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From: s.22(1)(a)(ii)
Sent: Friday, 4 November 2016 2:36 PM
To: s.47F(1)
Cc: s.22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: FW: Waverley Gymnastics Centre [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear s.47F(1)

On 23 August 2016, Senator the Hon Fiona Nash, Minister for Regional Development and Minister for Local Government and Territories, wrote to the Waverley Gymnastics Centre confirming the Australian Governments 2016 election commitment, however formal advice has been given to the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development (the Department) regarding the change of proponent and the City of Monash will now deliver the project.

The election commitment is to increase the capacity of the Waverley Gymnastics Centre. Monash City Council has advised that the intention is for Oakleigh Recreation Indoor Stadium and Gymnastics Development Project to house a relocated Waverley Gymnastics Centre in a larger facility with greater capacity for training and large scale events. Waverley Gymnastics Centre has confirmed that it is agreeable to the relocation. The Department still considers the intention of the election commitment will be met and we will proceed with our usual administrative procedures on that basis.

I trust this is of assistance.

Regards

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Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2016 2:25 PM
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Subject: FW: Waverley Gymnastics Centre Upgrade [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
Attachments: 20160611 Bishop, Banks, Kroger - Joint Media Release - Waverley gymnastics centre to spring into the future.pdf; FW: Waverley Gymnastics Centre [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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After our discussion regarding this issue I thought I would send you a copy the email I mentioned I sent the Council on 4 November regarding this project (see attached). I think I left the door open enough with "will proceed with our usual administrative procedures on that basis".

The Department would still expect formal Government approval processes to take place regarding any changes of scope to a project in any case.

Thanks s.22(1)(a)(ii)

From: CDG
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Subject: Waverley Gymnastics Centre Upgrade [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Good morning s.22(1)(a)(ii)

Please find below an email about this project and local media article. s.22(1)(a)(ii) will call to discuss shortly.

There is a council meeting this evening at 5 pm to confirm the Oakleigh Recreation Indoor Stadium and Gymnastics Development Project which is proposed to house the Waverley Gymnastic Centre. If Council is unable to confirm the project it may put the state funding at risk.

For background,

4 November 2016

In support of Monash City Council's application for state grant funding, the Department advised "The election commitment is to increase the capacity of the Waverley Gymnastics Centre. Monash City Council has advised that the intention is for Oakleigh Recreation Indoor Stadium and Gymnastics Development Project to house a relocated Waverley Gymnastics Centre in a larger facility with greater capacity for training and large scale events. Waverley Gymnastics Centre has confirmed that it is agreeable to the relocation. The Department still considers the intention of the election commitment will be met."

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Waverley Gymnastic Centre Inc and Monash City Council provided agreement for a change of proponent to Monash City Council. Waverley Gymnastic Centre also advised that it was in agreement to a proposal from Monash City Council to move the Waverley Gymnastics Centre from it's existing centre in Waverley to a new sports hub being developed approximately 2 kms away, which will provide for a larger gymnastics facility. Also, Monash City Council are seeking state grant funding for the new sports hub and will be seeking confirmation of AG funds. Monash City Council confirmed that the AG funds would only be used for the purposes of providing upgraded facilities for the Waverley Gymnastic Centre.

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From: s.47F(1)
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Subject: Attention: s.22(1)(a)(ii)

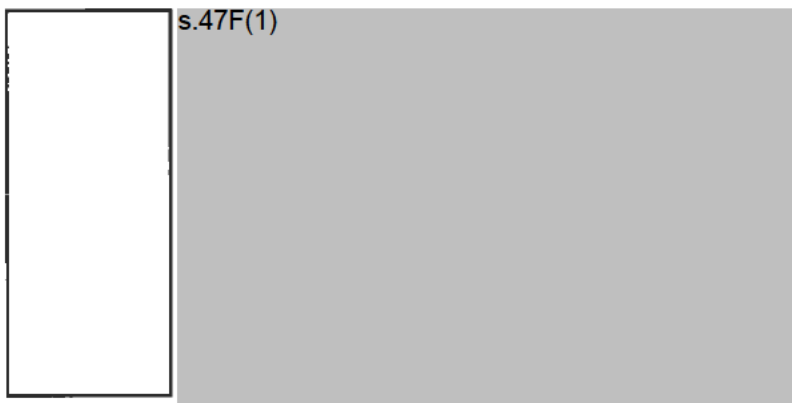
FYI as per todays discussion

We await your response as soon as possible as this are going to continue to heat up this end!!

