

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COVERSHEET

The following information is provided pursuant to section 28 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016*.

FOI reference: 23-014

Information to be published	Status	
1. Access application	Published	
2. Decision notice	Published	
3. Schedule	Published	
4. Documents	Published	
5. Additional information identified	Not Applicable	
6. Fees	Not Applicable	
7. Processing time (in working days)	15 days	
8. Decision made by Ombudsman	Not applicable	
9. Additional information identified by Ombudsman	Not applicable	
10. Decision made by ACAT	Not applicable	

11. Additional information identified by ACAT

Not applicable



Freedom of Information - Access Application to Transport Canberra and City Services - Submission confirmation

Your submission has been successful. Please keep a copy of this receipt for your records. Date and time Reference code 28 Feb 2023 11:39:19 AM X8TVYHBV GPO Box 158 Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) Phone: 02 6207 2987 Canberra ACT 2601 Email: TCCS.FOI@act.gov.au Applicant details Title Given name Family name Preferred name Preferred method of contact Phone Post Contact phone number Contact email address **Contact postal address** Address line 2 Suburb Postcode State Preferred method to receive information * Email Post Same as contact email address Information request Who are you making the request on behalf of? Myself What type of information are you requesting access to? * Other information

What information are you requesting access to under the Act? *

As part of the Jobs for Canberrans Fund, announced in 2020, an audit occurred of bike paths and footpaths in Canberra. I am seeking access to an electronic copy of the complete audit please.

Attach a description or additional details about the information you are requesting access to (optional)

to (optional)
Do you have a similar or identical request currently under review by another ACT Government Directorate? Yes No
Are you enquiring as
A member of the public
Do you wish to apply for a waiver of fees associated with processing your application?
Yes No
Provide a statement about how the release of information is in the public interest (optional)
It is in the public interest to better understand the state of the network of bike paths and footpaths in Canberra, and the status of recommendations to improve that network.
Would you like to provide any additional information? (optional)

Attach additional documents to support your application (optional)







Freedom of Information Request - Reference 23-014

I refer to your application for access to government information received by Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) on 28 February 2023. It is my understanding that you are seeking access to the following government information:

"As part of the Jobs for Canberrans Fund, announced in 2020, an audit occurred of bike paths and footpaths in Canberra. I am seeking access to an electronic copy of the complete audit please"

On 9 March 2023 you confirmed the scope of your request to exclude photographs.

Timeframes

TCCS is required to decide on your application by 29 March 2023.

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 FOI Act.

Decision on access

In accordance with the FOI Act, a search of TCCS records has been completed and 2 records, have been identified as relevant to your application.

Upon reviewing the information within the records and applying the public interest test under section 17 of the FOI Act, I have decided to provide you with full disclosure of this record.

The records identified as relevant to your application are listed in the schedule enclosed at <u>Attachment A.</u> A copy of the records with is enclosed at <u>Attachments B and Ba.</u>

Statement of Reasons

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

- The FOI Act; and
- The Human Rights Act 2016.

In making my decision on disclosing the relevant government information, I must identify all relevant factors in schedule 1 and 2 of the FOI Act and determine, on balance, where the public interest lies.

Schedule 1:

• No relevant sections identified.

Schedule 2:

Factors favouring disclosure in the public interest (Section 2.1)

- Section 2.1(a)(i) promote open discussion of public affairs and enhance the government's accountability; and
- Section 2.1(a)(viii) reveal the reason for a government decision and any background or contextual information that informed the decision.

Factors favouring non-disclosure (Section 2.2)

No relevant sections identified.

In accordance with the FOI Act, I find that the disclosure of the information within this record is, on balance, in the public interest.

A copy of the relevant information is enclosed at Attachment B.

Charges

In accordance with <u>Freedom of Information (Fees) Determination 2018</u>, a fee of \$0.35 per page of information disclosed, except for the first 50 pages, may be applied to an access application. As the total number of pages in your application marginally exceeds the feefree threshold, I have decided not to apply a fee to your application.

Online publishing - disclosure log

Under section 28 of the Act, TCCS maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. Your original access application, my decision and documents will be published in the TCCS disclosure log between 3 – 10 business days from the date of this decision. Your personal contact details will not be published. You may view the TCCS' disclosure log here.

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 an Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in TCCS' disclosure log or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision, you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

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ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82 on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision.

Further information may be obtained from ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal Level 4, 1 Moore Street GPO Box 370 CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601

Telephone: (02) 6207 1740

www.acat.act.gov.au

If you have any queries concerning the directorate's processing of your request, or would like further information, please contact the TCCS FOI team on (02) 6207 2987 or email to tccs.foi@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Cherie Hughes Information Officer

22 March 2023

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST SCHEDULE

Please be aware that under the *Freedom of Information Act 2016*, some of the information provided to you will be released to the public through the ACT Government's Open Access Scheme. The Open Access release status column of the table below indicates what documents are intended for release online through open access.

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

Information about what is published on open access is available online at: https://www.tccs.act.gov.au/about-us/freedom_of_information/disclosure-log

	File number			WHAT ARE THE PARAMETERS OF THE REQUEST				
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Ref No	Page	Description		Date	Status	Reason for non-release or deferral	Open Access release status	
01	N/A	Community P Export	ath Audit	2021	Full Access	N/A	To be published on the TCCS	
02	N/A	Community P Export	ath Defects	2021	Full Access	N/A	Disclosure log, with the applicant's personal	

information removed.