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Part 4 - Annual Report Requirements for Specific Reporting Entities

Investigation of Complaints

During the 2019-20 reporting period the Directorate's Complaints Unit received 2,828 matters including suggestions, requests for information and service, compliments received in writing and complaints received in writing and by phone. This was a slight increase to the numbers received in 2018-19 largely due to enquiries regarding COVID-19.

Members of the community are able to directly lodge their feedback with the Directorate, receive a tracking code for their feedback, and specify whether the feedback was related to a request for information, a request for service, a compliment or a complaint.

The Directorate commenced a complaints redesign process to ensure the most contemporary responses are employed to achieve appropriate resolution. This will be completed in 2021.

Feedback about ACT Public Schools

Of the records logged during the period there were 960 complaints.

For the complaints received about ACT public schools they were in relation to:

- 61 were about enrolments;
- 105 were about facilities;
- 398 were about policies;
- 37 were about school communication;
- 108 were about inclusion and engagement;
- 73 were about staff behaviour;
- 149 were about student behaviour management;
- 28 were about teaching and learning; and
- 1 was about recruitment.

Ministerial and Director-General Directions

During the 2019-20 period, the Directorate did not receive any direction from the Minister or the Director-General under the *Education Act 2004*.