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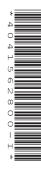
Paper 4 Cost and Management Accounting

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### Source A for Question 1

Beachside is a village with 320 houses, the continued existence of which is threatened by rising sea levels. The residents approached Hiram, a building contractor, to suggest a project for building a sea wall to protect their village.

The cost to Hiram of building the wall would be \$400000 payable at the start of the project. The local government was prepared to make a grant of \$142000 in year 1.

The residents had together decided that each household would pay Hiram a fee of \$200 per annum, for each of the years 1 to 4.

The residents believed that the village would become a more desirable place to live if the wall was in place. They therefore told Hiram that they expected that 80 new houses would be built in **each** of the years 2, 3 and 4, and that the new households would pay the same fee per year as the existing households.

There would be no cash flows after the end of year 4.

## **Source B for Question 2**

QW plc operates a system of standard costing. Standard data for one month in the fixed budget was as follows:

Units produced and sold	1000 units with a selling price of \$190 per unit
Direct material	\$72 000 for material costing \$18 per kg
Direct labour	\$36 000 for 3000 hours
Fixed overheads	charged at \$16 per direct labour hour

As time went by the company found it increasingly difficult to sell its product as customers were switching to a competitor's product.

Trying to maintain demand, the company reduced its selling price. It kept the existing workforce but reduced the hourly rate it paid.

Its actual results for April 2023 were as follows:

Sales revenue	\$123750
Direct material	\$47 250 for 3150 kg
Direct labour	\$26 775 paid at \$10.50 per hour
Fixed overheads	\$46200

In April 2023 the company had only sold 750 units. It prepared a flexible budget statement which showed a **budgeted** profit of \$25500 for April 2023.

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