



Administrative Appeals Tribunal

FOI ref: 2020/0048

22 May 2020

Mr John Smith

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Dear Mr Smith,

Acknowledgement of Freedom of Information Request no. 2020/0048

I refer to your request for access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act) received 19 May 2020.

You have requested access to:

1. *The five most recent contracts (as at the date of this email) between the AAT, and the labour hire provider 'Launch Recruitment'.*
2. *A copy of the AAT's policy & procedures regarding the use of labour hire firms. Please narrow this request to only include documents that meet this description that are, or have been available on the AAT's intranet, for use by the AAT's managerial staff when procuring labour hire services.*
3. *The total number of labour hire staff presently working at the AAT. (Or a document, if it exists, that would detail that fact)*
4. *The names of the labour hire firms presently supplying labour hire services to the AAT. (Or a document, if it exists, that would detail that fact)*
5. *The amount spent by the AAT in the first quarter of 2020 on labour hire services. This is a distinct figure from the amount spent on contractors generally, a figure available in the annual reports. What I am interested in is the amount spent by the AAT on labour hire contractors that are fulfilling roles functionally identical to ordinary APS staff. (This would exclude, for example; an amount spent on a contractor electricians, or contractor management consultant etc). If this figure cannot be found in an existing document, please exclude it from the FOI request.*
6. *Any emails or instant message chat records within the inbox of either Chris Sutton or Sera Clemens that discuss the story:*
<https://www.michaelwest.com.au/boomers-vs-millennials-the-gig-economy-breaks-enters-the-australian-public-service/>
Please include only emails or skype records from the dates 9th & 10th of April inclusive. Please include deleted or archived emails for these two dates.

We received your request on 19 May 2020 and the 30 day statutory period for processing your request commenced from the day after that date. You should therefore expect a decision from us by **18 June 2020**. The 30 day period may be extended if we need to consult other parties or for other reasons permitted under the FOI Act.

Please note that information released under the FOI Act may later be published online on our [disclosure log](#), subject to certain exceptions. Personal information, for example, will not be published where this would be unreasonable.

As this request does not concern your personal information, there may be a processing charge. If this occurs we will send you an estimate letter before commencing processing.

We will contact you using the email address you have provided. Please advise if you would prefer us to use an alternative means of contact.

If you have any questions, please contact me at foi@aat.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

[Signed]

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