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Reference: OIA-2020/21-0118

Dear George Morrison

Official Information Act request relating to COVID-19 - Rob Fyfe involvement in COVID-19 business recovery since 1 January 2020 - Part 2

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 28 August 2020. You requested:

"... I would like to lodge an additional OIA request for all reports/briefings/communications/notes held by DPMC regarding Mr Rob Fyfe's suggestions and involvement in the Covid business recovery and his advocacy or any other matters since the 27 June to today [28 August 2020]."

The time frame for responding to your request was extended under section 15A of the Act by 20 working days because it necessitated consultations to be undertaken before a decision could be made on the request. Following this extension, I am now in a position to respond.

Information being released

I note my previous response captured the substantive advice and communications regarding Mr Fyfe's suggestions and involvement to date and included material from after 27 June 2020. This response canvasses information that was not captured or not identified when preparing our previous response.

I have decided to release the relevant parts of the documents listed below, subject to information being withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of individuals.

Item	Date	Document Description/Subject
1.	3 July 2020	Email with attachment: Fw: Re-engaging with the world release v3
2.	16 August 2020	Email: Testing

Please note that one further document has been identified and requires further consultation to be completed before I can make a decision on its release. We are progressing this with due haste and will provide a decision on this document as soon as possible, and no longer than ten working days.

Information to be withheld

There is additional information identified as relevant to your request that I have decided to withhold in full under the following sections of the Act:

- 1. section 9(2)(b)(ii), to protect the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or who is the subject of the information;
- 2. section 9(2)(ba)(i), to protect the supply of similar information in the future; and
- 3. section 9(2)(g)(i), to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinion.

In making my decision, I have taken the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Act into account.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

This response will be published on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website during our regular publication cycle. Typically, information is released monthly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

Yours sincerely

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