

fiscal year 1971-72, including initial set-up costs for furniture conforming to the design of the building. Thus the average expenditure per employee relates to the six fiscal years from 1971-72 to 1976-77. The amount of \$832,400 for fixtures include fixtures used by Joint Administrative Services which serves the Treasury Board Secretariat.

TREASURY BOARD OFFICES—EXPENDITURE FOR FURNITURE AND FIXTURES

Question No. 754—**Mr. Stevens:**

1. What was the total expenditure for (a) furniture and fixtures (b) decorative plants and wall accessories for the Treasury Board offices in Place Bell Canada?
2. (a) For which items were the contracts awarded for decorating (b) to whom were the contracts awarded (c) what was the amount?
3. What is the average expenditure per employee for furniture and fixtures?

**Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** I am informed by the Treasury Board Secretariat and the Department of Public Works as follows: 1. (a) \$1,217,895. This amount is the aggregate amount purchased between FY 71/72 and FY 76/77. It includes: furniture, \$609,470; fixtures including wall partitions, lighting fixtures, telephones, door frames, doors, drapes and blinds, \$410,000; wall units and filing equipment, \$198,425; total expenditure for a six year period, \$1,217,895. (b) Decorative plants, including maintenance and replacements, \$55,000; wall accessories, \$2,900.

2. (a) Contracts were awarded for all items of decorating. (b) (i) Decorative Plants: Fine Flowers Ltd., Eric Jensen Greenhouses Limited. (ii) Wall accessories: Olympia and York Developments Limited. (c) (i) \$45,000; \$10,000. (ii) \$2,900.

3. Furniture, \$729.03; fixtures, \$490.43; wall units and filing equipment, \$237.35; total, \$1,456.81. The information covers expenditures since occupancy of Place Bell Canada in fiscal year 1971-72, including initial set-up costs for furniture conforming to the design of the building. The average expenditure was arrived at by dividing the total expenditure for the six fiscal years from 1971-72 to 1976-77 by the current population.

CMHC FUNDING FOR LOW RENTAL HOUSING PROJECT, HAMILTON, ONTARIO

Question No. 812—**Mr. McGrath:**

1. Did Hamilton contractor Mr. Dominic Morganti apply for CMHC funding for a low rental housing project at (a) Main Place, Main Street West (b) York Place, Queen Street North, Hamilton, Ontario and, if so, on what date?

2. Were Mr. Morganti's applications (a) turned down by CMHC and, if so, for what reasons (b) accepted by CMHC and, if so, what were the arrangements?

3. What are the names of the CMHC officials who made the decisions affecting the financing of the projects?

4. What is the name of the solicitor for Mr. Morganti who negotiated with CMHC?

5. What were the amounts and dates of the advances of all monies made by CMHC to Mr. Morganti from the time CMHC approved the initial loan until CMHC foreclosed on York Place?

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6. Were any requests for additional funds for Mr. Morganti for York Place (a) refused and, if so, on what dates (b) accepted by CMHC and, if so (i) in what amounts (ii) on what dates were they approved (iii) what were the details of CMHC's arrangements with Mr. Morganti?

7. Which officials had the ultimate authority for approving the additional amounts granted to Mr. Morganti for York Place?

8. Were there any liens or claims on York Place prior to the additional funds being approved and/or advances being made on the original amount and/or advances being made on the additional amounts approved and, if so, what are the details?

9. (a) What are the names of the solicitors who acted for CMHC with regard to York Place (b) what other work have they done for CMHC and what amount was paid to each (c) are there any claims by CMHC against them and, if so, what are the grounds (d) did the same solicitors work for any other Crown corporation, department or agency and, if so, which Crown corporation, department or agency and what was the amount paid in fees to each?

10. Did CMHC, at any time, receive complaints or protests from any sub-contractors that they were not being paid for their work at York Place and, if so, what action, if any, was taken?

11. Was York Place ever used as collateral on Main Place and, if so, what are the details?

12. From the time the first monies were advanced by CMHC to Mr. Morganti for York Place, did CMHC rank as first mortgage holder in all respects until the time CMHC foreclosed on York Place and, if not, what are the details?

13. Is the mortgage on York Place held by Messrs. Saul Kelner and James Leibel and, if so, what are the details?

14. How much does CMHC estimate it will cost to finish York Place?

15. What is the current assessed value of York Place?

16. Is CMHC satisfied that all the funds approved and advanced to York Place were actually used in York Place?

17. At the time CMHC foreclosed on York Place, what percentage of it was occupied by tenants?

18. At the time York Place first began to accept tenants, was CMHC satisfied with the standards of work throughout the building and, if not, what are the details?

19. Has CMHC received any complaints about the standard of work throughout York Place from officials or authorities representing provincial and/or municipal bodies or agencies and, if so, what are the details of such complaints?

20. As of this date, what is Mr. Morganti's financial and legal relationship with York Place?

21. Does Mr. Morganti hold an undischarged mortgage on York Place and, if so, what are the details?

22. Have there been any charges laid against any officials of CMHC with regard to improper acts relating to the construction of York Place and, if so, what are the details?

**Hon. André Ouellet (Minister of State for Urban Affairs):** I am advised as follows by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation: 1. (a) CMHC received an application from Main Place of Hamilton Limited on March 7, 1972 for a student housing loan under Section 47 of the National Housing Act. (b) CMHC received an application for a loan under Section 15, NHA from York Place (Hamilton) Limited on November 4, 1971. The name of the company has since been changed to York Place of Hamilton Inc.

2. (a) The application from Main Place of Hamilton Limited was rejected. The reason for the refusal is not known, the file having been destroyed since the retention period for an unapproved application had elapsed. (b) A loan was approved to York Place of Hamilton Inc. under Section 15 of the NHA. The arrangements included the standard operating agreement used at that time on projects financed under Section 15.