Kind regards

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From: s.22(1)(a)(ii)
Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2016 4:53 PM
To: s.22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: FW: URGENT- media enquiry / deadline 4:30pm today / Waverley Gymnastics Centre [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Importance: High

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Importance: High

Hi s.22(1)(a)(ii)

Please see the media enquiry below. Grateful for a response by **4:30pm today** in order to give the MO ample time for clearance and to meet the journalist's deadline. Let me know if there are any issues.

ENQUIRY

I am writing in regards to the \$2.1 million election commitment by Julia Banks and Julie Bishop for the redevelopment of the Waverley Gymnastics Centre. Please see attached the letter received from the department.

Questions:

-Has the Community Development Grant program given consent to the Waverley Gymnastics Centre that the \$2.1 million promised to them through the Department can be used on a redevelopment centre at a newly proposed site ion Oakleigh?

No. Scope variations are a matter for Government approval. The email of 4 November 2016 to the Victorian State Government says that the Department would continue with its usual administrative procedures. These procedures include the provision of detailed project information from the proponent. The proponent provided this information on the 29th November at 5:30 pm.

-What "fine print" conditions, if any, exist about this election commitment?

The Programme Guidelines and supporting documentation are publicly available.

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-Does the Department agree or disagree that the attached letter grants consent to the council to proceed with its application to the State Govt on the basis that the Federal Govt cash could be put towards this project? No. Scope variations are a matter for Government approval. The email of 4 November 2016 to the Victorian State Government says that the Department would continue with its usual administrative procedures. These procedures include the provision of detailed project information from the proponent. The proponent provided this information on the 29th November at 5:30 pm.

-The council has been told "political reasons" had put a halt to the new proposal to relocate the club to Oakleigh and use their funds towards the build. Is this correct? When did Julia Banks contact the Department and ask for the deal to be called off?

The Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development has had no interaction with Ms Julia Banks MP regarding this project...

-Les White, a spokesman for Fiona Nash said the commitment was for the Mt Waverley site. "Should the project scope or location change, this would need to be considered by government," he said. Was the cash actually for the Mt Waverley site redevelopment, or for the club to use in a redevelopment?

This was a government commitment for the upgrade of the Waverley Gymnastics Centre.

PROPOSED RESPONSE

TBA

Any questions get in touch.

