FOREWORD

I have much pleasure in submitting to both Houses of Parliament, the 1999 Freedom of Information Annual Report.

This report reflects the operation of freedom of information in Victoria for the 1998/1999 financial year and has been prepared in accordance with sections 64 and 65AA of the Freedom of Information Act 1982.

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PART 1: GENERAL USE OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

The statistical data included in this report has been obtained from approximately 300 agencies that are subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act). The statistical information was requested and provided on a uniform basis and in accordance with the requirements of section 64 and section 65AA of the FOI Act.

1. Number of Requests, Internal Reviews and VCAT Appeals

Table 1 illustrates the totals of the number of requests and corresponding internal reviews and Tribunal appeals, since the introduction of the FOI Act.

The number of requests received during 1998/99 showed an increase of around 7% above the figure for the previous year. This increase can be attributed to a number of reasons such as a growing awareness of the FOI Act and its utilisation by persons to access government information, particularly documents relating to themselves. Advice from agencies also indicates that the following factors are likely to have contributed to the overall increase:

- Hospitals and medical centres reported that there appears to be an increase in requests subsequent to media reports on public health issues; and
- an increase in the use of FOI as an alternative to obtaining documents through the discovery process.

Even with this increase, there has been continued encouragement for agencies to provide information, where possible, outside the process provided for by the Act.

Table 1: Number of Requests, Reviews and Appeals

| YEAR | FOI REQUESTS | INTERNAL REVIEWS | APPEALS TO VCAT |
|---------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1998/99 | 13082 | 270 | 159 |
| 1997/98 | 12 195 | 319 | 304 |
| 1996/97 | 12 211 | 288 | 189 |
| 1995/96 | 10 834 | 291 | 154 |
| 1994/95 | 10 447 | 293 | 156 |
| 1993/94 | 10 151 | 312 | 171 |
| 1992/93 | 11 364 | 372 | 220 |
| 1991/92 | 14 357 | 416 | 193 |
| 1990/91 | 14 690 | 372 | 168 |
| 1989/90 | 10 460 | 437 | 177 |
| 1988/89 | 10 700 | 402 | 141 |

There was a decrease in 1998/99 compared to the previous year in the number of internal reviews and appeals to VCAT. No singular reason for the decrease in internal reviews

can be ascertained, however a decrease in appeals to the Tribunal are likely to reflect the impact of VCAT fee increases from \$165 to \$170 and the requirement for payment of this fee by applicants where agencies are deemed to have refused access to documents (both changes took place as of 1 July 1998).

Of the 13,082 requests lodged with agencies, 1% of these were appealed to VCAT. Decisions made by the Tribunal resulted in agency decisions being fully confirmed in 49% of cases and in 32% of appeals decided, VCAT partially upheld agency decisions. In 5% of the total appeals, VCAT granted full access to documents.

2. Decisions on Request

The access rate to documents requested has remained constant with some 68% of 1998/99 requests receiving access in full (see table 2 and chart 1 below). Coupled with partial access decisions, applicants gained access to documents in 86% of requests and access was refused outright in only 3% of requests considered.

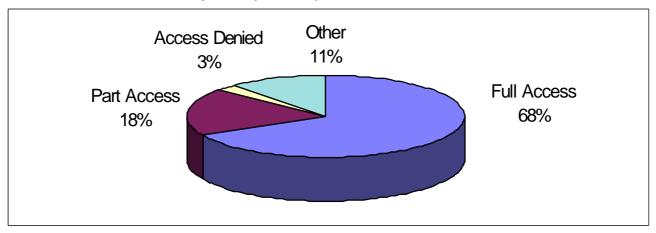
In 1999, the number of non-personal requests increased by 28% compared to the previous year. This would seem to reflect an increasing interest in government administration. Agencies have also indicated that it reflects the amount of personal documents being disclosed outside the freedom of information process. The 11% of requests not covered by Table 2 are those requests included in 'other' in Chart 1 below.

Charts 1 to 3 illustrate the outcomes of requests, reviews and appeals in 1999.

