15 and the actual result for 2015-16 for each revenue/income category detailed in your operating statement. Please also indicate what any additional revenue was used for or how any reduced amounts of revenue affected service delivery.

For departments, please provide data consolidated on the same basis as the budget portfolios outcomes statement in your annual reports.

If there were no revenue/income categories for your department/agency for which the 2015-16 expenditure changed from the prior year's expenditure by more than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million, you do not need to answer this question. If this is the case, please indicate 'no relevant line items' in the table(s) below.

Revenue category	2014-15 actual	2015-16 actual	Explanations for variances greater than ±10 per cent or \$100 million	How the additional revenue was used/the impact of reduced revenue
	(\$ million)	(\$ million)		
Sales revenue	533.128	581.755	Variance the result of higher growth in customer base and increased demand associated with below average rainfall and above average temperature.	Additional revenue used to partly offset increase in bulk charges from higher demand.
Other revenue	61.115	85.679	Variance due to a higher than expected level of development activities.	Additional revenue used to partly fund future CAPEX to enable growth in customer base.
Government grants	4.750	2.442	Variance represents a reduction in grant income recognised for the West Werribee Dual Supply Project.	Not applicable.
Gain on sale of non-current physical assets	0.041	0.217	Variance the result of higher than expected gain on sale (St Albans Road Sunshine).	Not applicable.

#### Question 14 (all departments and entities) Variances from budget/target by revenue/income category

Please explain any variances greater than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million between the initial budget estimate (**not** the revised estimate) and the actual result for 2015-16 for each revenue/income category detailed in your operating statement. Please also identify any actions taken in response to the variations, either to mitigate or take advantage of the impact.

For departments, please provide data consolidated on the same basis as the budget portfolios outcomes statement in your annual reports.

If there were no revenue/income categories for your department/agency for which the 2015-16 expenditure varied from the initial budget estimate by more than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million, you do not need to answer this question. If this is the case, please indicate 'no relevant line items' in the table(s) below.

Revenue category	2015-16 budget estimate	2015-16 actual	Explanations for variances greater than ±10 per cent or \$100 million	Actions taken in response
	(\$ million)	(\$ million)		
Other revenue / income	56.325	88.338 (includes grant revenue)	High than expected level of development activities.	2016-17 budget updated to take into account impact of the increased development activities.

# Question 15 (departments only)

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 16 Revenue from trust accounts passed to other bodies (departments only)

This question does not apply to your agency.

# Question 17 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Revenue initiatives

# SECTION D: Expenses

#### Question 18 Expenses changed from previous year

Please explain any changes greater than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million between the prior year's actual result and the actual result for 2015-16 for each category of expenses detailed in your operating statement. Please also detail the outcomes in the community<sup>1</sup> achieved by any additional expenses or the impact on the community of reduced expenses (if there was no impact, please explain how that was achieved).

For departments, please provide data consolidated on the same basis as the budget portfolios outcomes statement in your annual reports.

If there were no categories of expenses for your department/agency for which the 2015-16 expenditure differed from the prior year's expenditure by more than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million, you do not need to answer this question. If this is the case, please indicate 'no relevant line items' in the table(s) below.

Expenses category	2014-15 actual	2015-16 actual	Explanations for variances greater than ±10 per cent or \$100 million	Outcomes achieved by additional expenses/impact of reduced expenses
	(\$ million)	(\$ million)		
Depreciation / Amortisation	41.982	47.336	Higher depreciation/amortisation expenses resulted from an increased investment in assets.	Higher depreciation expenses resulted in a reduction in City West Water's reported net result.
Impairment write down of assets	0	11.724	<ul> <li>Variance mainly due to:</li> <li>impairment of intangible assets associated with the Field Mobility Solution of the Arrow (FMSA) program of \$11.575 million; and</li> <li>downward revaluation of land at the corporation's Ballan Road tank site of \$0.149 million.</li> </ul>	Higher impairment expenses resulted in a reduction in City West Water's reported net result.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> That is, the impact of service delivery on the community rather than a description of the services delivered.

