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To: EPSDFOI
Subject: DA201835108

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Freedom of Information Officer
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate

Dear Sir,

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2016 for a copy of the following documents relating to DA201835108 approved on 5th June 2019; including but not confined to:

1. All public representations except those specifically requesting confidentiality.
2. Minutes of any pre-DA consultation prior to the submission of the DA.
3. The letter requesting agencies advice and the exact advice given by each agency which responded.
4. All communication via letter or email between ACTPLA and the proponent or his consultants requesting explanation, clarification or additional information.
5. Copies of all of the information as supplied by the proponent or his consultants in response to the above letters of request.
6. Copies of all correspondence with Institutions or experts which the Assessment Team may have consulted and the information provided by those bodies or individuals to assist the Authority with its decision making process and copies of any advice or information provided.
7. Copies of the request for and the advice given from any internal body within the ACT Government Bureaucracy.
8. All documentation demonstrating the consideration given to each comment or objection raised by every representation including the agencies' responses. These should include but not be confined to emails, tables, graphs, notes, memos, minutes of meetings with the proponent and/or his consultants, minutes of team meetings including the final decision making one, correspondence with consulted experts and the record in any form of the conclusions drawn to inform the NOD.

These documents other than no.2 which predates 30th January, should encompass the period between the submission of the DA on 30th January 2019 and the NOD of the 5th June 2019.

This request is made under Part 2 s.7 of the FOI Act .Part 2 s.9 **Promoting access to government information** states *"It is the intention of the Legislative Assembly that this Act be administered with a pro-disclosure bias and discretions given under it be exercised as far as possible in favour of disclosing government information."*

There is a wide public interest in general, in the disclosure of public information which could reasonably be expected to promote open discussion of public affairs enhancing Government transparency and accountability and could reasonably be expected to shed light on the deliberative process of the authority and generally on how the government goes about its business.

In this instance the public interest is according to Schedule 2.1 (viii) to reveal the reason for a government decision and any background or contextual information that informed the decision. Specifically the public interest lies in the manner in which public representations were considered as required by the P&D Act and how that consideration was reflected in the reasons for the decision in the NOD.

I request that all application and processing fees be waived under s107 of the Act as this information is of special benefit to a substantial section of the public those being all individuals and groups with an interest in the redevelopment of the location at Fyshwick as a Railway Hub and Waste Transfer Station NI2017-389. Since the requested information should be in active files I do not consider retrieval from archives to be necessary and that processing of this request should be simple and expeditious as per the principles of the Act.

Sincerely
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