Table 2: Decisions on Requests

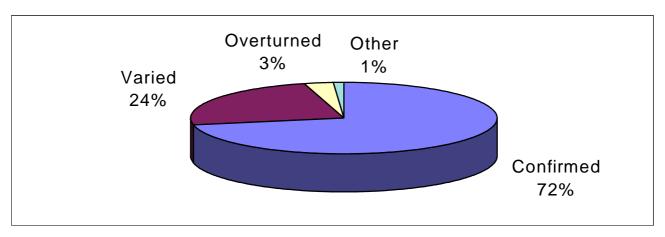
| DECISION | 1998/99 | % OF TOTAL REQUESTS | 1997/98 | % OF TOTAL REQUESTS | |
|---------------|---------|---------------------|---------|---------------------|--|
| | | | | | |
| FULL ACCESS | 8802 | 68% | 7859 | 64% | |
| PART ACCESS | 2419 | 18% | 2557 | 21% | |
| ACCESS DENIED | 365 | 3% | 555 | 5% | |

Chart 1: Decisions on Requests (1998/99)



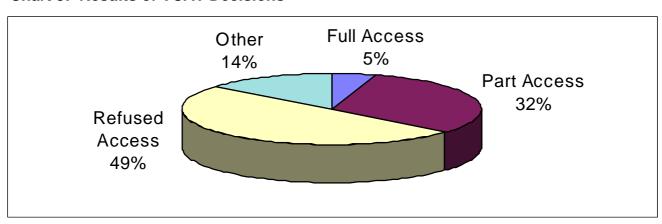
Note: 'Other' covers situations where a request has been received but one of the following situation applies: the applicant did not proceed with the application; it was transferred to another agency; it was a request made in 1998/99 but had not been decided at the end of the reporting period; the agency did not hold the documents sought or where the agency and the applicant agreed on a form of access satisfactory to the applicant.

Chart 2: Results of Internal Review Decisions



Note: 'Other' covers situations such as: where the request for review was withdrawn; where a decision on the request for review was pending at the end of the reporting period; or where the agency and the applicant agreed on a form of access satisfactory to the applicant.

Chart 3: Results of VCAT Decisions



Note: 'Other' covers the following situations: the applicant did not proceed with the appeal; the appeal is still to be decided; or the appeal was resolved at a stage prior to hearing to the satisfaction of the applicant.

3. Most Frequently Cited Exemptions

The four most frequently cited exemptions in 1998/99 were the same as those in the previous year. The protection of an individual's personal affairs where disclosure under the Act would be unreasonable was the most frequently cited exemption (s.33). Following this category, in order, were refusals of access where the documents requested contained information provided in confidence to agencies (s.35), refusals where documents contained opinions or advice of officials or ministers and it would not be in the public interest for those documents to be released (s. 30); and refusal where release of documents would adversely affect law enforcement procedures, or the conduct of a fair trial (s.31).

