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Freedom of Information Publication Coversheet

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2. Decision notice	Published
3. Documents and schedule	Published
4. Additional information identified	No
5. Fees	Waived
6. Processing time (in working days)	20
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: [REDACTED]
To: [CMTEDD FOI](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FOI Request | Documentation related to the Acton Waterfront Project
Date: Wednesday, 28 September 2022 11:47:47 AM

Good Morning,

RE: FOI REQUEST – CORRESPONDENCE AND BRIEFS REGARDING ACTON WATERFRONT PROJECT

I write to request under the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* a copy of any Ministerial correspondence in relation to CRA's Acton Waterfront Project from January 2014 until present. I would like my request to include emails, Microsoft Teams messages, meeting agendas and summaries and attachments.

I would also like my request to include Ministerial briefs to the relevant Ministers.

I ask that my request be transferred to other entities that may hold relevant information. Duplicate documents may be excluded.

Should you require any further information or clarification about my request, please contact my office on [REDACTED].

Best,





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Our ref: CMTEDD2022-300



Dear 

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 06 October 2022, in which you sought access to information concerning the project delivery of Acton Waterfront Delivery.

Specifically, you sought '*A copy of any ministerial briefing or correspondence relevant to project delivery of Acton Waterfront development by the CRA from January 2014 until present. Ministerial briefing may include emails, Microsoft Teams messages, meeting agendas and summaries and attachments provided to Ministers*'.

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

You originally submitted an access application on 28 September 2022. However, the application was rescoped and agreed with your office on 06 October 2022. In accordance with section 40 of the Act, CMTEDD is required to provide a decision on your access application by 03 November 2022.

Decision on access

Searches were completed for relevant documents and 36 documents were identified that fall within the scope of your request.

I have included as **Attachment A** to this decision the schedule of relevant documents. This provides a description of each document that falls within the scope of your request and the access decision for each of those documents.

I have decided to grant access in full to 10 documents relevant to your request and partial access to six documents. One of these 'partial release' documents is out of scope, except for the information relevant to your access application. This information is being released in full.

I have decided to refuse access to 20 documents as I consider them to be contrary to the public interest information under schedule 1 of the Act.

My access decisions are detailed further in the following statement of reasons, in accordance with section 54(2) of the Act and the documents released to you are provided as **Attachment B** to this letter.

Statement of Reasons

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

- the Act,
- the information that falls within the scope of your request, and
- considerations regarding the disclosure of Cabinet material.

Exemption claimed

My reasons for deciding not to grant access to the identified documents and components of documents are as follows:

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

Twenty documents have been identified as being entirely composed of information that is considered to be contrary to the public interest. Documents 5 and 10 (refer **Attachment A**) include information that is considered to be contrary to the public interest under schedule 1 of the Act.

Documents 17 to 36 (refer **Attachment A**) are identified as being within the scope of your request, however, contain information that was prepared for, or would disclose, the deliberations of Cabinet. This information is considered to be contrary to the public interest under section 1.6 of schedule 1 of the Act and therefore has been withheld from release.

Schedule 1 section 1.6 exempts:

Cabinet information

(1) Information—

(a) that has been submitted, or that a Minister proposes to submit, to Cabinet for its consideration and that was brought into existence for that purpose; or

(b) that is an official record of Cabinet; or

(c) that is a copy of, or part of, or contains an extract from, information mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b); or

(d) the disclosure of which would reveal any deliberation of Cabinet (other than through the official publication of a Cabinet decision).

The primary purpose of the 'cabinet exemption' is to maintain the confidentiality of the cabinet process and to uphold the principle of collective ministerial responsibility. This was discussed in *The Commonwealth v Northern Land Council* [1993] HCA 24; (1993) 176 CLR 604 (21 April 1993). Paragraph 6 of the decision, states that:

... it has never been doubted that it is in the public interest that the deliberations of Cabinet should remain confidential in order that the members of Cabinet may exchange differing views and at the same time maintain the principle of collective responsibility for any decision which may be made.