# Question 19 Expenses varying from budget

Please explain any variances greater than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million between the initial budget estimate (**not** the revised budget) and the actual result for 2015-16 for each category of expenses detailed in your operating statement. Please also detail the outcomes in the community<sup>2</sup> achieved by any additional expenses or the impact on the community of reduced expenses (if there was no impact, please explain how that was achieved).

For departments, please provide data consolidated on the same basis as the budget portfolios outcomes statement in your annual reports.

If there were no categories of expenses for your department/agency for which the 2015-16 expenditure varied from the initial budget estimate by more than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million, you do not need to answer this question. If this is the case, please indicate 'no relevant line items' in the table(s) below.

Expenses category	2015-16 budget estimate	2015-16 actual	Explanations for variances greater than ±10 per cent or \$100 million	Outcomes achieved by additional expenses/impact of reduced expenses
	(\$ million)	(\$ million)		
Impairment write down of assets	0	11.724	<ul> <li>Variance mainly due to:</li> <li>impairment of intangible assets associated with the Field Mobility Solution of the Arrow (FMSA) program of \$11.575 million; and</li> <li>downward revaluation of land at the corporation's Ballan Road tank site of \$0.149 million.</li> </ul>	Higher impairment expenses resulted in a reduction in City West Water's reported net result.

# Question 20 (departments only) Expenditure reduction targets

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> That is, the impact of service delivery on the community rather than a description of the services delivered.

#### Question 21 Changes to service delivery from expenditure reduction initiatives

(a) Please detail any changes to your department's/agency's service delivery as a result of expenditure reduction initiatives, e.g. changes to the timing and scope of specific programs or discontinued programs in 2015-16:

Not applicable.

(b) As a result of the expenditure reduction initiative 'Reduce the use of labour hire firms' for 2015-16 (BP3 p.105), please detail any changes to your department's/agency's service delivery

Not applicable.

#### Question 22 (departments only) Achievement of reprioritisation of existing resources

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 23 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Expenses by government purpose classifications

# Question 24 (PNFC and PFC entities only) Dividends paid to the general government sector

Please detail the value of dividends paid by your agency to the general government sector over the last three years, explaining the reasons for any significant changes over that period and the impact of any changes on the agency.

Total dividends paid in 2012-13					Explanation for variances greater than $\pm 10$ per cent or \$100 million	Impact of changes to dividends on the agency
(\$ million)	(\$ million)	(\$ million)				
24.8	4.7	15.6	Variance is due to movements in profit and to a deferred 2013-14 interim dividend. Profits were \$71.7 million in 2011-12, \$44.9 million in 2012-13, \$36.1 million in 2013-14 and \$47.3 million in 2014-15. It is important to note that interim dividends are paid within the same financial year while final dividends are paid in the following financial year. In 2014-15 however, the total includes the deferred interim and final dividends for 2013-14 as well as the interim dividend for 2014-15.	Cash and borrowing position impacts.		

# SECTION E: Public sector workforce

#### Question 25 Full-time equivalent staff by level

Please fully complete the table below, providing actual FTE staff numbers at 30 June 2016, at 30 June 2015 and 30 June 2016 (broken down by the categories listed below) for the Department. Please provide figures consolidated on the same basis as the expenditure for the Department in the budget papers.

Grade	30 June 2014	30 June 2015	30 June 2016
	(Actual FTE number)	(Actual FTE number)	(Actual FTE number)
Secretary	-	-	-
EO-1	-	-	-

EO-2	-	-	-
EO-3	19.8	18.2	18.9
VPS Grade 7 (STS)	-	-	-
VPS Grade 6	-	-	-
VPS Grade 5	-	-	-
VPS Grade 4	-	-	-
VPS Grade 3	-	-	-
VPS Grade 2	-	-	-
VPS Grade 1	-	-	-
Government Teaching Service	-	-	-
Health services	-	-	-
Police	-	-	-
Allied health professionals	-	-	-
Child protection	-	-	-
Disability development and support	-	-	-
Custodial officers	-	-	-
Other	387.7	398.1	416.6
Total	407.5	416.3	435.5

#### Question 26 FTE staff numbers by employment type

In the table below, please detail the salary costs for 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16, broken down by ongoing, fixed-term and casual, and explain any variances greater than  $\pm 10$  per cent or \$100 million between the years for each category.