Chart 4: Trends of Most Used Exemptions

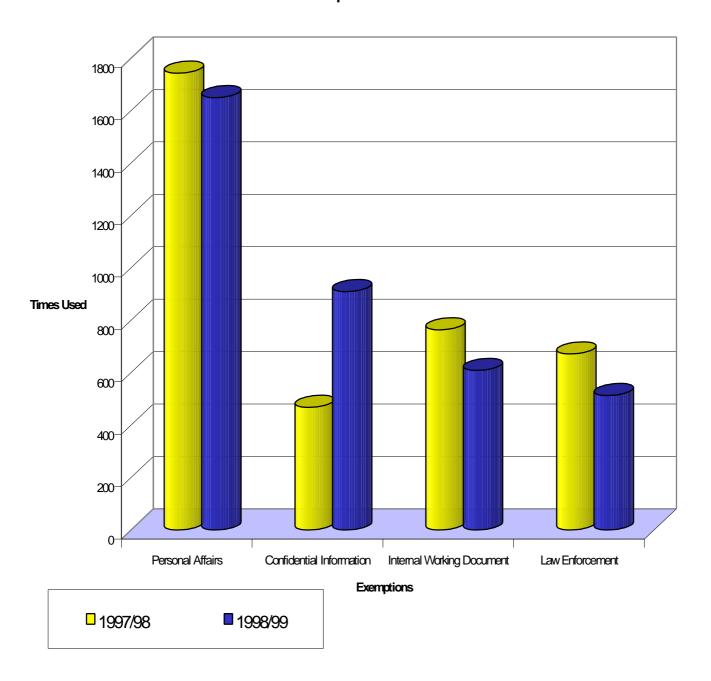


Table 3: Exemptions Cited

| SECTION OF FOI ACT | ORIGINAL DECISION | INTERNAL REVIEW | VCAT |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|------|
| 24A: Repeated Requests | 2 | - | |
| 25A: Voluminous Requests | 77 | 23 | 1 |
| 28: Cabinet Documents | 21 | 7 | 6 |
| 29: Intergovernmental Relations | 8 | 4 | 2 |
| 30: Internal Working Documents | 609 | 95 | 28 |
| 31: Law Enforcement | 513 | 52 | 3 |
| 32: Legal Professional Privilege | 282 | 42 | 19 |
| 33: Personal Affairs | 1650 | 103 | 34 |
| 34: Commercial Confidentiality | 215 | 65 | 31 |
| 35: Information Gained in Confidence | 910 | 54 | 19 |
| 36: Contrary to Public Interest | 10 | 6 | 2 |
| 38: Exempted by Another Enactment | 318 | 32 | 10 |
| 38A: Council Documents | 15 | 5 | - |

4. Fees and Charges for Requests

From the statistics provided it would seem that fees are being waived or reduced in approximately 36% of cases. This is based on the total number of requests – 13,082 - multiplied by \$20. If the fee were charged in each case, revenue received from fees would have been \$261,640. However, fee revenue was \$ 166,675.

It is hard to say how much was waived in charges. Often where charges are to be waived agencies do not calculate the actual charges that would have been made. Rather, they note the number of cases where waivers were granted on charges. If the total charges revenue of \$190,962.30 were divided across the 13,082 requests, each applicant would have paid \$14.60 in access charges.

5. 'Top 20' Agencies

A feature of this report each year is the 'Top 20' agencies. Of the approximately 300 agencies that provided information incorporated into this report, agencies in the 'Top 20' handled 74% of requests, with 57% of the requests they receive being for personal documents. Consequently, the percentage of personal requests for the 'Top 20' agencies is practically the same as the overall percentage of personal requests (55%). Table 4 below identifies the relevant 20 agencies.

 Table 4:
 Agencies Receiving the Most Requests.

| NAME OF AGENCY | PERSONAL REQUESTS | NON PERSONAL REQUESTS | TOTAL |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| 1 Human Services, Department of | 1070 | 160 | 1230 |
| 2 Victoria Police | 653 | 505 | 1158 |
| 3 Southern Health Care Network | 617 | 383 | 1000 |
| 4 Metropolitan Ambulance Service | 221 | 509 | 730 |
| 5 Country Fire Authority | 6 | 624 | 630 |
| 6 Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board | 6 | 621 | 627 |
| 7 Alfred Hospital, The | 176 | 353 | 529 |
| 8 Victorian Workcover Authority | 286 | 177 | 463 |
| 9 Royal Children's Hospital | 442 | 0 | 442 |
| 10 St Vincent's Hospital | 136 | 222 | 358 |
| 11 Royal Melbourne Hospital | 331 | 0 | 331 |
| 12 Transport Accident Commission | 304 | 10 | 314 |
| 13 Western Hospital | 112 | 175 | 287 |
| 14 Barwon Health | 276 | 4 | 280 |
| 15 Austin & Repatriation Medical Centre | 85 | 172 | 257 |
| 16 Education, Dept . of | 127 | 114 | 241 |
| 17 La Trobe Regional Hospital | 235 | 2 | 237 |
| 18 Box Hill Hospital | 169 | 58 | 227 |
| 19 Northern Hospital, The | 213 | 0 | 213 |
| 20 Royal Women's Hospital | 120 | 41 | 161 |
| TOTAL | 5585 | 4130 | 9715 |

PART 2: DETAILED STATISTICS FOR EACH AGENCY

6. Requests Received by Agencies

In the guidelines sent to agencies explaining the information required to compile this report, FOI Officers were asked not to include applications where the fee had not been paid or the waiver not granted.

From time to time, FOI Officers will receive applications which do not proceed for a number of reasons. For instance, the applicant does not pay the fee or, more often, the request for information is not relevant to the agency or the document does not exist. Also, you have those requests where the applicant is provided with the information without the need for a request under the FOI Act. Whilst many of these sort of requests can require a commitment of time and resources by the FOI Officer, they are technically not requests under the Act.

