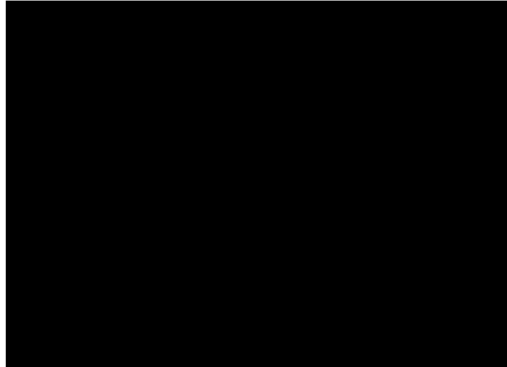




**ACT**  
Government

Chief Minister, Treasury and  
Economic Development

Our ref: CMTEDD2017/3578



## Freedom of Information Request

I refer to your access request under section 14 of the ACT *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (the Act), received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) on 29 August 2017.

In your request you sought:

*"...documents, communication and information relating to a Poll/Survey conducted on behalf of the ACT Government by Orima Research. Specifically, I am seeking documents, communication and information relating to the second survey conducted in the first half of 2017, on greyhound racing in the ACT and government funding of the greyhound industry.*

*I would like the text of the question asked on this matter, the results of the survey on this question and issue, and all exchanges that led to the formation of the question, and its framing, as well as the final exchanges where information was provided to the Government and Ministers.*

*The Orima Research Contract Number is ACTGOVRFQ-1-572, and is for Shared Services 2016 Customer Satisfaction Survey, with the Chief Minister Treasury and Economic Development Directorate. The Contract was entered into on 22 August 2016, and expires 21 August 2017."*

In your request you clarified that you did not wish to access "... any information relating to other survey results or communications, unless it refers to greyhound racing and/or the greyhound racing industry."

## Decision Maker

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

## Charges

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

## Identification of documents and decision on access

Documents identified as relevant to your request are listed on the attached schedule and included in the attached document package.

I have deliberated on the identified documents and decided to partially release some documents and fully exempt the remainder from release. My decision to exempt documents and components of documents from release is detailed further below and redactions are identified in the attached schedule.

I note that some components of partially relevant documents are unrelated to greyhound racing or involve discussion of the general administration of the survey (such as launch dates and planning of survey cycles). I consider this material to be beyond the scope of your request and have decided to exclude it from release.

## Exemptions claimed

### Executive documents

Section 35 of the Act provides:

- (1) *A document is an exempt document if it is—*
  - (a) *a document that has been submitted to the Executive for its consideration or is proposed by a Minister to be so submitted, being a document that was brought into existence for the purpose of submission for consideration by the Executive; or*
  - (b) *an official record of the Executive; or*
  - (c) *a document that is a copy of, or of a part of, or contains an extract from, a document referred to in paragraph (a) or (b); or*
  - (d) *a document the disclosure of which would involve the disclosure of any deliberation or decision of the Executive, other than a document by which a decision of the Executive was officially published.*
- (2) *This section does not apply to a document (a **relevant document**)—*
  - (a) *that is referred to in subsection (1) (a); or*
  - (b) *that is referred to in subsection (1) (b) or (c) and is a copy of, or of part of, or contains an extract from, a document that is referred to in subsection (1) (a);*
  - (c) *to the extent that the relevant document contains purely factual material unless—*
  - (d) *the disclosure under this Act of that document would involve the disclosure of any deliberation or decision of the Executive; and*
  - (e) *the fact of that deliberation or decision has not been officially published.*
- (3) *A reference in this section to the Executive includes a reference to a committee of the Executive.*

I have decided to exempt from release, under sections 35(1)(a) and 35(1)(d), documents that were created for the purpose of informing Cabinet deliberations and documents that were submitted to Cabinet for consideration. I do not consider it possible to release purely factual information contained in these documents without disclosing confidential Cabinet deliberations.

### Documents affecting personal privacy

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, the names and contact details of Orima Research staff. I consider that release would be an unreasonable disclosure of personal information. I note that removal of this information does not affect comprehension of 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  
c/o Freedom of Information Co-ordinator  
Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate  
GPO Box 158  
CANBERRA ACT 2601  
Via email: [CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au](mailto:CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au)

#### 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 FOI 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 FOI Publication Policy and have determined that my decision on your request will be published online. Personal information or business information will not be made available under this policy. 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](http://www.cmd.act.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0016/250333/FOI_Web_Release_Policy_-_Final.pdf)

If you would like to discuss this matter further please contact me on (02) 6205 0035.

Yours sincerely



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