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The ACT ambulance service has received six new ambulances to replenish its ageing fleet.

The ambulances have cost \$170,000 each and another two will be delivered in the next financial year.

Ambulance service chief officer Ken Poulsen says staff were involved in a lot of the work that has gone into the research and development of the vehicles.

"On the outside there is a high visibility colour scheme that they have incorporated into the cars and a high visibility lighting, which has resulted from a lot of research from our own staff and design work," he said.

"It will certainly improve the safety not only from our officers point of view in responding, but also from the community's point of view because we will be much more visible."

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