7. Requests for Internal Review

After the initial access decision, if an agency decides not to grant access to a document, the applicant has a right to appeal that decision. The first stage of appeal is an 'internal review'. This requires a written request to the principal officer of the agency asking that a fresh decision on the request be made.

Table 6 provides details of the agencies that received requests for internal review of a decision and an indication of the outcome of those reviews. The outcomes relate to the original decision made by the FOI officer in terms of whether it was confirmed, varied or overturned. Where a decision of the FOI officer is varied under review, the fresh decision may be a minor variation on the original decision; or may be a significant disclosure of additional information.

Where an original decision is shown as being overturned, then this means that full access has now been given to the documents sought by the applicant.

Only those agencies which received requests for internal review are listed.

8. Appeals to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal

If an applicant is dissatisfied with the outcome of an internal review, he or she may then appeal to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).

Table 7 identifies the agencies whose decisions resulted in appeals to the VCAT in 1998/99. They were also asked to indicate the number and type of decisions handed down by the Tribunal in 1998/99, whether or not those decisions were as a result of appeals lodged in that year or earlier. This was necessary given the time between an appeal being lodged and a final decision handed down.

The VCAT process includes conciliation between parties whereby the applicant and respondent are called before the tribunal for a preliminary conference to try to resolve documents in dispute before the case proceeds to a hearing. Appeals can often be withdrawn as a result of this process.

9. Exemptions Cited

Where an agency refuses an applicant access to documents, the agency is required by the Act to give reasons for refusal. In refusing access an agency is limited to the situations provided for in the Act (exemptions). Table 8 lists all the exemptions cited to applicants by agencies when refusing access.

10. Decision Makers

The *Freedom of Information Act* operates primarily on an agency level. It is an official of that agency who makes the initial decision and a different official who reviews a decision if requested by the applicant.

Table 9 names each official, specifying his or her title, where that official made a decision to refuse access to some or all of the documents requested.

11. Fees and Charges

The Act requires an application for access to documents to be accompanied by an application fee of \$20. Any other moneys payable in respect of a request after the application fee has been paid are referred to in the Act as "charges". Thus the differentiation between the fees and charges in Table 10. Charges apply to the cost of supplying copies of documents, providing access in other forms, supervising access to documents, searching for documents etc.

The Act also provides that fees can be waived or reduced where payment would cause hardship. Similarly, charges can be waived where the applicant is impecunious and the request is for personal documents, as well as in a few other situations. The decision on whether or not to waive a fee or charge rests with the agency.

12. Retrospective Access

Agencies were asked to comment on the practicability of extending the period of retrospective access, ie. all agencies, other than councils, are not required to process requests for non-personal documents created prior to 1978 and councils, not prior to 1989. Requests for personal documents are not subject to a time limitation, and therefore depend only on whether documents are still held. Agencies have generally indicated that due to the rare instances where requests for pre 1978 and 1989 records are made, it does not appear necessary to extend the period.

Table 5: Requests Received by Agencies

| AGENCY | PERSONAL REQUESTS | NON PERSONAL REQUESTS | ACCESS FULL | ACCESS PART | ACCESS DENIED | OTHER** |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Alfred Hospital, The | 176 | 353 | 426 | 0 | 1 | 102 |
| Alpine Shire | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Angliss Health Service | 108 | 0 | 106 | | 2 | |
| Austin & Repatriation Medical Centre | 85 | 172 | 236 | 1 | 0 | 20 |
| Australian Grand Prix Corporation | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Ballarat City Council | 0 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| Ballarat Community Health Centre | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ballarat Health Services | 55 | 67 | 121 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Banyule City Council | 0 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| Banyule Community Health Service | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Barwon Health | 276 | 4 | 273 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| Barwon Region Water Authority | 0 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Bass Coast Shire Council | 1 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Baw Baw Shire Council | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Bayside City Council | 0 | 13 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Benalla & District Memorial Hospital | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bendigo Community Health Services Inc | 1 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bendigo Hospital Campus, Bendigo | 31 | 61 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Health Care Group Board of Studies | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Boroondara City Council | 0 | 13 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 5 |
| Box Hill Hospital | 169 | 58 | 227 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brimbank City Council | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Campaspe Murray Community Care | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Inc. Cardinia Shire Council | 0 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Casey, City of | 0 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Caulfield General Medical Centre | 11 | 10 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Central Gippsland Health Service | 42 | 0 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Central Gippsland Institute of TAFE | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Central Gippsland Region Water Authority | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Chisholm Institute of TAFE | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| City West Water Limited | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |

