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Ref: 23/2140

Re: Outcome of GIPA Access Application – 23/2140

27 February 2023

Dear John Smith,

I refer to your application made under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (the GIPA Act) to the Greater Sydney Commission (Commission) dated 31 January 2023 requesting access to:

“I request the Declaration of Interests forms submitted by the Chief Commissioner and each of the City Commissioners. Declaration of real estate holdings including primary residences are of special interest. The most recent declaration form for each person please.”

The Commission has processed your application based on information held by the Greater Cities Commission as at the date of receipt of your application.

I have today decided your application, under section(s) 58(1)(a) of the GIPA Act, by providing access to the record(s) described in Annexure A.

Public Interest Considerations Against Disclosure

There is a presumption in favour of disclosing government information. You have a legally enforceable right to be provided with access to the information sought, unless there is an overriding public interest against disclosure of the information.

Section 14 of the GIPA Act provides a table of public interest considerations against disclosure to be taken into account. Items listed in the table that may be considered include where disclosure could reasonably be expected to reveal an individual’s personal information or contravene an information protection principle under the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998*.

Public Interest Test

In relation to the records described in Annexure A, I have applied the public interest test by weighing the release of personal information against the public interest consideration under s 12(2)(e) of the GIPA Act and have decided that there is an overriding public interest against disclosure that applies to personal information including:

- Signatures
- Addresses
- Full names

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Accordingly, access to that information is refused and copies of the redacted records are enclosed.

Disclosure Log

The Commission is required to keep a disclosure log which records details of access applications that the Commission has decided by providing access to the information requested where the Commission considers the information to be of interest to other members of the public.

I have decided that the information that is to be released to you will also be disclosed on the Commission's disclosure log.

Fees and charges

The GIPA Act entitles the Commission to charge for the processing of an application, even in circumstances where a decision is made that the Commission does not hold any information falling within the scope of the application.

Although approximately eight hours have been spent by the Commission processing your application, I have decided that no further charges should be imposed for this application.

Rights of review

These decisions are reviewable decisions under s 80 of the GIPA Act. If you are aggrieved by my decisions, you may seek review under Part 5 of the GIPA Act.

There are three forms of review:

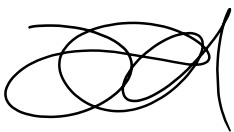
- internal review by a senior officer of the Commission,
- external review by the Information Commissioner, or
- external review by the Administrative Decisions Tribunal.

Your review rights are summarised in the enclosed fact sheet. You have 20 working days after the date of this letter to apply for an internal review, and 40 working days to apply for an external review.

Inquiries

Please contact David Fayyad, Director, Governance and Legal, on telephone (02) 8289 6133 if you have any questions in relation to your application.

Sincerely,



Lyndal Hayward
Executive Director, People and Corporate Services

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Annexure A – List of Attachments

- Attachment A - 20220905 - Robyn Parker - Central Coast City Commissioner - Conflict of Interest Declaration
- Attachment B - 20220901 - Robyn Parker - Central Coast City Commissioner - Pecuniary Interest Declaration
- Attachment C - 20220901 - Jackie Johnson - Illawarra-Shoalhaven City Commissioner - GCC Conflict of Interest
- Attachment D - 20220907 - Jacki Johnson - Illawarra-Shoalhaven City Commissioner - Pecuniary Interest Declaration
- Attachment E - 20221211 - Biljana (Billie) Sankovic - Western Parkland City Commissioner - Pecuniary Interests Disclosure
- Attachment F - 20221211 - Biljana (Billie) Sankovic - Western Parkland City Commissioner - Conflicts of Interest Disclosure
- Attachment G - 20220903 - Matthew Endacott - Lower-Hunter and Greater Newcastle City Commissioner - Pecuniary Interests Declaration
- Attachment H - 20221213 - Matthew Endacott - Lower-Hunter and Greater Newcastle City Commissioner - Conflicts of Interest Declaration
- Attachment I - 20220905 - Deb Dearing - Eastern Harbour City Commissioner - Pecuniary Interests Disclosure
- Attachment J - 20220905 - Deb Dearing - Eastern Harbour City Commissioner - Conflicts of Interest Disclosure
- Attachment K - 20220915 - Geoff Roberts - Chief Commissioner - Pecuniary Interests Disclosure
- Attachment L - 20220915 - Geoff Roberts - Chief Commissioner - Conflict of Interests Declaration
- Attachment M - 20220914 - Peter Poulet - Central River City Commissioner - Conflicts of Interest Disclosure
- Attachment N - 20220914 - Peter Poulet - Central River City Commissioner - Pecuniary Interests Disclosure
- Attachment O - 201911 - Information Privacy Commission - Your review rights under the GIPA Act - Fact Sheet