Our Reference: 16-0097





## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your application received by Access Canberra on 6 October 2016 in which you sought access, under the *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (the Act), to documents relating to historical complaints in relation to noise, waste, odour, animal welfare, easements, unapproved structures and/or other business operations) that have been made about **Section 2016** Downer ACT and what actions were taken by the ACT Government agencies or ACT Ministers to respond to the complaints.

I am the officer authorised under section 22 of the Act to make a decision in relation to your request.

Although the Act facilitates the objective of public access to documents, access is subject to a number of exemption provisions as set out by the Act. Documents in your request are subject to exemptions as set out by:

Section 41(1) of the Act provides that information may be exempt from release if disclosure under the Act would unreasonably release personal information. In this case personal information withheld includes names, addresses and contact information.

I have decided that the documents are to be partially released in accordance with the above mentioned exemption provisions. Please see the attached schedule detailing what will be released to you. Please note that the documents released to you on 9 September 2016 have not been included in this request.

I have also assessed your request for information under the ACT Government's Online Freedom of Information Publication Policy and have determined that the documents relevant to your request, not including your original application **will** be published online. For more information about the ACT Government's Online Freedom of Information Publication Policy, visit the link below.

http://www.cmd.act.gov.au/open\_government/report/freedom\_of\_information\_online

You have the right to seek a review of the outcome under section 59 of the Act within 28 days from the date of this letter, or such other period as the Director-General permits. This right of review extends to a review of the adequacy of the search for documents undertaken by Access Canberra. Requests for review should be submitted to the following address:

The Director-General Chief Minister, Treasury, and Economic Development Directorate C/- Freedom of Information Officer GPO Box 158 CANBERRA ACT 2601

You also have the right to contact the Ombudsman regarding the processing of your request and you may contact the Ombudsman's Office at the following address:

The Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601

If you have any queries concerning Access Canberra's processing of your request, or would like further information, please contact the FOI Coordinator, Matt Leonard on 6207 3417.

Yours sincerely



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