



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COVERSHEET

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

FOI reference: 24-012

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)	30 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
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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

02 Feb 2024 10:50:58 AM

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Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS)

GPO Box 158
Canberra ACT 2601

Phone: 02 6207 2987
Email: TCCS.FOI@act.gov.au

Applicant details

Title

Given name

Family name

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Preferred name

[REDACTED]

Preferred method of contact

Phone Email Post

Contact phone number

Contact email address

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[REDACTED]

Address line 2

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Suburb

State

Postcode

CITY

ACT

2601

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? *

All traffic studies assessments reports concerning the following roads in the ACT from 2019 to present:

- a) Southern Cross Drive
- b) Beaufort Crescent, Holt
- c) Pickworth Street, Holt

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

Do you have a similar or identical request currently under review by another ACT Government Directorate?

Yes No

Are you enquiring as

[Redacted]

Provide a statement about how the release of information is in the public interest (optional)

[Empty text box]

Would you like to provide any additional information? (optional)

[Empty text box]

Attach additional documents to support your application (optional)



Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Request - Reference 24-012

I refer to your application for access to government information received by Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) on 2 February 2024. It is my understanding that you are seeking access to the following government information:

All traffic studies assessments reports concerning the following roads in the ACT from 2019 to present:

- a) Southern Cross Drive*
- b) Beaurepaire Crescent, Holt*
- c) Pickworth Street, Holt*

Timeframes

A decision is due on your access application by 18 March 2024.

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 records relevant to your request have been identified.

Some of the information falling in scope of your application is identified to be traffic control data and is not currently captured in a report. Access to traffic control data is available by application to Roads ACT. A description on this service is available [here](#) (Provision of Traffic Control Data) and the application can be made to Edward.Meredith@act.gov.au. In accordance with section 45(g) of the FOI Act, I am refusing to deal with your application where it applies to these records as the information is already available for purchase. Below is a list of surveys that have been undertaken since 2019:

- *Southern Cross Drive: Last surveyed in 2022 with data collected from three locations.*
- *Beaurepaire Crescent, Holt: Last surveyed in 2019 and 2023 with data from three locations.*
- *Pickworth Street, Holt: Last surveyed in 2020 with data collected from three locations.*

Upon reviewing the remaining two records and applying the public interest test under section 17 of the FOI Act, I have found it to be in the public interest to provide you with full access. The reasons for my decision are detailed below in the statement of reasons.

Statement of Reasons

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. I have taken the following into account:

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

Schedule 1:

- No relevant sections identified.

Schedule 2:

Factors favouring disclosure (Schedule 2.1)

- Schedule 2.1(a)(i) - promote open discussion of public affairs and enhance the government's accountability.
- Schedule 2.1(a)(iv) - ensure effective oversight of expenditure of public funds;
- Schedule 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 (Schedule 2.2)

- No relevant factors identified.

In reviewing the relevant record, I have identified that disclosure is likely to enhance government accountability and reveal reasons for a government decision. I have not identified information where factors favouring non-disclosure apply. I have found that disclosure is, on balance, in the public interest and provide you with full access to the records enclosed at [Attachment B](#).

Charges

In accordance with [Freedom of Information \(Fees\) Determination 2018](#), a fee of \$0.35 per page of information disclosed, except for the first 50 pages, may be applied to an access application. No fees are applicable to this application as the number of pages being released are within the fee-free threshold.

Online publishing – disclosure log

Under section 28 of the Act, TCCS maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. In accordance with section 28, your application, my decision and the information disclosed to you will be published within 3 – 10 business days. Your personal information will be removed prior to publication. 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

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
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



Lisa Johnson
Information Officer

18 March 2024

ATTACHMENT A - ACCESS APPLICATION SCHEDULE, FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Reference Number: 24-012

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.cityservices.act.gov.au/about-us/freedom_of_information/disclosure-log

Reference number	Page number	Description	Date	Status	Reason for non-release or deferral	Open Access release status
1	1 - 3	WR12715 Beaurepaire Cr LE notes	18 March 2021	Full access	Not applicable	Decision to be published on the TCCS Disclosure Log .
2	4 - 6	WR28599 - Beaurepaire Cr LE notes	11 January 2022	Full access	Not applicable	

Total number of documents: 2

Site Investigation Notes – WR12715

The requestor has noted there is a large no. of cars speeding and revving their engines on Beaurepaire St in Holt. There are currently no traffic calming or speed hump devices installed along the street.