In reviewing these documents, I consider they contain information which has been developed as part of the Cabinet consideration process (s 1.6(1)(a)) or is directly related to the deliberation and considerations of Cabinet (s 1.6(1)(d)). I am satisfied that release of this information would disclose information which has not been 'officially disclosed'. In making this decision, I note the decision of Deputy President Forgie in *Re Toomer and Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry and Ors* [2003] AATA 1301 who stated: *... deliberations are its thinking processes, be they directed to gathering information, analysing information or discussing strategies. They remain its deliberations whether or not a decision is reached. [Cabinet's] decisions are its conclusions as to the courses of action that it adopts be, they conclusions as to its final strategy on a matter or, its conclusions as to the manner in which a matter is to proceed.*

The pro-disclosure bias of the Act allows for the release of 'purely factual information' that is part of a document that has been submitted or considered by Cabinet – refer schedule 1, s1.6 (2). It is my contention that the Cabinet information identified as relevant to this access application contains information that if considered outside of the Cabinet context could be considered as 'purely factual'. However due to its presence in these documents, this information is understood to be representative of options that may be recommended by a Minister and as such may vary depending on what option is recommended. Similarly, any note of alignment to policies or audience in this context represents the opinion or recommendation of a Minister and can not be considered as 'purely factual' or statement of fact.

Accordingly, I have decided to withhold Documents 17 to 36 from release under Schedule 1 of the Act.

Taking into consideration the remaining information contained in the documents found to be within the scope of your request, I have identified that the following public interest factors are relevant to determine if release of the information contained within these documents is within the 'public interest'.

Factors favouring disclosure in the public interest under schedule 2.1 of the Act:

- (a) *disclosure of the information could reasonably be expected to do any of the following:*
- (iv) *ensure effective oversight of expenditure of public funds.*

Factors favouring nondisclosure in the public interest under schedule 2.2 of the Act:

- (b) *disclosure of the information could reasonably be expected to do any of the following:*

(ii) prejudice the protection of an individual's right to privacy or other rights under the Human Rights Act 2004.

The information to be released will provide the public with further insight into the Acton Waterfront development and the expenditure of public funds on this project. I have placed significant weight on this factor.

I consider that the protection of an individual's right to privacy is a significant factor in deciding access to this information. I have decided that information that is not in the public domain such as mobile phone numbers of ACT government employees and the name and contact details of an employee of a private company are not in the public interest to release. These details have been redacted accordingly, but I note that these redactions are minor in nature and have minimal impact on the information to be released.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable for this request because less than 50 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. Your original access application, my decision and documents released to you in response to your access application will be published in the CMTEDD disclosure log. Your personal contact details will not be published.

You may view CMTEDD disclosure log at <https://www.cmtedd.act.gov.au/functions/foi>

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:

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 black ink, appearing to be the initials 'EH' with a stylized flourish.

Emma Hotham
Information Officer
Information Access Team
Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

3 November 2022



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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST SCHEDULE

WHAT ARE THE PARAMETERS OF THE REQUEST

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Ref No	Page number	Description	Date	Status	Reason for Exemption	Online Release Status
1	1-2	QTB. Auditor-General Report on the Inquiry into the Acton Waterfront Project Procurement - CRA - GTG	12 Sept 2022	Full	n/a	Yes
2	3-4	QTB. Auditor-General Report on Acton Waterfront Procurement - Final Report - Amended	12 Sept 2022	Full	n/a	Yes
3	5	QTB. Auditor-General Report on the Inquiry into the Acton Waterfront Project Procurement - Final Report	22 July 2022	Full	n/a	Yes
4	6	FW: REVIEW FOR MONDAY FW: Acton waterfront paper (CIC)	12 March 2021	Full	n/a	Yes
5	7-13	EMAIL attachment 21-116 Discussion Paper - FOR MO TO SIGN	23 March 2021	Partial	Sch 1 1.6	Yes
6	14	RE: Amended - CM QTB index September 2022 - AG report on Action Waterfront	16 Sept 2021	Full	n/a	Yes
7	15-16	RE: CM QTB index September 2022 - AG report on Action Waterfront	16 Sept 2021	Partial	Sch 2 s2.2 (a)(ii)	Yes
8	17	CMTEDD to CMO - Talking Points - Acton Waterfront Performance Audit	7 Oct 2021	Partial	Sch 2 s2.2 (a)(ii)	Yes
9	18	Talking Points	15 Sept 2021	Full	n/a	Yes
10	19-22	2021-22 Budget: Email trail with CRA seeking clarification on previous Acton initiatives and project costs – to inform Treasury ERC briefing.	June 2021	Partial	Sch 1 1.6	Yes
11	23-25	2021-22 Budget: Email from CRA submitting the wellbeing impact assessment for Acton Waterfront Parkland business case.	30 June 2021	Partial	Sch 2 s2.2 (a)(ii)	Yes
12	26-27	Freedom of Information request Decision / Document Release: West Basin Correspondence.	25 Jan 2018	Full	n/a	Yes
13	28-31	2017-18 Budget: - Budget Day briefing, which includes a dot-point on budget funding related to city to the lake infrastructure.	11 October 2017	Full	n/a	Yes
14	32-34	2015-16 Budget: Treasury briefing to BCC on city to the lake – west basin infrastructure.	6 September 2017	Full	n/a	Yes

