

**MEDIA RELEASE****19 April 2024****Performance audit of reusable facility services procurement**

ACT Auditor-General, Mr Michael Harris, today announced that the Audit Office is undertaking an audit of the procurement of reusable facility services.

The objective and scope of the audit is included as an attachment.

The audit is intended to be completed and presented to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly for tabling in the first quarter of 2024-25.

## Audit Objective

The objective of the audit is to assess the probity of the procurement of reusable facility services.

## Audit Scope

The audit is focused on the procurement of reusable facility services at the Mugga Lane Resource Management Centre and the Mitchell Resource Management Centre. The procurement was commenced in 2023 and concluded in March 2024.

The audit is focused on the activities of the Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate to plan for, and conduct, the procurement.

In considering TCCS' planning for the procurement, the audit will consider TCCS' activities to effectively design and plan for a procurement that:

- met the policy objectives for the services being procured; and
- provided for a fair, transparent and equitable process.

In considering TCCS' conduct of the procurement, the audit will consider TCCS' activities to:

- engage and communicate with potential service providers; and
- assess and evaluate potential service providers' responses against relevant evaluation criteria.

The audit will consider whether:

- appropriate processes were followed when conducting the procurement, including adherence to ACT Government procurement rules and requirements; and
- value for money considerations, as outlined in section 22A of the *Government Procurement Act 2001*, were appropriately considered.

The audit will consider whether the contract that was agreed with the successful respondent accorded with:

- the ACT Government policy objectives for the service; and
- the terms and conditions of the procurement.

## Out of Scope

The audit will not consider the rationale for, or merit of, the services being procured, including the initial identification of business and operational needs.