

Reference: 17/18316



Dear

Freedom of Information Request – 17/18554 – Section 74 & Section 34 Dickson

I refer to your application under section 14 of the *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (the Act), received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate on 21 June 2017. Due to the machinery of government changes on 1 July 2017, the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD) assumed responsibility for your request, in which you requested documents relating to:

"... documents generated within the Chief Minister's portfolio relating to the decision making, valuations, assessments, deliberations, payments, negotiations, minutes, correspondence, payment advice, logs and other related information (including internal documents) relating to the LDA's acquisition of the properties at Section 72, Dickson.

I also ask for information relating to the sale of properties at Section 34, Dickson".

I apologise for the delay in providing you a response. Your patience and understanding throughout this process has been greatly appreciated.

I am an officer authorised to make a decision in respect of a request for information, under section 22 of the Act.

Decision

The Directorate has identified one hundred and sixty-one documents in its possession that meet the scope of your request, as identified in the schedule <u>attached</u> to this letter.

In accordance with section 21 of the Act, I have decided to release, where possible, non-exempt material as indicated in the schedule as 'partial release' to provide the greatest level of disclosure.

Protected information has been identified in the documents set out in the schedule and the exemption provisions applying under part 4 of the Act are as follows:

Section 35 - executive documents

Section 41 – documents affecting personal privacy

Section 42 - documents subject to legal professional privilege

Section 43 - documents relating to business affairs

It is my determination that the release of the identified protected information would: constitute an unreasonable disclosure of personal information, be reasonably expected to adversely affect business affairs, or may contravene protection of documents privileged from production in legal proceedings.

Schedule detailing decision

The schedule at <u>Attachment A</u> outlines each of my decisions regarding access to the documents identified as relevant to your request and the relevant exemptions applied. Document release is indicated by 'full release', 'partial release' or 'exempt'.

Review rights

My decision is reviewable under section 59 of the Act. If you wish to seek a review you may write to:

The Director-General
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate
GPO Box 158
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Email: EPDFOI@act.gov.au

You have 28 days from the date of this letter to seek a review of my decision or such other period as the Director-General permits.

Under section 54 of the Act, if you are concerned about the processing of your request or related administrative matters, you may complain to the Ombudsman, who may conduct an independent investigation into your complaint. There is no fee for this, and the contact details are as follows:

The Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Email: ombudsman@ombudsman.gov.au

Online FOI Publication Policy

Please be aware that under the ACT Government's "Online FOI Publication Policy" (the Policy), information released to you under this Freedom of Information Application is to be published on the internet.

Personal information or business affairs information will not be made available under the policy. If you think the content of your request would contain such information, please inform our contact officer immediately.

A copy of the policy, with details about what information may be published on the internet, is available online at:

http://www.cmd.act.gov.au/open_government/report/freedom_of_information_online

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact EPSDD's Customer Service Centre on (02) 6207 1923 and ask for the Information Management Team.

Yours sincerely

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