

Cost of Public Support for Former Office Holders

Actual expenditure for fiscal years 2012/13 and 2013/14

The then Premier Barry O'Farrell announced at Budget Estimates Hearings on 25 October 2011 that the Government would publish the costs of former office holders on the Department of Premier and Cabinet's website every six months.

On 20 May 2012 the then Premier announced changes to the public support provided to former office holders which have resulted in significant savings. The cost of former office holder support in the year prior to the changes was \$1,600,000.

Former Office Holder	Period	Employee Related	Office Rent	Car Transport	Telephones	Other Office Costs	Total
The Hon. Neville Wran (deceased)	2012/13	\$150,472	\$148,146	\$0	\$5,065	\$3,940	\$307,623
	2013/14	\$191,499	\$155,289	\$100	\$7,593	\$6,620	\$361,101
The Hon. Nick Greiner	2012/13	\$168,183	\$146,796	\$740	\$4,818	\$3,810	\$324,347
	2013/14	\$124,969	\$142,356	\$630	\$4,426	\$4,086	\$276,467
The Hon. John Fahey	2012/13	\$0	\$0	\$25,073	\$911	\$0	\$25,984
	2013/14	\$0	\$0	\$20,825	\$424	\$0	\$21,249
The Hon. Bob Carr	2012/13	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$164	\$164
	2013/14	\$102,455	\$86,385	\$4,936	\$1,248	\$1,770	\$196,793
The Hon. Barrie Unsworth	2012/13	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$0	\$0	\$300
	2013/14	\$0	\$0	\$278	\$0	\$0	\$278
The Hon. Nathan Rees, MP	2012/13	\$0	\$0	\$3,514	\$0	\$0	\$3,514
	2013/14	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	2012/13	\$318,655	\$294,942	\$29,627	\$10,794	\$7,914	\$661,932
	2013/14	\$418,923	\$384,029	\$26,768	\$13,691	\$12,476	\$855,888

Notes

- (a) Some costs incurred during 2011/12 were not brought to book until 2012/13 and are included in the figures for 2012/13.
- (b) "Employee Related" includes staff salaries, pay-roll tax, employer superannuation contributions, other on-costs and expenditure on contractors.
- (d) "Car Transport" includes the cost of vehicles and drivers' salaries as calculated by Transport Services' costing model.
- (e) "Other Office Costs" includes such items as audit fees, computer expenses, newspapers, postage and stationery.
- (f) Former Premier Carr's public support resumed upon his resignation from the Senate on 24 October 2013.
- (g) Mr Greiner pays a rental contribution of \$23,000 per annum.
- (h) Following Mr Wran's death (20 April 2014), the office of the former Premier remained open for a transitional period of approximately twelve weeks, allowing the office's affairs to be brought to an orderly close.