

OVERSEAS MISSION TO ISRAEL AND THE UNITED KINGDOM

BY THE HONOURABLE MELINDA PAVEY MP,

MINISTER FOR WATER, PROPERTY AND HOUSING

1-11 NOVEMBER 2019

Purpose of travel

The purpose of travel to Israel and the United Kingdom was to engage with key stakeholders and gain comparative knowledge of issues relevant to the recently established Housing and Property Group and Water Portfolio. The Minister also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Israeli Government in relation to water resource management.

Benefits for New South Wales

The mission for the Water Portfolio was to provide the Minister, the Deputy Secretary Water and the CEO Water NSW with valuable insights into how different water utilities have improved performance, worked with stakeholders, and examine valuable water efficiency technologies in other settings, in order to help drive improvements in the NSW water sector.

The Housing and Property Portfolio, the Minister and Group Deputy Secretary, Housing and Property gained insight into housing finance and innovation, sustainable urban renewal and placemaking and examine social and affordable housing projects.

Further information on the benefits and objectives, purpose and outcomes of the trip are detailed in the final report.

Minister	The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP
Portfolio	Water, Property and Housing
Destinations visited	Israel <ul style="list-style-type: none">Tel Aviv, Rishon Lezion, Lod, Yehud, Jerusalem, Emek Hefer United Kingdom <ul style="list-style-type: none">Edinburgh, Glasgow, London
Dates of travel	Friday 1 November – Monday 11 November, 2019
Number of official travel days	11
Number of accompanying a) Minister's staff b) Government officials	a) 1 b) 3
Airfares	a) \$23,453

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Accommodation <i>(includes any meals/incidentals charged to room)</i> a) Minister and Minister's staff b) Government officials	a) \$9,145 b) \$13,718
Other expenses <i>Ground transport, transfers and meals</i> a) Minister and Minister's staff b) Government officials	a) \$8,364 b) \$517
TOTAL estimated travel cost a) Minister and Minister's staff b) Government officials	a) \$40,962 b) \$54,026

This report does not include costs for data roaming, official passports, visas, vaccinations, insurance, translation or printing of business cards.