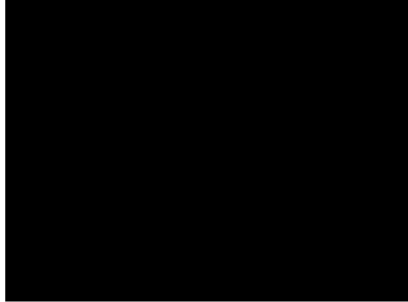




ACT
Government

Chief Minister, Treasury and
Economic Development

Our ref: CMTEDD 16/16-17



Decision on Freedom of Information Request – Lights at Manuka Oval

I am writing in relation to your request for documents made under the ACT *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (the Act) and received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) on 12 September 2016.

I wish to apologise for the time it has taken to respond to your request and that you were not advised of the delay. I appreciate your patience with this matter.

Your request has been processed in accordance with the updated scope you provided to the Directorate on 6 October 2016 and confirmed on 7 October 2016. You requested “... material in relation to the decision to install lights at Manuka Oval, specifically:

- *ministerial advice and submissions (including emails, meeting records) supporting the decision to use call-in powers (including to the Chief Minister at the time, Katy Gallagher)*
- *material relating to community consultation*
- *material relating to consultation with GWS and the AFL (including meeting records, briefing and emails)*
- *material relating to consultation with Cricket Australia and any International Cricket bodies (including meeting records, briefing and emails)*

Your request was partially transferred to the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate for a separate response in relation to any relevant documents they may hold.

Decision Maker

I am authorised under section 22 of the Act to make decisions on access to documents and liability for charges.

Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development

Charges

I have decided, under section 29 of the Act, not to impose processing charges for this request.

Identification of Documents

Officers of CMTEDD have searched electronic and paper records for documents that may relate to your request. The identified documents are listed on the attached schedule.

I wish to note that as part of the review and update of the Manuka Oval 2009-10 draft Master Plan, the views of sporting organisations including Cricket Australia, the AFL and local sporting groups were sought. A summary of this engagement is contained in the Manuka Oval Redevelopment – Summary Design Report. This document was previously released under FOI and can be accessed at the following link:

http://www.cmd.act.gov.au/open_government/foi/cmtedd/manuka-oval,-grocon-and-the-gws-giants-since-1-january-2015

The Directorate does not hold documents about consultation with sporting organisations in relation to the decision to install lights at Manuka Oval.

Decision on Access

I have decided to fully release the majority of documents to you and partially release the remainder. My reasons for not providing access to components of some documents are detailed in the following statement of reasons and in the attached schedule.

Exemption claimed

Section 41 - Documents Affecting Personal Privacy

Refers to folios: 10-12, 27 and 37-49.

Section 41 of the Act provides:

- (1) *A document is an exempt document if its disclosure under this Act would involve the unreasonable disclosure of personal information about any person (including a deceased person).*

I have decided to exempt from release, under section 41 (1) of the Act, components of documents that contain names and other personal information concerning individuals who provided responses to the consultation process. I consider that release of this information is likely to identify these individuals and would be an unreasonable disclosure of personal information and a breach of privacy.

In making my decision to exempt this information, I have considered that removal of this personal information does not materially affect the remaining content.

Your Right of Review

Internal Review

Under section 59 (1) of the Act, you may request a review of my decision. You have 28 days after receiving notice of my decision to ask for a review, or a further period as allowed by the Director-General.

Your request should be addressed to:

Director-General
Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate
GPO Box 158
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Complaints to the Ombudsman

Under section 54 of the Act, you may complain to the Ombudsman about administrative matters relating to the processing of your Freedom of Information request. There is no fee for making a complaint. The Ombudsman will conduct an independent investigation into your complaint.

You can contact the Ombudsman either by telephone on 1300 362 072 or in writing to:

The Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Online FOI Policy

I have assessed your request for information under the ACT Government's Online Freedom of Information Publication Policy and have determined that my decision on your request and the documents released to you will be published online.

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/data/assets/pdf_file/0016/250333/FOI_Web_Release_Policy_-_Final.pdf

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact me on (02) 6207 2294.

Yours sincerely



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