15	35-37	2015-16 Budget: Comeback briefing to BCC on city to the lake – west basin infrastructure.	18 July 2017	Full	n/a	Yes
16	38-39	2017-18 Budget: - Budget Day briefing, which includes a dot-point on budget funding related to city to the lake infrastructure.	June 2017	Partial	Out of scope except for single dot point	Yes
17		22-256 Cabinet Brief	10 May 2022	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
18		22-256 Chair Cabinet Brief	10 May 2022	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
19		CMTEDD CM Cabinet Brief 19/05 - 21/274 Light Rail Stage 2A design update – Acton Waterfront and Commonwealth Avenue vehicle access arrangements	19 May 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
20		CMTEDD CM Cabinet Brief 13/4 - 20/620 Acton Waterfront – Future Development Options	19 April 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
21		CMTEDD CM Cabinet Brief 23/3 - 21/116 Acton Waterfront – consideration of future development options	23 March 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
22		EMAIL attachment 21-116 covering brief to Minister - FOR MO TO SIGN	15 March 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
23		Gentleman CHAIR Cabinet Brief 23/3 - 21/116 Acton Waterfront – consideration of future development options	23 March 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
24		2021-22 Budget: Treasury briefing on the business case for the Expenditure Review Committee (ERC).	2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
25		Email attachment: Wellness Impact Assessment	2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
26		2021-22 Budget: Internal email trail seeking clarification of ERC's discussion and consideration, to inform the drafting of the ERC recommendation.	July 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
27		Email trail with CRA discussion presentation of the Acton Waterfront Parkland initiative for presentation in the Budget	October 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
28		2021-22 Cabinet business: Treasury email comments on exposure circulation 20/620 Acton Waterfront – Future Development Options	April 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
29		2021-22 Cabinet business: Treasury email comments on final circulation 20/620 Acton Waterfront – Future Development Options	March 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
30		2021-22 Cabinet business: Treasury email comments on final circulation 21/116 Acton Waterfront – consideration of future development options	February 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
31		Freedom of Information Schedule of Documents – Correspondence from the Commonwealth regarding the West Basin Project	2017	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
32		2017-18 Budget Review: Treasury briefing to BCC on West Basin capital reallocation proposal.	2017	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6 / Out of scope	No
33		2015-16 Budget: Treasury briefing to BCC on city to the lake – west basin infrastructure.	2015	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6 / Out of scope	No

34		2015-16 Budget: Treasury briefing to BCC on city to the lake – west basin infrastructure.	2015	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6 / Out of scope	No
35		2017-18 Budget Review: Treasury briefing to BCC on West Basin capital reallocation proposal.	2017	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6 / Out of scope	No
36		CMTEDD CHAIR Cabinet Brief 19/05 - 21/274 Light Rail Stage 2A design update – Acton Waterfront and Commonwealth Avenue vehicle access arrangements	19 May 2021	Exempt	Sch 1 1.6	No
Total No of Docs						
36						

Portfolio: Chief Minister

Auditor-General Report on the Inquiry into the Acton Waterfront Procurement

Talking points:

- The Auditor General has conducted a performance audit for the procurement and contracting activities for the initial stage of the Acton Waterfront project.
- The final audit report was presented to the Speaker on 16 September 2022 for tabling in the Legislative Assembly and includes a statement from the City Renewal Authority ('the Authority').
- The Government appreciates the valuable role of the performance audit process in providing transparency to the ACT community, and in identifying key learnings and areas for improvements.
- The Government will consider the seven recommendations and will provide a response to the Auditor-General's report in due course.

Key Information

The final audit report includes findings relating to:

- Ineffective management of procurement and contracting activities for the project in the period 2014-2020.
- Poorly designed RFT in 2014, for which the LDA (Land Development Agency) was responsible.
- The Authority did not robustly assess the risks of continuing with the Contract against alternative options, including insufficient consideration of value for money for contract variations.
- Inadequate oversight from the LDA Board and Authority Board.

The final audit report includes recommendations relating to:

- Improving the level of information publicly available in relation to the procurement and contractual arrangements for the project.
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- Documenting value for money drivers, purpose and operation of the drivers (e.g. Target Construction Sum), and source of advice on their use.
- Risk-based assessment of legacy contracts that have been assumed by entities.
- Considering alternative procurement options for project delivery in advance of major variations to contracts, such as retendering, including sufficient analysis provided to decision makers.

