

# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COVERSHEET

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

FOI reference: 23-029

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)	14 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



17 March 2023

Chief Minister, Treasury & Economic Development Directorate GPO Box 158 CANBERRA ACT 2601

By email only: CMTEDDfoi@act.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam

We request that you provide us with all documents relating to the street for the 2 years' prior to our client's injury to present including:

- 1. All records relating to street lighting;
- 2. All records relating to the condition of the road;
- 3. All records relating to complaints about the street lighting or road surface, if any; and
- 4. All records relating to maintenance or other works performed in the street, such as road repairs and installation of street lighting.

This request is made pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1989*.







# Freedom of Information Request - Reference 23-029

I refer to your application for access to government information received by Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) on 23 March 2023. It is my understanding that you are seeking access to the following government information:



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#### Timeframes

TCCS is required to decide on your application by 24 April 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 C.</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 <u>Attachment B and C</u>.

#### 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 information, and information relating to your client, will not be published. You may view the TCCS' disclosure log <u>here</u>.

#### **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.

#### OFFICIAL

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: <u>actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au</u>

#### 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 Ma

Information Officer

13 April 2023