| AGENCY | PERSONAL REQUESTS | NON PERSONAL REQUESTS | ACCESS FULL | ACCESS PART | ACCESS DENIED | OTHER** |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Cobaw Community Health Service | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Colac Community Health Services | 3 | 8 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Colac Otway Shire Council | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Country Fire Authority | 6 | 624 | 10 | 571 | 13 | 36 |
| Darebin Community Health Service | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Inc. Darebin, City of | 1 | 15 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Delatite Shire Council | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dental Board of Victoria | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Djerriwarrh Health Services | 1 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Docklands Authority | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| East Gippsland Shire Council | 3 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| East Grampians Health Service | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| East Wimmera Health Service | 3 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Education, Department of | 127 | 114 | 100 | 68 | 13 | 60 |
| Emergency Services Superannuation | 25 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Scheme Energy Efficiency Victoria | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Environment Conservation Council | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Environment Protection Authority | 0 | 99 | 56 | 34 | 7 | 2 |
| Equal Opportunity Commission | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Victoria Far East Gippsland Health & Support Service | 5 | 10 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Frankston City Council | 0 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Glen Eira City Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Glenelg Shire Council | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Goulburn Valley Health | 59 | 3 | 62 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grampians Community Health Centre Inc. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Greater Bendigo City Council | 0 | 11 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Greater Dandenong City Council | 0 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 |
| Greater Geelong City Council | 0 | 21 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 12 |
| Greater Shepparton City Council | 0 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| Greyhound Racing Victoria | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Harness Racing Victoria | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Health Services Commissioner | 2 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hepburn Health Service | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | | |

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|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Hepburn Shire Council | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Hesse Rural Health Service | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hobsons Bay City Council | 0 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Horsham Rural City Council | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Human Services, Department of | 1070 | 160 | 366 | 496 | 54 | 314 |
| Hume City Council | 0 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Indigo Shire Council | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Infrastructure, Department of | 2 | 147 | 46 | 24 | 5 | 74 |
| Inner South Community Health Service | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ISIS Primary Care | 1 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Justice, Department of | 94 | 56 | 30 | 68 | 9 | 43 |
| Kerang & District Hospital | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Kingston City Council | 0 | 14 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Knox City Council | 0 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Kyabram and District Memorial | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hospital La Trobe Regional Hospital | 235 | 2 | 217 | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| La Trobe Shire Council | 2 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| Loddon Shire Council | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Lorne Community Hospital | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Lyndoch Warrnambool Inc. | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Macedon Ranges Shire Council | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mallee Track Health and Community | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Service Manningham City Council | 0 | 10 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Maribyrnong City Council | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Marine Board of Victoria | 0 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Maroondah City Council | 0 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Maroondah Hospital | 149 | 0 | 145 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Maryborough District Health Service | 0 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria | 12 | 15 | 10 | 9 | 1 | 7 |
| Melbourne and Olympic Parks Trust | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Melbourne City Council | 1 | 33 | 15 | 10 | 3 | 6 |
| Melbourne City Link Authority | 0 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| Melbourne Extended Care & Rehabilitation Service | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| AGENCY | PERSONAL REQUESTS | NON PERSONAL REQUESTS | ACCESS FULL | ACCESS PART | ACCESS DENIED | OTHER** |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Melbourne Market Authority | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Melbourne Port Corporation | 0 | 13 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 2 |
| Melbourne Water Corporation | 11 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| Melton Shire Council | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Mercy Hospital for Women | 67 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Metropolitan Ambulance Service | 221 | 509 | 666 | 0 | 1 | 63 |
| Metropolitan Fire & Emergency Services Board | 6 | 621 | 606 | 0 | 8 | 13 |
| Mildura Base Hospital | 50 | 2 | 51 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Mildura Rural City Council | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mitchell Shire Council | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Moira Shire Council | 0 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Monash City Council | 1 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Monash University | 8 | 8 | 11 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Moonee Valley City Council | 2 | 14 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 2 |
| Moorabool Shire Council | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Moreland City Council | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Mornington Peninsula Shire Council | 0 | 11 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Mount Alexander Hospital | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mount Alexander Shire Council | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Moyne Shire Council | 0 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Murrindindi Community Health Service Inc. | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Murrindindi Shire Council | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Natural Resources & Environment, Dept. of | 1 | 118 | 23 | 45 | 33 | 18 |
| Northern Grampians Shire Council | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Northern Hospital, The | 213 | 0 | 206 | 6 | 0 | 1 |
| Northern Melbourne Institute of TAFE | 0 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nowa Nowa Community Health Centre | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Nurses Board of Victoria | 10 | 24 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Otway Health and Community Services | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Peninsula Health Care Network | 145 | 9 | 146 | 3 | 5 | 0 |
| Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute | 4 | 28 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Plumbing Industry Commission | 0 | 24 | 19 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Port Phillip City Council | 1 | 29 | 17 | 6 | 3 | 4 |

