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Sent by email: tristan.rust@parliament.sa.gov.au

Dear Ms Cook

Freedom of information application

I refer to your application under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the Act), received by the Office of the Minister for Human Services on 12 October 2018 seeking access to:

Copies of any and all documents (including but not limited to physical and electronic material) regarding DHS or Ministerial Paper 18TDCSI/560.

and

Copies of any and all documents (including but not limited to physical and electronic material) regarding DHS DV Roundtable.

On the 15th October, your office confirmed that these applications could be combined after being advised that they were requesting the same information.

Unfortunately, the Minister's Office was unable to make a determination on your application within the 30 days, therefore it is considered to be a 'deemed refusal' under section 19(2)(b) of the Act. However, our office has continued to process your application outside of this timeframe. Section 19(2)(a) of the Act provides that an agency can release documents outside of the thirty-day timeframe, and this is still taken to be a determination under the Act.

Seven documents fall within the scope of your application, and I have determined that these documents are to be released in full.

Please find enclosed a copy of the documents, and a document schedule containing a brief description of the documents.

If you are dissatisfied with my determination, you can seek an internal review by writing to the Minister for Human Services as the Principal Officer of the agency. Your request should be sent within 30 days of your receipt of this letter.

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, may/will be published on the agency's disclosure log. A copy of PC045 can be found at <http://dpc.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/services-for-government/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Amanda Hockings, Office Manager, on telephone 8463 3388 or by email at amanda.hockings2@sa.gov.au. If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your FOI application, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman SA. Please contact the Ombudsman directly on (08) 8226 8699.

Yours sincerely



Amanda Hockings
ACCREDITED FOI OFFICER

4 / 12 / 2018

SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS – MCOR/0063

Freedom of information application from the Ms Nat Cook seeking access to *Copies of any and all documents (including but not limited to physical and electronic material) regarding DHS DV Roundtable.*

No	Author	Addressee	Date	Description of document	Determination	Reason
1.	Department of Human Services	Minister for Human Services	27/03/2018	Briefing – DV Roundtable	Released in Full	
2.				Attachment 1 to Briefing	Released in Full	
3.				Attachment 2 to Briefing	Released in Full	
4.				Attachment 3 to Briefing	Released in Full	
5.				Attachment 4 to Briefing	Released in Full	
6.				Attachment 5 to Briefing	Released in Full	
7.				Attachment 6 to Briefing	Released in Full	

TO: MINISTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES

RE: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ROUNDTABLE/S

Commitment made to commence roundtables within 30 days of forming Government

Recommendation	Response
1. That you approve a series of roundtables being held with the domestic violence stakeholders beginning with a one day roundtable in metropolitan Adelaide.	Approved / Not Approved / Noted
2. That you confirm preferred date(s) for the first roundtable.	Approved / Not Approved / Noted
3. That you approve a wide range of stakeholders being invited based on those listed in attachment 1.	Approved / Not Approved / Noted
4. That you approve the draft invitation including your photo and signature being forwarded by the Office for Women as outlined in attachment 2.	
5. That you approve the draft running sheet as outlined in attachment 3.	
6. That you note the attached documents, which provide details of key organisations as well as current violence against women work and policy, a summary of new Government commitments, some detail on current or expected reports and a draft invite to an initial roundtable.	Approved / Not Approved / Noted

Comments: 	<hr/> Hon Michelle Lensink MLC / / 2018
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KEY POINTS

- The Government's 'Addressing Domestic and Family Violence' election policy (the policy) outlines a series of commitments and proposed reforms in relation to domestic and family violence.
- The policy commits to meeting with stakeholders within 30 days to discuss proposed reforms.
- Options for progressing consultation on violence against women with the women's sector are provided below.

DISCUSSION

There are several options available to you in terms of progressing the roundtable/s. These options are outlined below. You may decide to progress one or more of the following proposals:

- One full day event held in Adelaide, including regional services on teleconference or Skype;
- A series of roundtables, one in metropolitan Adelaide, others in regional areas, with the regional forums being based on information gathered by survey or other information gathering tools focused on regional organisations; or
- One event, open to all services, at a location to be determined.

The Office for Women (OFW) recommends a full day city-based roundtable for a wide range of stakeholders as soon as possible, with regional roundtables to occur later. If this approach is approved OFW will source a location for the city-based roundtable. Possible locations include Flinders University Victoria Square, the National Wine Centre or the Science Exchange. In order to meet the 30 day timeframe the first roundtable could be held on Friday 13 April or Tuesday 17 April depending on your availability.

