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Freedom of Information Publication Coversheet

The following information is provided pursuant to section 28 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016*.

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Information to be published	Status
1. Access application	Published
2. Decision notice	Published
3. Documents and schedule	N/A
4. Additional information identified	No
5. Fees	N/A
6. Processing time (in working days)	8
7. Decision made by Ombudsman	N/A
8. Additional information identified by Ombudsman	N/A
9. Decision made by ACAT	N/A
10. Additional information identified by ACAT	N/A

From: 
To: [CMTEDD FOI](#)
Subject: FOI Application
Date: Wednesday, 29 July 2020 3:08:10 PM

Hello

I'd like to request via the FOI Act:

1. full financial statements of the ACT's revenue in itemised form for the financial years 2017-18 and 2018-19. The financial statements must include all revenue sources (for example, but not limited to, rates, stamp duty, land tax, public transport, infringement notices etc.).
2. The financial statements of the ACT's revenue for the financial years 2017-18 and 2018-19 which must include itemised outgoings, such as, but not limited to, wages, grants, expenses itemised, transport maintenance, roads maintenance etc.
3. Budget for 2018-19 and 2019-20 in itemised form how much money the ACT will spend and for what purpose.

These figures may be provided in an excel spreadsheet.

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Kind regards





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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act), received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) on 29 July 2020, in which you sought access to:

- Full financial statements of the ACT's revenue in itemised form for the financial years 2017-18 and 2018-19. The financial statements must include all revenue sources (for example, but not limited to, rates, stamp duty, land tax, public transport, infringement notices etc.).
- The financial statements of the ACT's revenue for the financial years 2017-18 and 2018-19 which must include itemised outgoings, such as, but not limited to, wages, grants, expenses itemised, transport maintenance, roads maintenance etc.
- Budget for 2018-19 and 2019-20 in itemised form how much money the ACT will spend and for what purpose.

Authority

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General under section 18 of the Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act.

Timeframes

In accordance of section 40 of the Act, CMTEDD was required to provide a decision on your access application by 26 August 2020.

Decision on access

I have decided to refuse to deal with your application under section 43(1)(d) and section 45(a) of the Act because the information you are seeking is publicly available at:

<https://apps.treasury.act.gov.au/budget/previous-act-budgets>.

Section 43(1)(d) states:

- (1) A respondent may refuse to deal with an access application wholly or in part only if—
 - (d) the government information is already available to the applicant (see section 45).

Section 45(a) states:

For section 43(1)(d), government information is already available to the applicant only if the information—

(c) is available as part of a public register established under a territory law.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable for this request because no pages are being released to you.

Online publishing – Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the Act, CMTEDD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. A description of the access application and my decision will be published in the CMTEDD disclosure log after 13 August 2020. Your personal contact details will not be published. You may view CMTEDD disclosure log at

<https://www.cmtedd.act.gov.au/functions/foi/disclosure-log>.

Ombudsman Review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in CMTEDD disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

We recommend using this form [Applying for an Ombudsman Review](#) to ensure you provide all of the required information. Alternatively, you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601
Via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) Review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
Level 4, 1 Moore St
GPO Box 370
Canberra City ACT 2601
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740
<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

Should you have any queries in relation to your request please contact me by telephone on 6207 7754 or email CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to read 'P. Dachs', is positioned above the typed name.

Philip Dachs
Information Officer
Information Access Team
Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

10 August 2020