Cleared as complete and accurate:	12/09/2022	
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Contact Officer name:	Craig Gillman	Ext: 6207 2478
Lead Directorate:	Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development	

- Review and test a procurement's value for money when contemplating contract variations.
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Background Information

- The Authority is progressing the multi-stage Acton Waterfront project in close consultation with the community and key stakeholders so that this new city precinct reflects Canberrans' vision for their city, connecting the CBD to the lake and providing public access to the lakefront.
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Portfolio: Chief Minister**Auditor-General Report on the Inquiry into the Acton Waterfront Project
Procurement****Talking points:**

- The Auditor General is conducting a Performance Audit of procurement and contracting activities for the Acton Waterfront project.
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Background Information

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Cleared as complete and accurate: 22/07/2022
Cleared for public release by: Chief Executive Officer Ext:6205 1805
Contact Officer name: Craig Gillman Ext:6207 2478
Lead Directorate: Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development

Stuart, Katharine

From: Atkins, Brittany
Sent: Friday, 12 March 2021 3:54 PM
To: EPSDD DLO
Cc: CMCD DLO; Mison, Matt; Cook, Michael
Subject: FW: REVIEW FOR MONDAY FW: acton waterfront paper (CIC)
Attachments: 21-116 Discussion Paper - FOR MO TO SIGN.pdf; 21-116 covering brief to Minister - FOR MO TO SIGN.pdf

Importance: High

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Hi Brodie

Attached signed CRA papers for Monday for uploading

Thanks

Britt

From: Barr, Andrew <Andrew.Barr@act.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 12 March 2021 3:43 PM
To: Atkins, Brittany <Brittany.Atkins@act.gov.au>
Cc: Cook, Michael <Michael.Cook@act.gov.au>
Subject: Re: REVIEW FOR MONDAY FW: acton waterfront paper (CIC)

Sent from my iPad

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Place Plan

- 10) A Community Reference Panel, consisting of New Acton residents, representatives from businesses, community groups, advocacy groups and other interested stakeholders provided input to, and feedback on, the place themes. At a series of workshops, the Panel stressed the importance of planning for future users and how Acton Waterfront's public spaces and buildings should be designed to meet their needs.

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- 11) The Acton Waterfront Place Plan was publicly launched on 11 August 2020. The place plan proposes themes and principles for future development as well as describing four different 'destinations' as part of an integrated public space network. The place plan considers 'how' Acton Waterfront will be used and 'who' will use it. Considered alongside the National Capital Plan, which establishes the guidelines for 'what' can be built 'where', the place plan describes the look and feel of Acton Waterfront and how the area will be experienced by different users. A copy of the Acton Waterfront Place Plan is at Attachment C and can be viewed at this link: https://www.act.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0005/1611446/Acton-Waterfront-Place-Plan.pdf.
- 12) The Place Plan confirms that Acton Waterfront should be both:
- a. a destination for everyday life, supported by a network of small destinations such as parks, cafes, restaurants, supermarkets, and community facilities; and
 - b. a major foreshore recreational destination for the broader community of Canberra and visitors.
- 13) Ultimately, the response to the themes and principles outlined in the Place Plan will permeate through the whole of the Acton Waterfront project, from the architecture, public space design and place management right through to the daily events, activation and programming.

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Stuart, Katharine

From: Kelly, Emma
Sent: Friday, 16 September 2022 12:22 PM
To: CMCD DLO
Subject: RE: Amended - CM QTB index September 2022 - AG report on Action Waterfront

Thanks, will have a look.

From: Hodshon, Gerard <Gerard.Hodshon@act.gov.au> **On Behalf Of** CMCD DLO
Sent: Friday, 16 September 2022 12:21 PM
To: Kelly, Emma <Emma.Kelly@act.gov.au>
Subject: Amended - CM QTB index September 2022 - AG report on Action Waterfront

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Emma, this QTB has been amended – in the for clearance folder.
The AG has provided the report to the Speaker now. Yellow text shows new content.

Apologies in advance.

Regards,
Gez

Stuart, Katharine

From: EPSDD DLO
Sent: Friday, 16 September 2022 11:58 AM
To: CMCD DLO
Cc: Paviour, Mark
Subject: RE: CM QTB index September 2022 - AG report on Action Waterfront
Attachments: 11. Auditor-General Report on Acton Waterfront Procurement - Final Report.docx

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Hi Gez

Can we please replace the previous provided QTB with this one. The AG has provided the report to the Speaker now. Yellow text shows new content.