You may also wish to run a wider survey or other information gathering tool to collect feedback from services across the State, wherever they are based. OFW would manage the development and distribution of the survey.

OFW recommends including a wide range of stakeholders in the roundtable in order to hear a variety of perspectives and issues for specific population groups. This will also provide one of your first opportunities to engage with these stakeholders as Minister for Human Services. OFW has prepared a list of key stakeholders who should be invited to the initial roundtable (attachment 1), noting that this list also includes regional stakeholders who could be invited to future regional forums if you approve the proposal to have a series of roundtables.

A draft invitation is attached that, with your approval, could include your photograph and signature for forwarding by OFW to stakeholders (attachment 2). OFW has also prepared a draft running sheet for the roundtable, as well as a broad reference to the proposed survey aimed at regional organisations (attachment 3).

OFW recommends a professional facilitator be engaged to manage the roundtables and has identified three women who could take on this role Ms Monica Redden, Ms Kate Gould and Emeritus Professor Anne Edwards. These women have not been approached to determine their availability or cost. Short biographies are attached for your information (attachment 4).

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It is reasonable to assume that stakeholders will want to discuss the policy proposals put forward by the Government during the 2018 election campaign. These are outlined in attachment 5. Background information on existing work and policy in the violence against women space is also attached which includes recommendations put forward by the Parliament of South Australia's Social Development Committee inquiry into Domestic/Family Violence in 2016 (attachment 6).

It would also be worth noting that there are a range of other recommendation based reports due in 2018. These include the report from the United Nation's Special Rapporteur on violence against women, who visited Australia in February 2017 (including South Australia). Consultations will also begin on the development of the Fourth Action Plan of the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children. The Office of the State Coroner has also advised that there will be a number of Coronial inquests this year where domestic violence is a factor. This includes the inquest into the deaths of Ms Graziella Dailier and Mr Dion Muir which is scheduled to begin on 3 April and conclude on 18 May.

Speaking points, a presentation or other materials for use at the roundtable/s will be provided to you as required. OFW will work with the Department of Human Services (DHS) Communications and Engagement Team to develop a communications plan including draft media release, social media posts through the Women's Information Service and DHS social media channels and online surveys if needed.

BUDGET

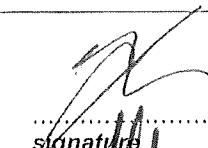

Are there financial implications No
The roundtable/s will not require funding and costs will be met from within existing resources.

Is there a budget impact No
Some commitments outlined in the policy are currently unfunded.

Is there an FTE impact No

MEDIA/SENSITIVE:

You may wish to announce the roundtable/s via media release and/or social media. Yes

Division			
Director	Fiona Mort	 signature	26.13.18 date
Chief Executive	Tony Harrison	 signature	27.13.18 date

ATTACHMENTS

1. Invitation List
2. Draft Invitation
3. Draft Running Sheet
4. Recommended Facilitators
5. Summary of Government election commitments
6. Background information on current violence against women agendas

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Attachment One – Invitation List

There is a long history of tireless advocacy from the South Australian women's sector around a variety of issues, from improved responses to domestic violence and sexual assault to the need for law reform. This advocacy is often not limited to specific areas related to the organisation's 'official business', with many organisations taking up wide ranging issues.

In terms of the proposed roundtable/s, it may therefore be prudent to engage with the broader women's sector, rather than just the sexual and domestic violence services, on the Government commitments and proposed reforms.

Specialist Violence Services:

Service	Name	Position
Yarrow Place	Ms Katrina Dee	Director
Women's Safety Services SA	Ms Maria Hagias	CEO
Victim Support Service	Ms Madge McGuire	CEO
Coalition of Domestic Violence Services	Ms Susie Smith (Co-chair)	Director, Limestone Coast Domestic Violence Service

Regional Specialist Women's Services:

Service	Name	Position
Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Domestic Violence Service	Ms Jess Stevens	Regional Manager
Murray Mallee & Adelaide Hills Domestic Violence Service	Ms Desi Alexandridis	Regional Manager
Port Augusta Regional Domestic Violence and Aboriginal Family Violence Service	Ms Katrina Almond	Manager
Yarredi Services	Ms Sharyn Potts	EO
Whyalla Regional Domestic Violence Service	Mr John Rademaker	Manager
Yorke and Mid North Regional Domestic Violence Service	Ms Patricia Rollins	Manager
Ceduna Domestic Violence and Aboriginal Family Violence Service	Ms Josephine Christmann	Manager