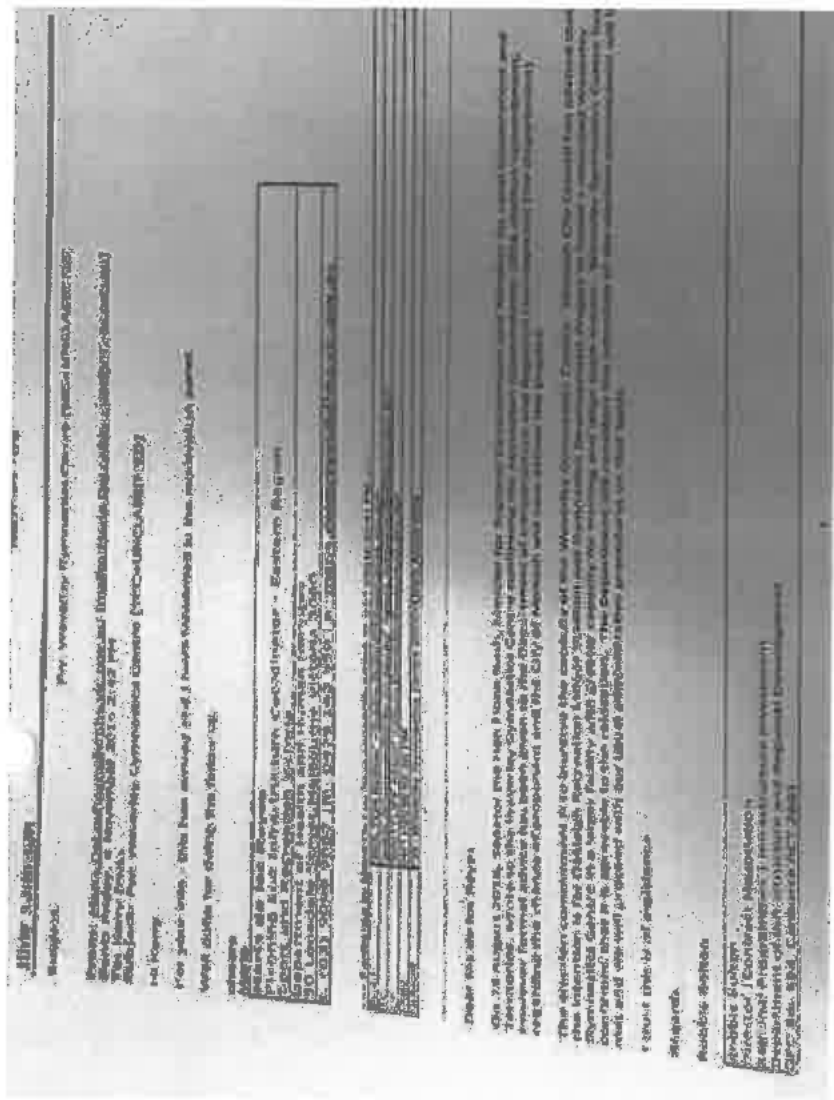
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From: McGinn, Christine [mailto:s.47F(1)]
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To: Media (Infrastructure) <media@infrastructure.gov.au>
Subject: Request for comment



Hello,

I am writing in regards to the \$2.1 million election commitment by Julia Banks and Julie Bishop for the redevelopment of the Waverley Gymnastics Centre. Please see attached the letter received from the department.

Questions:

- Was the Community Development Grant program given consent to the Waverley Gymnastics Centre that the \$2.1 million promised to them through the Department can be used on a redevelopment centre at a newly proposed site on Oakleigh?
- What "fine print" conditions, if any, exist about this election commitment?
- Does the Department agree or disagree that the attached letter grants consent to the council to proceed with its application to the State Govt on the basis that the Federal Govt cash could be put towards this project?
- The council has been told "political reasons" had put a halt to the new proposal to relocate the club to Oakleigh and use their funds towards the build. Is this correct? When did Julia Banks contact the Department and ask for the deal to be called off?
- Les White, a spokesman for Fiona Nash said the commitment was for the Mt Waverley site.
- "Should the project scope or location change, this would need to be considered by government," he said. Was the cash actually for the Mt Waverley site redevelopment, or for the club to use in a redevelopment?

I would appreciate a named response by 10am tomorrow please.

Some background stories:

- June 14, 2016: <http://bit.ly/29kkizW>
- June 1, 2016: <http://bit.ly/2fOSUxr>

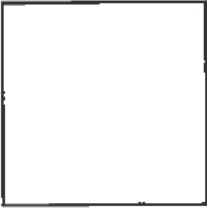
Kindly,

Christine.

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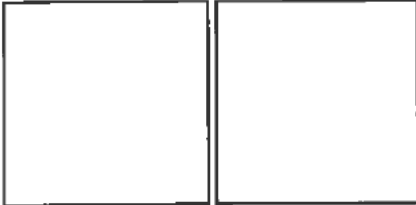
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