Thanks

Tash

Anastasia Hartwig | Directorate Liaison Officer

Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate | ACT Government | ACT Legislative Assembly
Office of the Chief Minister | City Renewal Authority
Office of Minister Vassarotti | Environment and Heritage | Sustainable Building and Construction
MS Teams: 6207 0701 | [Sch 2.2\(a\)\(ii\)](#) | Email: epsdddlo@act.gov.au

From: EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDLO@act.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 14 September 2022 3:21 PM
To: CMCD DLO <CMCDDLO@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: CM QTB index September 2022

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Hi Gez

This is the last EPSD CM QTB which the team has added retail electricity prices content in also.

If this can be reviewed by TSY now?

Thanks

Tash

Anastasia Hartwig | Directorate Liaison Officer

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Subject: RE: CM QTB index September 2022

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Hi Gez

First 2 QTBs from us.

Cost of Living QTB still to come.

Thanks

Tash

Anastasia Hartwig | Directorate Liaison Officer

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MS Teams: 6207 0701 | [Sch 2.2\(a\)\(ii\)](#) | Email: epsdddlo@act.gov.au

From: Hilder, Louise <Louise.Hilder@act.gov.au> **On Behalf Of** CMCD DLO

Sent: Tuesday, 6 September 2022 11:17 AM

To: Treasury DLO <TreasuryDLO@act.gov.au>; CMCD DLO <CMCDDLO@act.gov.au>; EPSDD DLO <EPSDDDDLO@act.gov.au>; CMTEDD, Economic Development DLO <EcoDevDLO@act.gov.au>

Subject: CM QTB index September 2022

OFFICIAL: Sensitive

Good morning

Attached is v1 of the September QTB index for the Chief, I have left in tracked for reference.

This has been pared back a bit 😊

Can I have your cleared QTBs by **Tuesday, 13 September 2022** if possible.

NB: The CM will be away during the September sitting but we will provide his QTB pack to the relevant acting ministers.

Many thanks

Louise

Louise Hilder | Directorate Liaison Officer | CMTEDD

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Stuart, Katharine

From: Polglase, David
Sent: Friday, 7 October 2022 4:38 PM
To: Clapham, David
Subject: FW: TPs
Attachments: Talking points .docx

OFFICIAL

Hey David,

Please find my email below and the TPs attached.

Would be interesting to understand whether this is relevant as part of scope though given we don't rep CRA.

Cheers
Dave

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From: Polglase, David
Sent: Thursday, 15 September 2022 4:42 PM
To: Johnston, ClaireV <ClaireV.Johnston@act.gov.au>
Subject: TPs

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Hi Claire

Can discuss.

Dave

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Date: 15 September 2022

SUBJECT: Procurement and Contracting Activities for the Acton Waterfront Project

Talking points

- The ACT Government acknowledges the Auditor General's performance audit report for the procurement and contracting activities for the Acton Waterfront project.
- The Government will review the findings and recommendations and respond in early 2023.

Procurement Reform Program (if required)

- The Procurement Reform Project commenced in February 2022 to identify elements of the Procurement Framework that can be improved.
- The Procurement Reform Program ensures ACT Government procurement continues to be aligned with community values, and is conducted with transparency, fairness and rigour and pursues value for money.

Action Officer: David Polglase
Cleared By:

Stuart, Katharine

From: Hatton, Scott
Sent: Thursday, 1 July 2021 9:44 AM
To: Woods, Rowena
Cc: Putt, David; Gillman, Craig; Callaghan, Thomas
Subject: RE: Acton Waterfront Precinct - Total Budget Provided

OFFICIAL

Hi Rowena

Thanks! I confirmed the same numbers in Norm's report and updated the table to match.

Cheers
Scott

From: Woods, Rowena <Rowena.Woods@act.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 30 June 2021 10:17 AM
To: Hatton, Scott <Scott.Hatton@act.gov.au>
Cc: Putt, David <David.Putt@act.gov.au>; Gillman, Craig <Craig.Gillman@act.gov.au>; Callaghan, Thomas <Thomas.Callaghan@act.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Acton Waterfront Precinct - Total Budget Provided

OFFICIAL

Hi Scott

I've updated the table with our own internally funded expenditure and split out the \$1.45m reallocation of funding so that it now shown in 2018-19.

