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Our ref: CED FOI 26-074

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information – Notice of Decision

I refer to your application under section 30 of the Freedom of Information Act 2016 (the FOI Act), received by the City and Environment Directorate (CED) on 12 March 2026. Your application was received by partial transfer from the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD); a separate decision on your application in relation to information held in CMTEDD has been provided to you. It is my understanding you are seeking access to the following information:

- *How many ACTPS personnel are currently not effective in the workplace. For clarity, the precise number of personnel who do not attend their workplace but are not on an entitled period of leave (i.e. annual leave). This does not include those personnel who work from home. Can the numbers and classifications be provided for: < 6 months 6-12 months > 12 months.*

I thank you for clarifying the scope of your application as follows:

- *The actual number of people who are stood down as at 28 February 2026.*

Timeframes

In accordance with section 40 of the FOI Act, CED is required to provide a decision on your access application within 30 working days. Therefore, a decision is due on or by 29 April 2026. In accordance with section 41 of the FOI Act, a request for further time was made to you on 29 April 2026. As this request has not been refused, we have understood the request to be agreed. The current due date is **6 May 2026**.

Authority

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General of CED under section 18 of the FOI Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the FOI Act.

Decision on access

Searches of records held by CED have not identified any information within the scope of your application.

The CED Employee Relations team has advised me that information regarding personnel who are stood down is not reported to payroll as this would be a breach of personnel's privacy. As on 28 February 2026, this information was not held or used for any reporting

metric. I am satisfied that reasonable searches to identify information within scope of your application have been undertaken as required under section 34 of the FOI Act and the information you have requested is not held by CED.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable for this application as no records are being released to you.

Online publishing – Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the FOI Act, CED maintains a disclosure log, which is a public record of access applications and decisions. Your original access application and my decision will be published on the CED disclosure log. Your personal contact details will not be published.

ACT Ombudsman Review

My decision on your access application is a reviewable decision as identified in schedule 3 of the FOI Act. You have the right to seek ACT Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the FOI Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is provided to you, or a longer period allowed by the ACT Ombudsman. If you wish to request a review of my decision, you may write to the ACT Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601
Via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) Review

Under section 84 of the FOI Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
GPO Box 370
Canberra City ACT 2601
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740
<https://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

Please contact the CED Information Access team if you have any queries in relation to your application via 6207 2987 or CEDFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Jaime Elton
Information Officer
City and Environment Directorate
6 May 2026