

[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of information request: 18/28612 – Suburban Land Agency declared conflict of interests/meeting minutes and agendas

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act), received by the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD) dated 27 September 2018, in which you sought access to information relating to the Suburban Land Agency (herein after referred to as the Agency) executive board members:

“...all documents that include the Suburban Land Agency register, or registers, of the Agency’s board members’ and executive staff members’ potential conflicts of interest, unredacted. I also seek copies of all Agency internal board meeting agendas and minutes held since the establishment of the Agency in July 1, 2017 (not what appear to be summaries of said documents already made public on the Agency’s website...”

On 11 October 2018 you agreed to refine the scope of the request to:

“...final documents not duplicate’s and associated emails, but on the condition, they are the internal version, not what appear to be summaries of minutes as published on the SLA website...”

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

On the 16 November 2018, I informed you of my intention to refuse your application on the grounds of section 43 (1) (a). In accordance with section 46 (a) and (b) of the Act, you were being provided with a reasonable opportunity to consult with EPSDD with a view to clarifying the scope of your request and specific information sought.

Decision on access

I am now writing to inform you that I decided to refuse to deal with your application in its current form under section 43 (1) (a) of the Act because to do so would require an unreasonable and substantial diversion to Directorate resources.

The reasons for my decision remain as set out in my notice of 16 November 2018, which I have attached to this decision for your reference.

Online publishing – disclosure log

Under section 28 of the Act, EPSDD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. Your original access application, my decision and documents released to you in response to your access application will be published in the disclosure log from three days after the date of this decision. Your personal contact details will not be published.

You may view the EPSDD disclosure log at:

<https://www.environment.act.gov.au/about/access-government-information/disclosure-log>

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 844 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for a review of the Ombudsman decision.

Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:


ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
Level 4, 1 Moore Street
GPO Box 370
Canberra City ACT 2601

Telephone: (02) 6207 1740

<http://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 EPSDD Customer Service on 6207 1923 and ask for the FOI team, or email to EPSDFOI@act.gov.au

Your sincerely,



Anthony Bailey
Information Officer
Suburban Land Agency

7 December 2018