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System Initiative Code : 1000051
 Initiative Title : Urban Renewal Program – C

BALANCE SHEET	2017-2018 ESTIMATED OUTCOME \$'000	AN
– BAL-SHEET	-	
– BS-NA - NET ASSETS	13,598	
– BS-TA - TOTAL ASSETS	13,598	
– 200000 - Non-Financial Assets	13,598	
– NFA-LAFA - Land and other fixed Assets	13,598	
– 206000 - Capital Works-in-Progress	13,598	
– 206200 - Capital Work in Progress - Non Current	13,598	
206201 - Capital Work in Progress - NC	13,598	
– 400000 - Net Worth	13,598	
– 402000 - Accumulated Funds	13,598	
402001 - Accumulated Funds - Equity	-	
402003 - Capital Injections	7,500	
402007 - Increase in Assets from Admin Restructuring	6,098	

CASH FLOW	2017-2018 ESTIMATED OUTCOME \$'000	AN
Cash at the Beginning of the Period	-	
– CF-MVT - Cash Flow Movement	-	
– NC-INFA - Cash flows from Investments in non-financial assets	(7,500)	
– CP-INFA - Payments from Investments in non-financial assets	7,500	
– P31000 - Purchases of non-financial assets	7,500	
P31002 - Capital Works - Payment	7,500	
– NC-IFAPP - Net cash flows from investments in financial assets for policy purposes	7,500	

Happy to discuss further and if need be engage Norman’s area.

Regards

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Sent: Tuesday, 29 June 2021 7:01 PM
To: Woods, Rowena <Rowena.Woods@act.gov.au>
Cc: Putt, David <David.Putt@act.gov.au>; Gillman, Craig <Craig.Gillman@act.gov.au>; Callaghan, Thomas <Thomas.Callaghan@act.gov.au>
Subject: Acton Waterfront Precinct - Total Budget Provided

OFFICIAL

Hi Rowena

I've done some digging and put together the below table based on past budget publications. The total is \$49.156 million, is this consistent with your understanding?

Also, if you think it's worthwhile, I'd like to include the non-tangible costs CRA have incurred to bring the precinct to where it is now – given the timing, a well estimated figure is fine.

Henry Rolland and City to the Lake	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
City to the Lake – West Basin Public Waterfront (Forward Design)	3,470				
Urban Renewal Program — City to the Lake — West Basin infrastructure		6,633	3,465		
Urban Renewal Program — City to the Lake — West Basin infrastructure			3500		
Building a better city – City Renewal Authority – City to the lake				7,500	15,000
Building a better city – City Renewal Authority – City to the lake					(1,450)
CRA non-tangible					23,000

Cheers
Scott

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Stuart, Katharine

From: Eiszle, Dennis
Sent: Wednesday, 30 June 2021 10:41 AM
To: Hatton, Scott
Cc: Gillman, Craig; Woods, Rowena; Cohen, Ben
Subject: FW: Acton - Wellbeing Impact Assessment
Attachments: Budget Memo 2021-07 - Attachment C - Wellbeing Impact Assessment 17 May 2021.docx

OFFICIAL

Dear Scott

The BC has referred to the Wellbeing Impact Assessment (attached).
This does not seem to have been included in the attachments issued to Treasury – apologies.
Trusting that this is satisfactory – please contact me direct if you require any further information.

Cheers

Dennis Eiszle
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From: Cohen, Ben <Ben.Cohen@act.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 30 June 2021 10:32 AM
To: Eiszle, Dennis <Dennis.Eiszle@act.gov.au>

Cc: Woods, Rowena <Rowena.Woods@act.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Acton - Wellbeing Impact Assessment

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Looking at the recent submission by Deloitte they didn't include it in their submissions.

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Subject: Acton - Wellbeing Impact Assessment

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Please find attached updated Wellbeing Impact Assessment.

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Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

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To: Chief Minister

Tracking No.: CMTEDD2018/289

CC Head of Service

From: A/g Executive Director, Finance and Budget

Date 25 January 2018

Subject: Freedom of Information Request Decision/Document Release: West Basin Correspondence

Critical Date: N/A

Critical Reason: Statutory timeframes apply to the provision of the FOI decision to the applicant. This brief is provided immediately following release.

Purpose

To inform you of my decision made under section 22 of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 1989 (the Act) regarding a request for information from an MLA.

Recommendations

That you:

- 1. note the response to this FOI application.

Noted / Please Discuss

Andrew Barr MLA Andrew Barr 29/1/18

Minister's Office Feedback

Background

- 1. CMTEDD received a Freedom of Information (FOI) request from Mr Coe on 8 December 2017. The request sought access to documents held by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate concerning "correspondence from the

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Commonwealth regarding the West Basin project.”