Traffic Speeds and Volume

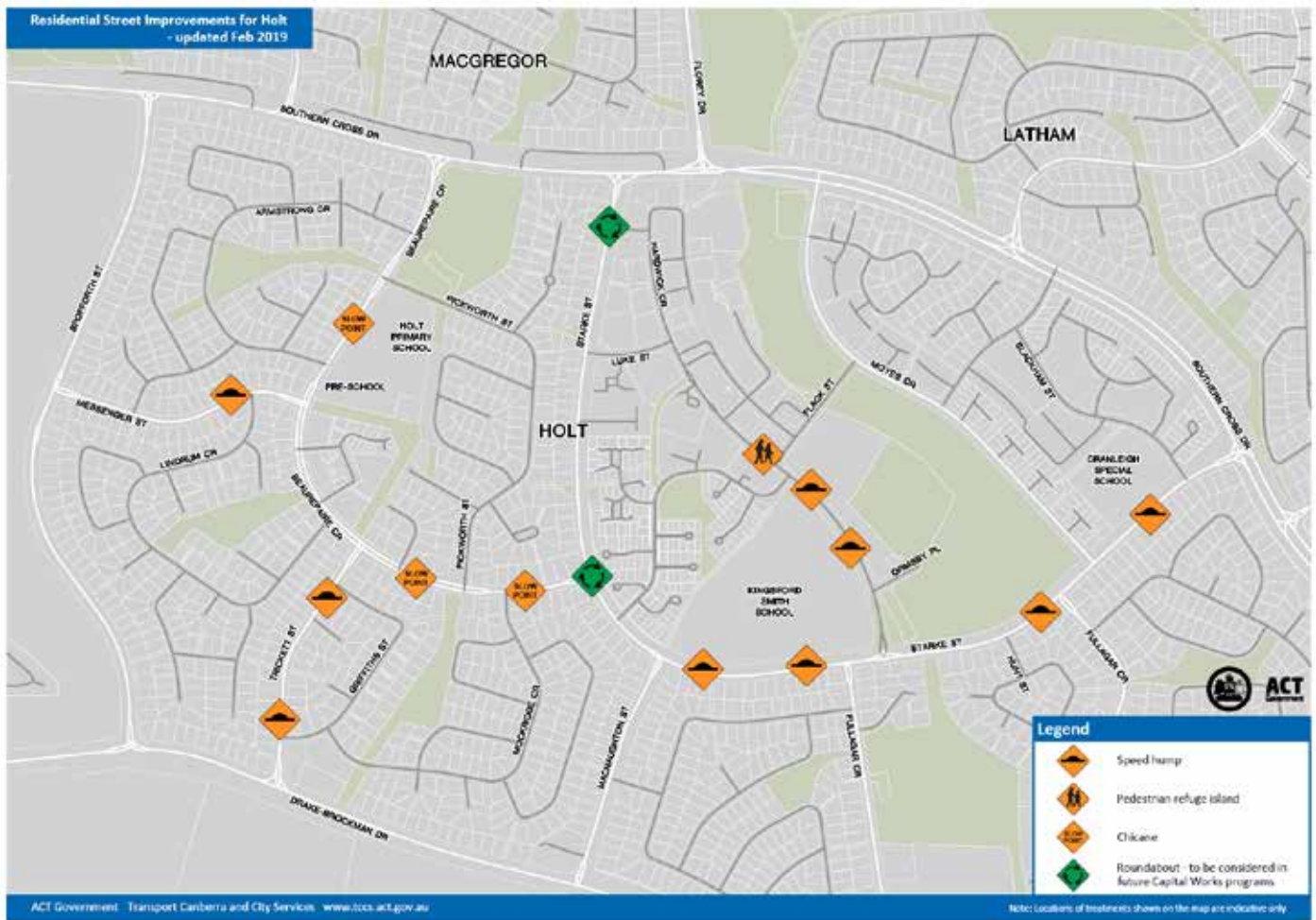
Beaurepaire Crescent is 50km/h (residential default). There is a '50 UNLESS SIGNPOSTED OTHERWISE' sign installed near the intersection with Southern Cross Drive.