Multicultural Services and Groups:

Service	Name	Position
Migrant Resource Centre	Ms Eugenia Tsoulis	CEO
Multicultural Communities Council of SA	Ms Helena Kyriazopoulos	CEO
Multicultural Youth SA	Ms Tamara Stewart Jones	CEO

Aboriginal Services & Organisations:

Service	Name	Position
Family Violence Legal Service: Aboriginal Corporation SA	Ms Kate Clarke	CEO
Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM)	Ms Cheryl Axleby	CEO
Kornar Winmil Yunti	Mr Craig Rigney	CEO
Nunga Mi:minar Aboriginal Women's Family Violence Service	Ms Tina Quitadamo	CEO

Broader Women's Organisations:

- Women's Legal Service, Zita Ngor, Chief Executive Officer
- Women Lawyers Association of SA Inc, Leah Marrone, President
- Zahra Foundation, Kylie O'Callaghan, General Manager
- YWCA, Liz Forsyth, Chief Executive Officer
- Women with Disabilities SA, Margie Charlesworth Convenor
- Working Women's Centre, Sandra Dann, Director
- RSPCA SA, Ralph Olivieri, Project Officer (Safe Kennels)
- National Council of Women of SA Inc, Margaret Flint OAM, President

Other Stakeholders:

- Premier's Council for Women, Acting Chair: Maria Hagias
- Women's Services Network, Terese Edwards, Chief Executive Officer National Council of Single Mothers and their Children
- Arman, Atena and Anita Abrahamzede
- Business and Professional Women (BPW), President of BPW Adelaide, Angela Vaughan,
- Country Women's Association (SA), Linda Bertram, State President
- Zonta, Cintra Amos, District 23 Service Chair
- Council of the Ageing South Australia, Jane Moussard, Chief Executive Officer
- St Vincent DePaul, David Wark, Chief Executive Officer
- Relationships Australia SA, Clare Ralfs, Chief Executive Officer

Attachment Two – Draft Invitation

INVITATION

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ROUNDTABLE

The Office for Women, on behalf of the Minister for Human Services, the Hon Michelle Lensink MLC, is pleased to invite you to a roundtable to discuss the Government's commitments to addressing violence against women.

Date: xxx 2018

Time: 10am-3pm

Place: xxx, Adelaide

This is the first of a series of roundtables being planned. Additional roundtables in regional areas will occur for organisations unable to attend the Adelaide event, following some direct consultation with those of you working in South Australia's regional, rural and remote areas.

As you know, the South Australian Government outlined several key commitments in the lead up to the 2018 election. The Minister would like to hear from you, directly, about your priorities, your ideas for reform, as well as any other issues related to violence against women or your organisation.

The Government is committed to doing all we can to address violence. As you are the experts in your fields, we want to work with you to ensure that victims are supported and our responses and policies are the very best that they can be.

Please RSVP as soon as possible to:

Annie Francis, Manager Policy, Office for Women
annie.francis@sa.gov.au

Attachment Three Draft Running Sheet

9.30 am	Registrations	
10.00 am	Welcome and Introductions	Facilitator
10.10 am	Opening Address	Hon Michelle Lensink MLC Minister for Human Services
10.20 am	Facilitator Outlines the Day's Proceedings & Future Regional Roundtables/Regional Survey	Facilitator
10.35 am	The Government's Commitments - discussion	Facilitator Scribing by OFW staff
12.00 pm	Lunch	
12.45 pm	A Reform Agenda – What Should That Look Like?	Facilitator Scribing by OFW staff
1.45 pm	Discussion with Organisations – Challenges and Opportunities	Facilitator Scribing by OFW staff
3.00 pm	Next Steps and Close	Facilitator

Attachment Four**Recommended Facilitators:****Monica Redden****Owner, Management Happenings**

Monica specialises in management, leadership and organisational development, facilitation and mediation. She works with government, community and corporate clients across Australia and internationally. She has owned and managed Monica Redden Consultancy business since 1996.

The modern workplace demands people to be nimble, smart, thoughtful, communicative, creative, collaborative and productive. She supports managers and leaders to be curious and courageous about their work and shine a light on their skills in planning, strategic thinking, problem solving, responsiveness and effective change management.

Her commitment to social and economic improvement in developing countries has resulted in focussing on influencing the practice of management and leadership.

