

## APPENDIX C – PRO-FORMA REQUEST FOR COSTING AN ELECTION COMMITMENT<sup>1</sup>

Name of policy	Support Australia's Surf Life Savers
Person requesting costing (Prime Minister/Leader of the Opposition/Leader of a minority party):	Prime Minister
Date of public release of policy:	27 June 2016
Date of request to cost the policy:	27 June 2016
Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents):	\$10 million over four years for Surf Life Saving Australia, to invest in technology upgrades, expand training opportunities, improve skills development and expand recruitment.
Intention of policy:	To boost the capacity of Surf Life Saving Australia to upgrade its volunteer training and deliver preventative safety measures at local beaches.
Certification that this, or a substantially similar costing request, has not been submitted to the Parliamentary Budget Office	This policy has not been submitted to the PBO.
<b>Description of policy (please note that, where the request to cost a proposal differs from the announced policy, the costing will be on the basis of information provided in the costing request)</b>	
<b>What are the key assumptions that have been made in the policy including:</b>	
Is the policy part of a package? If yes, list and outline components and interactions with proposed or existing policies.	No third party involved in funding. Surf Life Saving Australia will administer the policy.
Where relevant, is funding for the policy to be demand driven or a capped amount?	Capped amount.
Will third parties (for instance the States/Territories) have a role in funding or delivering the policy? If yes, is the Australian Government contribution capped, with additional costs to be met by third parties, or is another funding formula envisaged?	No
Are there associated savings, offsets or expenses? If yes, please provide details.	No.

<sup>1</sup> An electronic version of this pro-forma can be found at [www.electioncostings.gov.au/templates](http://www.electioncostings.gov.au/templates).

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**What are the key assumptions that have been made in the policy including:  
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Does the policy relate to a previous budget measure? If yes, which measure?	No
If the proposal would change an existing measure, are savings expected from the departmental costs of implementing the programme? Will funding/cost require indexation? If yes, list factors used.	N/A
What are the estimated costs each year? Are these provided on a cash or fiscal basis?	\$2.5 million per year for four years.
What assumptions have been made in deriving the expected financial impact in the party costing (please provide information on the data sources used to develop the policy)?	N/A
Has the policy been costed by a third party? If yes, can you provide a copy of this costing and its assumptions?	No.
What is the expected community impact of the policy? How many people will be affected by the policy? What is the likely take up? What is the basis for these impact assessments/assumptions?	Around 170,000 Australians are members of Surf Life Saving Australia, patrolling over 350 beaches. Surf life savers save lives and make beaches safer for the millions of Australians and visitors that make use of patrolled beaches. There are over 300 surf life saving clubs in Australia, reliant on the work of volunteers and external support. As such, the vast majority of these clubs can be expected to seek access to the support provided through this commitment over a four year period.

**NOTE:** it will be up to the professional judgment of the relevant Secretary as to whether these assumptions are adopted in a Treasury or Finance costing of the policy.

<b>Administration of policy</b>	
Who will administer the policy (for example, Australian Government entity, the States, non-government organisation, etc)?	Surf Life Saving Australia will administer the policy.
Should departmental expenses associated with this policy be included in this costing? If no, will the Department be expected to absorb expenses associated with this policy? If yes, please specify the key assumptions, including whether departmental costs are expected with respect to programme management (by policy agencies) and additional transactions/processing (by service delivery agencies).	Departments will be expected to absorb expenses associated with this policy. Such costs are expected to be minimal.
Intended date of implementation.	As soon as practicable in 2016-17.
Intended duration of policy.	4 years
Are there transitional arrangements associated with policy implementation?	No
List major data sources utilised to develop policy (for example, ABS cat. no. 3201.0).	N/A
Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered?	N/A