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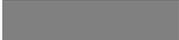
Chief Minister, Treasury and
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Freedom of Information Publication Coversheet

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

FOI Reference: CMTEDDFOI 2020-007

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)	5
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: University Of New South Wales (UNSW) Canberra City Campus proposal
Date: Monday, 20 January 2020 11:32:32 AM

Hello,

I'd like to make a request to access the following document under the Freedom of Information Act 2016 (The ACT):

A digital copy of University of New South Wales' (UNSW) Canberra City Campus proposal, as presented to the ACT government on October 11, 2019.

I ask that the agency waive the fee associated with the application on the grounds that the subject of this request is of special benefit to the public (section 107 (2) (b) of the Act).

Should you request further information, or have any queries about this application, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to hearing from you.





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Chief Minister, Treasury and
Economic Development

Our ref: CMTEDDFOI2020-007



via email: 

Dear 

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACCESS APPLICATION

I refer to your application received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate on 20 January 2020 in which you are seeking access to a digital copy of University of New South Wales' (UNSW) Canberra City Campus proposal, as presented to the ACT government on October 11, 2019 under the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act).

Firstly, I must clarify an administrative error in the date of the proposal you have requested. I am advised that the ACT Government received a proposal in relation to UNSW's Canberra City Campus on 11 October 2018, however recently at Annual Report hearings a briefing contained the incorrect date (being 11 October 2019). Therefore, this decision is based on the UNSW's Canberra City Campus proposal, as presented to the ACT Government on October 11, 2018 as there was no proposal received on 11 October 2019.

Authority

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

Timeframes

In accordance with section 40 of the Act, CMTEDD is required to provide a decision on your access application by 18 February 2020.

Decision on access

Searches were completed for relevant documents and one Cabinet document was identified that falls within the scope of your request.

I have decided to refuse access to the entire Cabinet document as the information within it is contrary to the public interest information under section 1.6 of Schedule 1 of the Act.

In accordance with section 54(2) of the Act a statement containing the reason for my decision is below.

Material considered

In reaching my access decision, I have taken the following into account:

- the Act; and
- the content of the Cabinet document that falls within the scope of your request.

Exemption claimed

Contrary to the public interest information under schedule 1 of the Act

The Cabinet document that has been identified as being within the scope of your request is entirely composed of information that is considered to be contrary to the public interest information under section 1.6 of Schedule 1 of the Act as it is Cabinet information.

In reviewing the document, I note the requirements of schedule 1 section 1.6(2) of the Act which states that the exemption for Cabinet Information does not apply to 'purely factual information' unless the disclosure of the information would involve the disclosure of a deliberation or decision of Cabinet and the fact of the deliberation or decision has not been officially published. In the case of *Parnell & Dreyfus and Attorney-General's Department* [2014] AICmr 71, the Australian Information Commissioner stated that the term 'purely factual material' does not extend to factual material that is an integral part of the deliberative content and purpose of a document, or is embedded in or intertwined with the deliberative content in such a manner that it is impractical to separate it from the other content.

Having reviewed the document, I consider that the purely factual information within the document identified is an integral part of the deliberative content and as stated by the Commissioner, the analysis and views in the [documents] would be robbed of their essential meaning without incorporation of this material. I am satisfied that disclosure of this purely factual information would involve the disclosure of a deliberation or decision of Cabinet.

Charges

Pursuant to *Freedom of Information (Fees) Determination 2017 (No 2)* processing charges are not applicable for this request as no documents 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. Your original access application and my decision in response to your access application will be published in the CMTEDD disclosure log 3 days after the date of my decision. Your personal contact details will not be published. You may view the 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 by the Ombudsman under section 82(1), you may apply to the ACAT for a 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 by email at CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,



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

28 January 2020