Anne Edwards**Emeritus Professor**

Anne is a sociologist who has spent her career in universities, most recently at Flinders University, where she was Vice-Chancellor from 2001 to 2007. Her academic interests include social inequality, social control, the modern state, social policy, ageing, women and gender issues and she has worked with governments and non-government organisations on a range of social policy issues. Among her current activities are membership of various South Australian boards and national bodies. She was until recently Chair of Australia's National Research Organisation for Women's Safety and is President of COTA SA, as well as member of the Art Gallery of SA Board.

Kate Gould**Kate Gould & Associates – Management Consultant and Digital Entrepreneur**

Kate Gould is an arts consultant and online business entrepreneur. She consults to festivals, events, venues, government and the university sector.

In her former role as Chief Executive and Artistic Director of the Adelaide Festival of Arts, Kate was instrumental in shifting Australia's major arts festival from biennial to an annual event. She secured an additional \$8 million in new government investment into the event each year. Kate has held executive producer roles with the Brisbane Festival (four festivals) and the Queensland Performing Arts Centre. She also held executive management roles with distinguished commercial producer The Gordon Frost Organisation.

Kate Gould was the winner of her category of the 2009 Telstra Business Women's Award (SA) and in 2012 lectured at the masters program at the University of South Australia.

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Attachment Five – Domestic Violence Election Commitments

The Government has made several important commitments to improving outcomes for South Australians experiencing domestic violence. There exists a real possibility to link several election commitments in to a coherent plan of reform for the sector. For example, safety hubs, 24/7 Crisis Hotline and new crisis accommodation commitments fit together and could help to establish new service delivery mechanisms.

A Funded Peak Body for Domestic Violence Services

The Coalition of Women's Domestic Violence Services (the Coalition) is currently an unfunded peak body for South Australian domestic violence services. The Government has committed to providing peak body funding to the Coalition.

Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme

The Government has committed to trialling a DVDS. This is led by the Attorney-General's department with input from SAPOL and the Office for Women.

Safety Hubs

The extension of safety hubs in regional SA, to be driven by local needs. These hubs modelled on the one operating at the Women's Safety Services SA Mile End site will be a single entry point for integrated services, which could include SAPOL and social housing representatives, legal aid and social workers.

Women who experience violence and sexual assault in regional areas often have to travel significant distances to access justice, domestic violence and health services. Safety hubs co-locating essential services for women and their children experiencing domestic violence and/or sexual assault would increase safety and improve outcomes for the individual or family more generally.

Safety hubs in regional areas may also serve to promote primary prevention education within the local community. Safety hubs should include responses for victims of sexual violence, including health, justice and support services.

A budget will be required to implement this commitment. The cost will depend on many factors including establishment and operational costs, partnering arrangements, the operating model, and staff resourcing. However if these hubs are modelled on the WSSSA multi agency hub there may be the capacity to reduce costs as existing staff could be relocated as occurred with the WSSSA multi agency hub. The remaining issue will be accessing appropriate accommodation, as the WSSSA multi agency hub is not located with their regional dv services.

Crisis Accommodation

Families affected by domestic violence (DV) will have access to 40 new accommodation beds in three domestic violence crisis centres. Further discussion with Housing SA will be needed.

No Interest Loans for Women's Shelters

The Government has committed to establishing and funding an interest free, 20-year loan scheme for the non-government sector to fund capital projects in the domestic violence sector. Further discussions with Housing SA and the Department of Treasury and Finance will be required.

Intervention Order Breaches

The Government has committed to introducing legislation to toughen penalties for abusers who repeatedly breach conditions of court orders put in place to protect their victims. This is

a matter which will need to be discussed with SAPOL and the Attorney-General's Department.

Data Sharing

This commitment relates to ensuring that domestic violence data suits the needs of the sector. This will be done by ensuring relevant and accurate data is being collected, and is accessible across government and non-government sectors. Work has already commenced on improving SA data and access to data.

Personal Protection App

The app will link at-risk individuals directly to SAPOL and domestic and family violence services. No budget has been announced, however there will be costs incurred in development and implementation. In addition, SAPOL have expressed concerns over the feature which enables SMS or App messages to be sent to emergency services.

24/7 Crisis Hotline

Women's Safety Services SA (WSSSA) operates the SA Domestic Violence Crisis Line. The Crisis Line currently operates only during normal business hours from 9am to 5pm, providing a call back service if a client leaves a message. All messages will receive a return phone call and messages will not be left with anyone other than the original caller. Outside of business hours, people are forwarded to the Homelessness Gateway service for assistance. 1800 RESPECT is a national 24-hour online and telephone service offering counselling and support to anyone experiencing domestic and family violence.

