



Dear 

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (FOI) REQUEST

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act), received by the Education Directorate (the Directorate) on 18 July 2023, in which you sought access to copies of the following records:

1. *Education Plan for ACT Government Schooling 1995-1997 (Department of Education and Training)*
2. *Schools Improvement Framework (Department of Education and Training) 2004*

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

On 19 July 2023 you were advised by email that the Act provides for access to government information up to 20 years old, and that you could contact Archives ACT about the Education Plan for ACT Government Schooling 1995-1997 because of its age.

The Education Directorate was required to provide a decision on your access application by 29 August 2023.

Decision on access

In accordance with section 43(1)(d) of the Act, I have decided that the government information requested is already available to you, as defined at section 45(a) of the Act, as it is publicly available. A search of the Trove website (<https://trove.nla.gov.au/>) identifies that both publications are available in public libraries in the ACT, or the National Library of Australia. Consequently, your application is now considered closed as my decision is to refuse access to the information requested.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable for this request because no information is being released to you.

Online publishing – disclosure log

Under section 28 of the Act, the Directorate maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. Information about your request and my decision will be published in the Directorate's disclosure log between three and 10 working days after the decision on access has been provided to you. Your personal information will not be published.

You may view the Directorate's disclosure log at

https://www.education.act.gov.au/about_us/freedom_of_information/disclosure-log.

Ombudsman review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in the Directorate's disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

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

Email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision.

Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
Allara House, 15 Constitution Ave
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, please contact the Directorate's FOI team on 02 6205 0720 or email EducationFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Information Officer

8 August 2023