Issues

2. I have deliberated on all the relevant documents identified and have decided to exempt all documents under section 34 of the FOI Act 1989 as it may affect the relationship between the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate and the Commonwealth Government.
3. A copy of my decision letter (**Attachment A**), and accompanying schedule (**Attachment B**), is attached.
4. Although the new Freedom of Information Act came into effect on 1 January 2018, this FOI request was requested in 2017 under the previous FOI Act arrangements and is processed under those guidelines.

Financial Implications

5. Nil.

Consultation

Internal

6. Nil.

Cross Directorate

7. Nil.

External

8. Consultation took place with the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development and Department of Finance.

Benefits/Sensitivities

9. Mr Coe may make a further FOI request under the new FOI Act arrangements.

Media Implications

10. Nil.

Signatory Name: Sam Engele Phone: 50230
Action Officer: Edwin Crump Phone: 50237

Attachments

Attachment	Title
Attachment A	Decision Letter
Attachment B	Schedule

CHIEF MINISTER QUESTION TIME BRIEF

Complete and accurate as at: 11 October 2017

ISSUE: WEST BASIN AND WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT

Talking Points

- The West Basin waterfront will be a vibrant destination, where people meet, celebrate and enjoy one of Canberra's greatest assets, Lake Burley Griffin.
- Construction of the first stage of the West Basin waterfront, 150 metres of boardwalk from Commonwealth Avenue Bridge, was completed in June 2017.
- The boardwalk will be opened to the public following completion of the adjoining park (Point Park).
- Construction of the adjoining park has commenced and is due to be completed by early 2018. A public consultation process has commenced to officially name the park.
 - Barrine Drive west of Commonwealth Avenue Bridge has been closed to allow construction of the park to proceed. Pedestrians and cyclists have been redirected to Corkhill Street.
 - Barrine Drive has reopened for the duration of Floriade to allow access to car parking in West Basin. Following Floriade it will be closed again until the park is opened to the public in early 2018, at which point it will operate as a shareway.
- The 2017-18 Budget provides the City Renewal Authority \$37.738 million over three years from 2017-18 for construction of the second stage (Works Package 2A) of the West Basin waterfront (comprising capital of \$37.388 million and expenses of \$0.35 million).
- This will include lake bed reclamation and construction of the remaining 500 metres of new lake wall and boardwalk, which are critical to facilitating future land release in West Basin.
 - Associated infrastructure works will include the demolition of the ferry wharf and the former boat and bike hire buildings.
- Works were expected to commence in early 2018, subject to works approval from the National Capital Authority (NCA), with completion in December 2019. Commencement of works will be delayed however, as the Commonwealth is seeking compensation in relation to the reclamation of the lake bed, and agreement between the Commonwealth and the Territory has not been reached, although discussions are ongoing.

- Future stages of any waterfront development are subject to NCA Works Approval and the availability of funding.
- The City Renewal Authority is asking the community to choose the name of the park from four short listed historic figures. The four nominated names, chosen by the place names committee, are Sylvia Crowe Park, John Gale Park, Henry Rolland Park and John McLoughlin Park. People can vote for their preferred name via the YourSay website. The online poll opened on 23 September 2017 and is due to close on 27 October 2017.

Key Points

- The boardwalk is 8.1 metres wide and constructed of precast concrete, sourced from South Australia. It sits just above the water level.
 - The boardwalk construction materials were subject to an extensive design development and refinement process. They were also discussed extensively as part of the NCA's Design Review Panel process in 2014; included in designs released by the Land Development Agency for public comment in July 2015; and detailed clearly during public consultation as part of the NCA's works approval process in September 2015.
 - Precast concrete was determined to be a more robust and durable material for the boardwalk than timber, and provides a more uniform surface for improved accessibility.
 - Timber features in the Griffin Marker light deck, kayak cove and round pontoon structures that extend into the lake.
- Works Package 2A construction requires the Territory to negotiate with the Commonwealth to acquire a section of the lake bed for land reclamation. The Territory is progressing these negotiations as a matter of priority. It is expected though, that this matter will not be resolved in order to allow works to commence when planned, in early-2018. A mid-year budget review brief will seek to roll Stage 2A funding over to 2018-19, to provide further time for negotiations with the Commonwealth to progress.
- Subject to funding, Works Package 3A (promenade and access road) will require further discussions with the NCA before Works Approval can be granted.
- The West Basin waterfront when completed will constitute approximately 600 metres of generously scaled waterfront promenade, including a wide boardwalk; segregated cycle way; series of parks, plazas, playground and water play elements; and restaurant/cafe pavilions.
- Stickers saying 'Park not apartments @ West Basin' were recently placed on the Allara Street pedestrian bridge to Commonwealth Park. It is believed the stickers were placed by supporters of the Lake Burley Griffin Guardians. The National Capital Authority is aware of the stickers.

