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## **Auditor-General's annual difficult decision – selecting future performance audit topics**

ACT Auditor-General, Dr Maxine Cooper, today announced the ***Performance Audit Program 2017-18 and Potential Audits to Commence over 2018-19 to 2019-20*** (the Program).

Dr Cooper says 'Selecting which topics should be the subject of a performance audit is a very important and difficult decision. There are always many candidates.'

The Audit Office intends to table eight performance audits in 2017-18, which is an increase on the seven that are usually tabled. There are numerous topic areas and it is important that the diverse range of activities and agencies are covered.

'Topics are chosen after consultation and strategic analysis. We will continue to focus on high risks to the Territory and plan audits over a three year period' said Dr Cooper.

### **Performance audits in the 2017-18 Program currently underway are:**

- Land Development Agency's assembly of rural land in the ACT
- Management of public art
- ACT Government agency performance indicators

### **Those to be commenced in 2017-18 are:**

- Educational support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students
- ACT Health response to misreporting of data
- Early intervention and prevention initiatives for children
- Protective Security Policy Framework
- Carbon Neutral Government
- ACT clubs' community contributions
- Stormwater management
- Affordable housing
- ICT strategic planning
- Crown lease variations

The ***Performance Audit Program 2017-18 and Potential Audits to Commence over 2018-19 to 2019-20*** is available from the ACT Audit Office website [www.audit.act.gov.au](http://www.audit.act.gov.au) and the Office (please phone 6207 0833 or go to 11 Moore Street, Canberra City).