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Dear Mr Mullighan

APPLICATION UNDER THE *FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991*

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), dated 29 May 2020.

Your application seeks access to:

"All minutes, briefings and correspondence titled 'Member for Elder – Request for a New Trainee' as described on the Objective document management system, between 14 November 2019 and 29 May 2020."

The legislative prescribed timeframe to determine this application has expired and is now deemed to have refused you access to all documents relevant to your application. I refer to my letter dated 12 June 2020 where I sought additional time to make my determination.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination. An extensive search was conducted within this office. A total of 1 document was identified as answering the terms of your application.

I grant you access in part to 1 document; a copy of which is enclosed.

This document is released in part as it contains information of a personal nature which if released, would be an unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs. I have determined to exempt this information pursuant to clause 6(1).

Exemptions

Clause 6 – Documents affecting personal affairs

A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person

Please note, in compliance with Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045 - *Disclosure Logs for Non-Personal Information Released through Freedom of Information* (PC045), the Department of Treasury and Finance is now required to publish a log of all non-personal information released under the Act.

In accordance with this Circular, any non-personal information determined for release as part of this application, may be published on the DTF website. A copy of PC045 can be found at the following address: <https://dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. Please visit the website for further information.

As I am determining this application as Principal Officer, section 29(6) of the Act does not provide for an internal review. If you are dissatisfied with my determination you are entitled to exercise your rights of external review with the Ombudsman.

Alternatively, you can apply to the South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal. If you wish to seek a review, section 39(3) of the Act states you must do so within 30 calendar days of receiving the determination.

If you require any further information, please contact Vicky Cathro on 8226 9769.

Yours sincerely



Hon Rob Lucas MLC
Principal Officer

11 October 2020

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File ES12/0088

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To The Treasurer

MEMBER FOR ELDER - REQUEST FOR NEW TRAINEE

Timing: ROUTINE — For consideration

Recommendations/Issues: It is recommended that you:

- Consider the request from the Member for Elder, Ms Carolyn Power MP to engage another trainee, bearing in mind the requirement to create an additional temporary DTF position, and the budget impact on the Support Services to Parliamentarians budget of salary and oncosts and training fees, for an additional trainee above allocation for a period of 4 months.

Approved / Not Approved

Hon Rob Lucas MLC
Treasurer

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Key Points:

- The Member for Elder, Ms Carolyn Power MP has submitted a request to Electorate Services to engage another trainee.
- Electorate Services facilitates the appointment of one trainee to a Member of the South Australian Parliament at any given time and funds the salary and oncosts, TAFE training course fees and any other employee related expenses incurred for the duration of the 12 month traineeship, from the Support Services to Parliamentarians budget.

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- Should the Member for Elder's request be considered favourably, approval will be required to create an additional DTF trainee position and assuming a commencement date of 1 March 2020, a budget impact of \$15,000 in 2019-20 will be incurred.
- The Support Services to Parliamentarians budget can absorb the cost impact in this instance, however this may not be the case should this set a precedent and become standard practice.
- It is recommended that you consider the Member for Elder's request, taking into consideration past practice and potential future budget implications.

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Tony Smith
A/MANAGER, ELECTORATE SERVICES

23 January 2020

<u>Supported / Not Supported</u>

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