The cost for implementing this commitment is estimated at \$400,000 per annum based on WSSSA advice.

Keeping Victims Informed (Bail/Parole Conditions/Perpetrator Responses)

Increased access to rehabilitation programs for perpetrators of violence against women is a key step to enabling perpetrators to change their violent behaviours and attitudes. Issues related to bail and parole and so on, will need to be raised with SAPOL and Courts Administration Authority.

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Attachment Six**The Current Violence Against Women (VAW) Agenda in South Australia**

The VAW Agenda is led by the Office for Women (OFW) in South Australia. OFW works closely with Housing SA, as the funder of specialist women's DV services, and other areas of the Department of Communities and Social Inclusion, as well as SAPOL, Corrections, Attorney General's Department, Office for the Aging, Aboriginal Affairs, Child Protection and SA Health. OFW has strong links to the non-government women's sector and victims support services, and contract manages a range of services and programs delivered by NGOs.

OFW is the lead in working with the Commonwealth Government and state and territory governments in developing and delivering actions under the National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and their Children 2010-2022 (the National Plan).

National Agenda

- National Plan

The National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and their Children 2012-2022 provides a clear framework for collaborative and focused intervention by the Commonwealth, state and territory governments. Activities under the National Plan are an ongoing component of the broader response to improve the safety and wellbeing of women.

- Third Action Plan

The Third Action Plan 2016-19, which sits under the National Plan, was launched at the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) National Summit on Reducing Violence against Women in October 2016.

Priorities under the Third Action Plan are:

1. prevention and early intervention;
2. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their children;
3. greater support and choice;
4. sexual violence;
5. responding to children living with violence; and
6. keeping perpetrators accountable across all systems.

These priorities align with the recommendations of the COAG Advisory Panel on Reducing Violence Against Women and their Children and the consultations that were held as part of its development. They also reflect the key recommendation of various inquiries including the Victorian Royal Commission, Queensland Taskforce and Social Australia's Social Development Committee.

- Working Groups

A range of Working Groups have been established to progress the actions outlined in the Third Action Plan. South Australia chairs the Housing and Homelessness Working Group, and co-chairs the Aboriginal Family Violence Working Group with the Northern Territory.

- Fourth Action Plan

The Fourth Action Plan is currently being developed and there is an opportunity to complement this with the developed of a new policy agenda for South Australia.

Current State Policy & Structures

- **Achieving Women's Equality**

With regards to the current policy settings, the South Australian Women's Policy, Achieving Women's Equality, released in July 2015, has been the framework for work in this portfolio. It is underpinned by three pillars of action:

1. improving women's economic status;
2. increasing women's leadership and participation; and
3. improving women's safety and wellbeing.

- **A Right to Safety**

A Right to Safety (ARTS) is South Australia's Women's Safety Strategy 2011-2022, outlining the former government's response to violence against women and commitment to the National Plan.

ARTS builds on the reforms undertaken since 2005 through the South Australia's Women's Safety Strategy to improve legislation and services to increase community understanding of the effects of violence against women. It also has a strong focus on prevention.

ARTS is overseen by a Chief Executives' Group, including CEs from all relevant state government departments.

- **Taking a Stand**

Released in October 2014, Taking a Stand: Responding to Domestic Violence outlines the former government's response to the Coroner's recommendations regarding the death of Zahra Abrahimzadeh.

- **Data and information sharing**

Through the ARTS CE Group OFW, with a range of other agencies, is currently engaged in a number of initiatives designed to ensure relevant data in relation to domestic and family violence is being collected and reported, in order to enhance decision making.

- **Co-location of Services & WSSSA**

On 5 July 2016, the Central Domestic Violence Service, Domestic Violence Crisis Service which provides the Domestic Violence and Aboriginal Family Violence Gateway Service and Migrant Women's Support Service merged to form Women's Safety Services SA (WSSSA).

WSSSA provides an integrated response to violence against women through the provision of specialised, accessible and flexible models of service delivery.

WSSSA's premises at Mile End host the non-regional domestic violence services such as the Domestic Violence Crisis Service and the Migrant Women's Support Service, as well as hosting the first multi-agency safety hub which includes representatives from South Australia Police and the Department for Correctional Services. Discussions are currently occurring with the Department for Child Protection about co-location and support for children living with domestic violence.