| AGENCY | PERSONAL REQUESTS | NON PERSONAL REQUESTS | ACCESS FULL | ACCESS PART | ACCESS DENIED | OTHER** |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Portland & District Hospital | 26 | 31 | 56 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Premier & Cabinet, Department of | 2 | 33 | 3 | 11 | 0 | 21 |
| Public Prosecutions, Office of | 3 | 38 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| Public Transport Corporation | 5 | 63 | 19 | 18 | 3 | 28 |
| Pyrenees Shire Council | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Registered Schools Board | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Regulator-General, Office of the | 0 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| RMIT | 5 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Robinvale District Health Services | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rochester & Elmore District Health Service | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Royal Children's Hospital | 442 | 0 | 340 | 16 | 4 | 82 |
| Royal Dental Hospital of Melbourne | 22 | 6 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Royal Melbourne Hospital | 331 | 0 | 301 | 0 | 0 | 30 |
| Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital | 50 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Royal Women's Hospital | 120 | 41 | 161 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rural Ambulance Victoria | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rural City of Ararat | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| St George's Health Service | 3 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| St Vincent's Hospital | 136 | 222 | 355 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Seymour District Memorial Hospital | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| South East Water Limited | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| South Gippsland Shire Council | 0 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Southern Grampians Shire Council | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Southern Health Care Network | 617 | 383 | 954 | 46 | 0 | 0 |
| State Development, Department of | 1 | 21 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 6 |
| State Electricity Commission of Victoria | 40 | 1 | 25 | 10 | 6 | 0 |
| State Library of Victoria | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| State Revenue Office | 0 | 61 | 7 | 17 | 20 | 17 |
| State Trustees | 2 | 23 | 6 | 15 | 4 | 0 |
| Stawell District Hospital | 14 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Stonnington City Council | 1 | 52 | 43 | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| Strathbogie Shire Council | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sunraysia Community Health Services Inc | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Surf Coast Shire Council | 0 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Swan Hill District Hospital | 21 | 0 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Swan Hill Rural City Council | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Swinburne University of Technology | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Tourism Victoria | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Transport Accident Commission | 304 | 10 | 38 | 252 | 12 | 12 |
| Treasury and Finance, Department of | 0 | 61 | 5 | 9 | 10 | 37 |
| Trust for Nature, Victoria | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| University of Melbourne | 8 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Urban Land Corporation | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Veterinary Practitioners' Registration | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Board of Victoria VicRoads | 42 | 30 | 30 | 26 | 6 | 10 |
| Victoria Legal Aid | 15 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 5 | 2 |
| Victoria Police | 653 | 505 | 439 | 408 | 49 | 262 |
| Victoria State Emergency Service | 14 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Victoria University of Technology | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority | 2 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| Victorian Dairy Industry Authority | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Victorian Superannuation Board | 87 | 3 | 86 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Victorian WorkCover Authority | 286 | 177 | 283 | 71 | 18 | 91 |
| Wangaratta District Base Hospital | 13 | 16 | 24 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Wangaratta, Rural City of | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Warrnambool & District Base Hospital | 62 | 53 | 112 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Warrnambool City Council | 1 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wellington Shire Council | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Werribee Mercy Hospital | 53 | 0 | 53 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| West Wimmera Health Service | 13 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Western District Health Service | 0 | 12 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Western Hospital | 112 | 175 | 287 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Whitehorse City Council | 1 | 12 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| Whittlesea City Council | 0 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Williamstown Hospital | 8 | 15 | 21 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Wimmera Health Care Group | 24 | 3 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| AGENCY | PERSONAL REQUESTS | NON PERSONAL REQUESTS | ACCESS FULL | ACCESS PART | ACCESS DENIED | OTHER** |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Wodonga Regional Health Service | 7 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wodonga, City of | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wonthaggi & District Hospital | 5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Wyndham City Council | 1 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Yarra City Council | 0 | 16 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Yarra Ranges Health Service | 3 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Yarra Ranges Shire Council | 2 | 22 | 14 | 6 | 0 | 4 |
| Yarra Valley Water Limited | 0 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Yarrawonga District Hospital | 18 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Zoological Parks and Gardens Board | 0 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 7140 | 5942 | 8802 | 2419 | 365 | 1496 |