Employment category	Gross salary 2013-14 (\$ million)	Gross salary 2014-15 (\$ million)	Gross salary 2015-16 (\$ million)	Explanation for any year-on-year variances greater than ±10 per cent or \$100 million
Ongoing	35.3	35.8	37.2	Not applicable.
Fixed-term	0	0	0	Not applicable.
Casual	0	0	0	Not applicable.
Total	35.3	35.8	37.2	

# **Question 27 Executive salary increases**

Please detail the number of executives who received increases in their base remuneration in 2015-16, breaking that information down according to what proportion of their salary the increase was, and explaining the reasons for executives' salaries increasing in each bracket.

Increase in base remuneration	Number of executives receiving increases in their base rate of remuneration of this amount in 2015-16	Reasons for these increases
0-3 per cent	18.9	Annual salary review.
3-5 per cent	0	Not applicable.
5-10 per cent	0	Not applicable.
10-15 per cent	0	Not applicable.
greater than 15 per cent	0	Not applicable.

# Question 28 Enterprise bargain agreements (EBA)(Department of Treasury and Finance only)

This question does not apply to your agency.

# SECTION F: Inter-sector flows

#### Question 29 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Inter-sector flows

This question does not apply to your agency.

# **SECTION G:** Government decisions impacting on the finances

#### **Question 30 Machinery-of-government changes**

(a) Please detail the final costs incurred in the following categories as a result of machinery-of-government changes. Also provide a description of any relevant machinery-of-government changes during 2015-16.

	Final costs as a result of machinery-of- government-changes (\$ million)
Consultants and contractors (including legal advice)	0
Relocation	0
Telephony	0
IT and records management	0
Rebranding	0
Furniture and fit-out	0
Other	0

(b) If these costs were met out of existing budgets, please indicate what projects, programs or areas the money was originally budgeted for.

#### Not applicable.

(c) Please identify any benefits achieved during 2015-16as a result of machinery-of-government changes, quantifying the benefits where possible.

Not applicable.

(d) Please provide a description of any relevant machinery-of-government changes during 2015-16

Not applicable.

#### **Question 31 Commonwealth Government decisions**

Please identify any Commonwealth Government decisions during 2015-16 which had not been anticipated in the State budget but which impacted on your entity's finances or activities during those years (including new funding agreements, discontinued agreements and changes to funding levels). Please quantify the impact on income and expenses where possible.

Commonwealth Government decision	Impact in 2015-16	
	on income (\$ million)	on expenses (\$ million)
Not applicable.	-	-

# **Question 32 COAG decisions**

Please identify any COAG decisions during 2015-16 which had not been anticipated in the State budget but which impacted on your entity's finances or activities during those years (including new funding agreements, discontinued agreements and changes to agreements). Please quantify the impact on income and expenses where possible.

COAG decision	Impact in 2015-16	
	on income (\$ million)	on expenses (\$ million)
Not applicable.	-	-

# **SECTION H:** Fiscal and financial management strategies (Department of Treasury and Finance only)

#### **Question 33 Financial measures**

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 34 Long-term financial management objectives

This question does not apply to your agency.

# SECTION I: Economic environment

#### Question 35 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Economic variables

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 36 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Actual impact on GGS of variances in economic variables

#### Question 37 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Impact on PFC net result of variances in economic variables

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 38 (Department of Treasury and Finance only) Impact on PNFC net result of variances in economic variables

This question does not apply to your agency.

#### Question 39 (all entities) Effects of variances in economic variables

Please identify any key economic variables for which there were variances in 2015-16 between what was estimated in the initial budget for each year (**not** the revised estimate) and what actually occurred which had a significant impact on your department's/agency's finances, service delivery or asset investment. For each variance, please indicate:

- (a) what had been expected at budget time
- (b) what actually occurred
- (c) how the variance impacted on the budget outcomes (quantifying the impact where possible)
- (d) what decisions were made in response (including changes to service delivery, asset investment, borrowings etc.).

Expected economic result in 2015-16	Actual result in 2015-16	Impact of the variance on budget outcomes	Impact of the variance on service delivery
Not applicable	-	-	-