- **MAPS & FSF**

The Multi Agency Protection Service (MAPS) and Family Safety Framework (FSF) structures share information across the government and non-government sectors, under Information

Sharing Guidelines. This occurs as needed, relevant to the risk and safety concerns of victims of domestic and family violence.

- NOSPI

In 2015, the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) committed to the National Outcome Standards for Perpetrator Interventions (NOSPI) which identify the need for women and children to live free from domestic, family and sexual violence. The purpose of the standards is to ensure that:

1. Women's and children's safety is a core priority of all interventions
2. Perpetrators receive the right interventions at the right time
3. Perpetrators face appropriate justice and legal consequences when they commit the violence
4. The interventions and services enable perpetrators to change their violent behaviours and attitudes
5. The interventions are driven by credible evidence to continuously improve
6. People working in the intervention system are skilled in responding to the dynamics and impacts of domestic, family and sexual violence.

South Australia has committed to ensuring the standards are met across all interventions and systems in the state. An ongoing commitment to these standards will include appropriate monitoring of the interventions and systems in place to protect women and their children, ongoing support to address any systemic problems and respond to concerns, and commitment to adequately fund and evaluate perpetrator interventions to ensure effectiveness and continuous improvement.

- Domestic Violence Discussion Paper, including DVDS

The former Attorney-General released the then South Australian Government's response to feedback on the Domestic Violence Discussion Paper. Key initiatives arising from the feedback received include:

- Development of protocols for a trial domestic violence disclosure scheme (DVDS) in South Australia
- Allowing video-evidence of domestic and family violence incidents recorded by police to be admissible in court
- Changes to the law that would see a wider range of domestic violence related offences classified as 'aggravated offences'
- Seeking to include domestic violence as a ground of discrimination under the Equal Opportunity Act 1984
- Using data systems to flag domestic violence offences and high-risk repeat offenders

The then Government remained committed to not imposing expiry dates on intervention orders.

SDC Report in Domestic and Family Violence

The SDC Report in Domestic and Family Violence was tabled in both houses of Parliament on 12 April 2016. The Report identified system-wide issues and made 35 recommendations.

The former Government's response to the Social Development Committee's Inquiry in to domestic and family violence was finalised and tabled in the House of Assembly on Wednesday November 30 2016.

Key recommendations likely to be raised by stakeholders relate to funding models of specialist domestic violence services, those related to government procurement processes and those related to domestic violence as a workplace and industrial issue (specifically the inclusion of domestic violence in equal opportunity legislation).

Some of the key recommendations include:

Recommendation Four:

It is recommended that the South Australian Government introduce a policy that ensures Government funding and sponsorships will only be made available to those programs, events and functions that portray women in a respectful way.
(Supported in principle by former Government).

Recommendation Six:

It is recommended that the South Australian Government encourage all workplaces in South Australia to have a policy and action plan in place for supporting employees experiencing domestic and family violence and to foster them to have a 'no tolerance' philosophy. The Committee calls upon the South Australian Government to make a minimum requirement of future funding and sponsorship agreements that recipients must have a policy and action plan in place.
(Supported in principle by former Government).

Recommendation Fifteen:

It is recommended that the Minister for Communities and Social Inclusion review the service model for Specialist Women's Domestic and Aboriginal Family Violence Services to ensure there is an adequate range and level of service responses to meet the needs of victims of domestic and family violence living in regional, rural and remote communities.
(Supported in principle by former Government).

Recommendation Twenty:

It is recommended that the South Australian Government transfer responsibility and dedicated funding for Specialist Women's Domestic and Aboriginal Family Violence Services to a single portfolio rather than across departments for Correctional Services and Communities and Social Inclusion, the Office for Women and Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation. Given the nature of these services they would be consistent with the portfolio of the Minister for the Status of Women.
(Partially supported by former Government).

Recommendation Twenty One:

It is recommended that the South Australian Government lobby the Commonwealth Government to separate dedicated domestic and family violence funding for accommodation from general homelessness services, as they currently are, and place them within the women's sector. This would improve focus on a 'safety first' response, rather than a 'housing first' response.
(Partially supported by former Government).

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Recommendation Thirty One:

It is recommended that the Attorney-General amend the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 to make it illegal to discriminate against a person on the grounds of domestic and family violence.

(No position provided at the time of tabling due to the overlap with the former Government's Domestic Violence Discussion Paper).

An additional briefing on the progress made to date on SDC recommendations can be provided to you, or placed on the agenda for a meeting with OFW's Director.