Point park naming

- With regard to the official naming of Point Park, the ACT Place Names Committee considered candidates that had a significant impact on the region, specifically the area the park is located in. The committee considered an Indigenous name in its original shortlist but was unable to find enough historical evidence to verify the

candidate. The committee has Indigenous members and is in regular contact with the local Indigenous community.

- The requirement to register to vote in the poll was removed briefly to encourage more people to vote. Even though people didn't need to register, the system is designed to only enable one vote from each IP address. However, people worked out that they could vote multiple times if they used a private browser and reloaded the page. As a result, there were four or five IP addresses which recorded multiple votes (some up to 40 per IP address), which skewed the results and was not in keeping with the 'one person one vote' principle. The requirement to register was reinstated and the results recalculated to include one vote from unregistered IP addresses. All registered votes are still counted.

Background Information

- A Works Approval application for the construction of the entire West Basin Waterfront was lodged with the NCA in September 2015.
- In May 2016 the NCA granted conditional Works Approval for Point Park, the first 150 metres of boardwalk and signalised intersections on Commonwealth Avenue (Works Package 1A). Works Approval for an amended Point Park design, incorporating a shared zone to replace Barrine Drive, was granted in May 2017 (Works Package 1B).
- Construction of the signalised intersections at the junction of Commonwealth Avenue and Albert and Corkhill Streets has been deferred, as the intersections will need to be redesigned to accommodate light rail. (This project will be subject to additional funding).
- Point Park will be situated between Menzies Walk at Commonwealth Avenue Bridge and Albert Street in the north. It will include public amenities such as fitness equipment, barbeques and landscape enhancements. The project will involve Barrine Drive transitioning to a shared zone until the creation of new intersections on Commonwealth Avenue, at which time Barrine Drive will be closed.
- The delivery of Stage 2A works requires the reclamation of an area of the lakebed comprising 28,600 square metres which will require approximately 70,000m³ of fill. Accordingly, the Commonwealth and the Territory are required to establish an agreement that will allow the Territory to acquire this land and build the proposed public infrastructure on it. A similar agreement was negotiated in respect of Kingston Foreshore. The Commonwealth and Territory are progressing these negotiations in good faith, however it is unlikely agreement will be reached in time to allow the commencement of construction, scheduled for early 2018.
- The West Basin public waterfront work will provide a valuable community asset and significantly increase the value of the land between the waterfront and City Hill, enhancing the return to government from future land sales. This will provide for the development of a high quality public waterfront, and create additional area of developable land.
- The area in the West Basin precinct that has been identified for:
 - Public use – is estimated at approximately 4.3 hectares.
 - Residential use – is estimated at approximately 6.7 hectares, this includes a road network.
 - Commercial use – is still to be determined.

Cleared as complete and accurate as at 11 October 2017

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CHIEF MINISTER QUESTION TIME BRIEF

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- The delivery of Stage 2A works requires the reclamation of an area of the lakebed comprising 28,600 square metres which will require approximately 70,000m³ of fill. Accordingly, the Commonwealth and the Territory are required to establish an agreement that will allow the Territory to acquire this land and build the proposed public infrastructure on it. A similar agreement was negotiated in respect of Kingston Foreshore. The Commonwealth and Territory are progressing these negotiations in good faith, with the

expectation agreement will be reached prior to the commencement of construction, scheduled for early 2018.

- The West Basin public waterfront work will provide a valuable community asset and significantly increase the value of the land between the waterfront and City Hill, enhancing the return to government from future land sales. This will provide for the development of a high quality public waterfront, and create additional area of developable land.
- The total number of square metres in the West Basin precinct that has been identified for:
 - Public use – is estimated at approximately 4.3 hectares.
 - Residential use – is estimated at approximately 6.7 hectares, this includes a road network.
 - Commercial use – is still to be determined.

Cleared as complete and accurate as at 18 July 2017

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- The Government will allocate \$38 million over four years to the CRA to commence the second stage of infrastructure works at West Basin for the City to the Lake project. These works will include the completion of the lake wall, two jetties, boardwalk, land reclamation and associated infrastructure works.

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