^{**}The column headed 'Other' covers situations where a request has been received but one of the following situation applies: the applicant did not proceed with the application; it was transferred to another agency; it was a request made in 1997/98 but had not been decided at the end of the reporting period; the agency did not hold the documents sought or where the agency and the applicant agreed on a form of access satisfactory to the applicant.

Table 6: Requests for Internal Review

| AGENCY | INTERNAL REVIEWS | DECISION CONFIRMED | DECISION VARIED | DECISION OVERTURNED | OTHER*** |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------|
| Alfred Hospital, The | 1 | 1 | Vitales | OVERTORINE | |
| Ballarat City Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ballarat Community Health Centre | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ballarat Health Services | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Banyule City Council | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Baw Baw Shire Council | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Bayside City Council | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Board of Studies | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Boroondara City Council | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Casey, City of | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| City West Water Limited | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Colac Otway Shire Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Country Fire Authority | 21 | 19 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Education, Department of | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Environment Protection Authority | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Equal Opportunity Commission Victoria | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Frankston City Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Glenelg Shire Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Greater Bendigo City Council | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Human Services, Department of | 31 | 18 | 12 | 1 | 0 |
| Infrastructure, Dept. of | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Justice, Department of | 7 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| La Trobe Regional Hospital | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| La Trobe Shire Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Manningham City Council | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Maroondah City Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Maroondah Hospital | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Melbourne and Olympic Parks Trust | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Melbourne City Council | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Melbourne Market Authority | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Melbourne Port Corporation | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Melton Shire Council | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| AGENCY | INTERNAL REVIEWS | DECISION CONFIRMED | DECISION VARIED | DECISION OVERTURNED | OTHER*** |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------|
| Metropolitan Ambulance Service | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Moonee Valley City Council | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Murrindindi Shire Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Natural Resources & Environment, Department of | 16 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Peninsula Health Care Network | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Plumbing Industry Commission | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Port Phillip City Council | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Portland & District Hospital | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Premier and Cabinet, Department of | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Public Transport Corporation | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| RMIT | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Royal Children's Hospital | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Southern Health Care Network | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| State Development, Department of | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| State Revenue Office | 30 | 8 | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| State Trustees | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Swan Hill Rural City Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Transport Accident Commission | 7 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Treasury and Finance, Department of | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| VicRoads | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Victoria Legal Aid | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Victoria Police | 25 | 22 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Victoria University of Technology | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Victorian WorkCover Authority | 5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Whitehorse City Council | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Wodonga, City of | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Yarra Ranges Shire Council | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Yarra Valley Water Limited | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 270 | 194 | 65 | 8 | 3 |

^{***} This column headed 'Other' covers situations such as: where the request for review was withdrawn; where a decision on the request for review was pending at the end of the reporting period; or where the agency and the applicant agreed on a form of access satisfactory to the applicant.

