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The 2015-16 Budget consultation process was launched on 1 September 2014, encouraging interested community members, businesses and local organisations to share their views and suggestions as to how the ACT Government's resources are allocated, where services could be enhanced, and where possible efficiencies could be made. Submissions expressing ideas and comments were sought by 13 October 2014.

Background information and links to relevant documentation, including previous Budget Papers, were made available to the community through the Budget Consultation Website www.budgetconsultation.act.gov.au.

A total of 77 written submissions were received. The submissions covered a diverse range of issues including disability, health, education, community services, sports and recreation, arts and entertainment, public infrastructure, sustainability and public transport, as well as ACT finances. Submissions were publicly available on the Budget Consultation Website, unless the author specified that the submission was to be classified as confidential.

Directorates and agencies reviewed the individual submissions for consideration in the development of proposals for the 2015-16 Budget. Views and suggestions provided by the community were also used to inform decision making, drawing on the knowledge and experiences of users and providers of government services.

The Government would like to thank and acknowledge the following individuals, community groups and organisations for their contributions and participation in the 2015-16 Budget consultation process.

ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body
ACT Council of Parents & Citizens Associations
ACT Council of Social Service
ACT Medicare Local
ACT Mental Health Consumer Network
ACTSPORT
Advocacy for Inclusion
Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drug Association ACT
ANU Law Students' Society
Association of Independent Schools of the ACT (AISACT)
Australian Nursing and Midwifery Association ACT
Belconnen Arts Centre Incorporated
Belconnen Community Council
Blackman, Ms Margaret
Canberra CBD Limited
Canberra Convention Bureau (with input from Newgate Communications)
Canberra Organic Growers Society
CARE Inc.
Carers ACT
Childers Group
Communities@Work

Community and Public Sector Union (ACT)
Council on the Ageing ACT (COTA ACT)
Diamantina Scout Group
Directions ACT
Environmental Defender's Office ACT
Families ACT
Friends of Grasslands
Griffith/Narrabundah Community Association
Legal Aid Commission (ACT)
Living Streets Canberra
Macpherson, Dr Karen
Mental Health Community Coalition ACT
National Council of Women of ACT
National Disability Services (ACT)
Old Narrabundah Community Council Inc
Palliative Care ACT
Pastoral Care Council of the ACT
Pedal Power ACT
People with Disabilities ACT Inc
Southside Community Services Inc.
St Vincent de Paul Society
Superannuated Commonwealth Officers' Association (ACT) Inc
Sustainable Jill
The ACT Equestrian Association Incorporated
The AIDS Action Council of the ACT
The Cancer Support Group
Toora Women Inc.
Tourism & Transport Forum
Tuggeranong Community Council
UnionsACT
UnitingCare Kippax
Victims of Crime Commissioner ACT
Welfare Rights and Legal Centre
Weston Creek Community Council
Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service
Woden Community Service Inc.
Woden Valley Community Council
Women with Disabilities ACT
Women's Legal Centre (ACT & Region)
Youth Coalition of the ACT