Data from 2019:

	Towards Armstrong Crescent (Northbound)	Towards Pickworth Street (Southbound)
Weekday Volume	1,383 veh/d	1,379 veh/d
Weekday Mean Speed	55.0 km/h	55.1 km/h
Weekday 85 th Percentile Speed	61.7 km/h	61.0 km/h

	Towards Holt Place (Northbound)	Towards Holt Place (Southbound)
Weekday Volume	1,226 veh/d	1,295 veh/d
Weekday Mean Speed	48.1 km/h	48.3 km/h
Weekday 85 th Percentile Speed	53.5 km/h	54.7 km/h

	Towards Pickworth Street	Towards Rice Place
Weekday Volume	1,181 veh/d	1,190 veh/d
Weekday Mean Speed	53.7 km/h	55.8 km/h
Weekday 85 th Percentile Speed	59.9 km/h	61.9 km/h



Road Geometry and Layout

Two lanes undivided with several concrete refuge islands. Moving towards Starke Street there are several sections with a wide concrete median.

Surrounding Environment

Residential area – there is a small local shopping centre along this street.

Items to investigate on site:

- Signs of anti-social behaviour
- Motorist behaviours

Actions

- Engineering – the traffic conditions have been investigated and there are recommended traffic management improvements that will be implemented under future programs when funding becomes available and subject to competing priorities.
- Enforcement - Beaufort Crescent is already a listed location for mobile speed cameras.
- Enforcement – refer issue to ACT Policing re. speeding and anti-social behaviours.

Response

My name is Lauren, I work with Roads ACT.

I'm calling in regard to your enquiry about Beaurepaire Crescent.

The current traffic conditions on Beaurepaire Crescent have been investigated and there are recommended traffic management improvements that will be implemented under our future programs when funding becomes available and subject to competing priorities. In the meantime, I am going to refer your enquiry onto ACT Policing regarding the speeding and anti-social motorist behaviours.

Thank you for your enquiry.

LE review

I have reviewed Matthew's notes and discussed with TMS managers the following decision:

- Although there isn't a priority crossing provided at this location, there is a staged crossing opportunity given the wide median. This allows pedestrians to navigate one road crossing at a time and provides a safe place to wait in the median.
- Given the nearby bus stops, provision of a zebra crossing at this location would not be feasible given the conflict with buses pulling up at or leaving the bus stops to drop off and pick up passengers.

Response to customer

Good afternoon xx

I am emailing regarding your request through Fix My Street for a new pedestrian crossing on Beaurepaire Crescent in Holt.

Although there isn't a zebra crossing provided at this location, there is a staged crossing opportunity given the concrete median area/refuge island. This allows pedestrians to navigate one road crossing at a time and provides a safe place to wait in the median. Given the nearby bus stops, provision of a zebra crossing at this location would not be practicable given the conflict with buses pulling up to or leaving the bus stops to drop off and pick up passengers.

I hope this information is of assistance. Thank you for your enquiry.

Kind regards

Lauren Exton

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Matthew's notes - WR28599

CSRM Case Number : 00100690

Requester Contact Name: xxxxxxxx

Phone Number: 04xxxxxxx

Initial enquiry info only. See CSRM for additional correspondence.

Defect location info may be incorrect (address validation limitations).

More Information

Requesting a new pedestrian crossing / cross walk across Beaurepaire Cres to the Holt Shops at the Bus Stops, in particular given the new Micro-Forest and Nature Playground going in at the park across the road.

Is it posing a safety hazard?

Yes

Is it causing traffic or cyclists to swerve?

No

Could it cause a trip, fall or injury?

No

What are you requesting?

Request new pedestrian crossing

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53 BEAUREPAIRE CR, HOLT ACT 2615





A normal zebra crossing would probably suffice for this location. Analysis of speeds, pedestrian and vehicle counts would be advisable. Visibility should be excellent in either direction, and the median provides plenty of space for pedestrians, so even a zebra crossing may not be necessary. Unfortunately, the way the compliant is posed, it is in anticipation of something that has not actually happened yet.