

Chief Minister and Cabinet Directorate

Achievements since 13 May 2011

Type of achievement	Name of achievement
Major reports released/tabled	<p>ACT Government's Infrastructure Plan: 2011-2021 on 12 July 2011</p> <p>Release of the Canberra Social Plan 2011.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Canberra Social Plan 2011 is available on the CMCD website as a pdf or plain text: www.cmd.act.gov.au/policystrategic/socialplan <p>Release of the Triple Bottom Line Assessment for the ACT Government - Discussion paper</p>
Major reports responded	<p>ACT Government response to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts Report No. 15 Inquiry into the Auditor-General Act 1996 tabled on in the Assembly on 16 August 2011.</p> <p>ACT Government response to the Review of the Act Asbestos Management Strategy</p>
Legislation introduced	<p>Passage of the Public Sector Management (One ACT Public Service) Amendment Act 2011 and the Administrative (One ACT Public Service Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 2011 on 23 June 2011.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> These acts amended the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> and other legislation to create a one ACT Public Service model as recommended in the 'Governing the City State' report by Dr Allan Hawke AC. <p>Introduction of the Work Safety Bill to nationally harmonise work health and safety laws was introduced into the Legislative Assembly on 23 June 2011.</p>
Key announcements	<p>Chief Minister's Statement on Open Government 23/6/2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specifications and design now online for feedback and comment at www.timetotalk.act.gov.au <p>Development of the Administration of Grants in the ACT (Policy).</p> <p>Annual Report on The Canberra Plan: Towards Our Second Century.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The report outlines the achievements of the Government in 2010-11 against the 7 key themes of the Canberra Plan. <p>Weekly release of Cabinet summaries</p> <p>First Australian Virtual Community Cabinet held 26 July 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Around 200 participants talked to their Ministers during the hour and approximately 450 tweets were sent within the session. <p>Cabinet moving to electronic readers</p> <p>Online FOI policy established</p> <p>Release of new tenders – Worker's Compensation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Release of a tender for a new claims and policy data warehouse. <p>Finalisation of Worker's Compensation and Work Safety Improvement Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The plan focuses on delivering a 'one service approach' to the care, recovery and support of ACTPS injured workers with a single cohesive strategy executed across the service. <p>Establishment of the People and Performance Council</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The People and Performance Council was convened for the first time and will meet on a fortnightly basis to provide directorate views and input on the whole-of-Government work program relating to management of the ACT public service. 	
<p>Key consultations/ round tables</p>	<p>Community Services Roundtable - Announcement On 1 August 2011, the Chief Minister, Katy Gallagher committed to holding a roundtable on emergency relief to develop new approaches to supporting families facing financial stress.</p> <p>The Community Services Roundtable will be held on 1 September 2011 with a number of community service organisations that receive government funding . The Roundtable will be an opportunity to discuss a range of issues and challenges and identify new areas where government and community services can work together to reach those most in need. In particular, there is a need to look at those in the community who are experiencing financial stress and who are not eligible for concessions. Measures will be discussed on how to meet these pressures in a targeted way.</p> <p>Asbestos Regulator’s Forum Convened and held the first meeting of the Asbestos Regulator’s Forum, an inter-governmental committee established to improve the management and coordination of major asbestos incidents and issues in the Territory.</p> <p>Work Safety Council Held a meeting of the Work Safety Council on 27 May 2011 to consult stakeholders in respect of planned legislative amendments and policy issues arising in relation to work safety, dangerous substances and workers’ compensation legislation.</p> <p>Safe Work Australia Participated in national negotiations to formulate the first tranche package of national model work health and safety regulations and codes of practice in conjunction with Safe Work Australia and other jurisdictions.</p> <p>Attendance at Safe Work Australia Members meeting on 21 July 2011.</p>	
		Started? Yes/No
<p>Key budget items which have commenced</p>	<p>Government Information Office</p>	<p>Established 1/7/2011</p>
	<p>Salary Packaging for Bus Travel In accordance with the commitment given under the 2010-11 enterprise agreements, salary packaging arrangements for bus travel has been made available to staff and their families.</p>	
	<p>National Solar Schools Program (NSSP) - Through the NSSP, ACT public schools will receive a total of \$2.341m over three years. These funds will be combined with \$2m from the ACT Solar Schools Program.</p>	

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<p>Major events attended</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Director-General/ Deputy Director General 	<p>Minister:</p> <p>Attendance at Workplace Relations Ministers' Council 10 August 2011.</p> <p>COAG 19 August 2011</p> <p>CAF 18 August 2011</p> <hr/> <p>D-G/DD-G: other than those attended by the Minister</p>
<p>Other major Directorate achievements</p>	<p>Significant national agreement reached on National Health Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Agreement will provide the ACT an extra \$260million in Commonwealth health funding between 2014-15 and 2019-20. This is in addition to the \$67 million already committed by the Commonwealth under the National Partnership Agreement on Improving Public Hospital Services for emergency department, elective surgery and subacute services. <p>ACT-NSW Regional Management Framework</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ACT has initiated discussions with the NSW Government to strengthen and renew our relationship. On 8 July 2011 the Chief Minister wrote to the NSW Premier, the Hon Barry O'Farrell MP and suggested that there was a need to strengthen and update the ACT-NSW Regional Management Framework and sought a meeting with him to discuss a range of cross border issues. On 5 August 2011 Senior Officials from Chief Minister and Cabinet Directorate met with their counterparts from the NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet to commence this work. <p>Graduate Ceremony for pilot traineeship program for people with an intellectual disability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The pilot traineeship program offering an employment and development opportunity for people with an intellectual disability was implemented across the ACTPS. This program offered trainees an opportunity to gain work experience in administrative roles and formal training to support their work based experience, including a nationally recognised qualification, a Certificate II in Business. The August 2010 intake involved nine trainees participated across six Directorates. On 2 August 2011, a graduation ceremony was held where the trainees were presented with their qualifications from the Chief Minister in front of supervisors, peers, family and friends. <p>ICT Strategic Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> finalised, on exposure draft, cabinet considers submission 30/8/2011 <p>Information Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee TOR developed, prior to endorsement by Strategic Board