 Table 7:
 Appeals to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal

| AGENCY | NUMBER OF APPEALS LODGED | NUMBER DECIDED BY VCAT | VCAT GRANTED FULL ACCESS | VCAT GRANTED PART ACCESS | VCAT REFUSED ACCESS | OTHER** |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|
| Australian Grand Prix Corporation | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ballarat Health Services | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Bayside City Council | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Board of Studies | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| City West Water Limited | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Country Fire Authority | 12 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Education, Department of | 9 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Frankston City Council | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Glen Eira City Council | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Human Services, Department of | 16 | 15 | 0 | 3 | 12 | 0 |
| Infrastructure, Department of | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Justice, Department of | 10 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Maroondah Hospital | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Melbourne Market Authority | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Melbourne Port Corporation | 11 | 10 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 0 |
| Melton Shire Council | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Metropolitan Ambulance Service | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Metropolitan Fire & Emergency Services Board | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Moonee Valley City Council | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Murrindindi Shire Council | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Natural Resources & Environment, Dept. of | 9 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Peninsula Health Care Network | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Premier & Cabinet, Department of | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Regulator General, Office of the | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| RMIT | | | | | | |
| St. Vincent's Hospital | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| State Development, Department of | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | |
| State Electricity Commission of Victoria | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| State Revenue Office | 22 | 21 | 0 | 8 | 13 | 0 |

| AGENCY | NUMBER OF APPEALS LODGED | NUMBER DECIDED BY VCAT | VCAT GRANTED FULL ACCESS | VCAT GRANTED PART ACCESS | VCAT REFUSED ACCESS | OTHER** |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|
| State Trustees | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Treasury and Finance, Dept. of | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| VicRoads | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Victoria Legal Aid | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Victoria Police | 15 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| Victorian WorkCover Authority | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wangaratta District Base Hospital | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Wodonga, City of | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Yarra Ranges Shire Council | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Zoological Parks and Gardens Board | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 159 | 85 | 4 | 27 | 42 | 12 |

^{****} The column headed 'Other' covers the following situations: the applicant did not proceed with the appeal; the appeal is still to be decided; or the appeal was resolved at a stage prior to hearing to the satisfaction of the applicant.

Table 8: Exemptions & Exceptions Cited

| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION | INTERNAL REVIEW | VCAT |
|--|---|--|----------------------|
| | Section of Act | Section of Act | Section of Act |
| Alfred Hospital, The | [No. of times cited] 33(1) [1], 35(1)(b) [1] | [No. of times cited] 33(1) [1], 35(1)(b) [1] | [No. of times cited] |
| Alpine Shire | 25(a) [1] | 33(1)[1], 33(1)(0)[1] | |
| Angliss Health Service | 33(1) [2] | | |
| Austin & Repatriation Medical Centre | 35(1) [1] | | |
| Australian Dried Fruits Board | | | |
| Australian Grand Prix Corporation | 33 [1], 34(4) [1], 38 [1] | | |
| Ballarat City Council | 32 [5], 38(a) [1] | 32 [1] | |
| Ballarat Health Services | 33(1) [1] | 38 [1] | |
| Banyule City Council | 30(1)(a) [2], 30(1)(b) [2], 33(1) [3], 34(1)(a) [2], 34(1)(b) [1], 31(1)(a) [1], 36(2)(b) [2] | 30(1)(a) [1], 30(1)(b) [1], 31(1)(a) [1], 33(1) [2], 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [1], 36(2)(b) [1], | |
| Barwon Health | 33(3) [1] | | |
| Baw Baw Shire Council | 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [1], 38A(1)(a) [1], 38A(1)(c) [1], 24(1) [1] | 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [1], 38A(1)(a) [1], 38A(1)(c) [1] | |
| Bayside City Council | 25A [1], 25A(5) [1], 30(1) [1], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [2], 34 [1], 35(1)(b) [1], 38A [1] | 25A [1], 25A(5) [1], 30(1) [1], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [2], 34 [1], 35(1)(b) [1], 38A [1] | |
| Board of Studies | | 33(1) [1], 34(1)(a) [1], | |
| Boroondara City Council | 30(1) [2], 32 [1], 33 [2], 33(1) [1], 34(1) [1], 35 [1] | 25 [1], 30(1) [2], 32 [1], 33 [2], 33(1) [1], 34 (1) [1], 35 [1] | |
| Casey, City of | 33 [2], 35 [1] | 33 [1], 35 [1] | - |
| City West Water Limited | 25(4)(2) [4] | 34(4)(a) [1] | 34(4)(a) [1] |
| Cobaw Community Health Service Colac Otway Shire Council | 35(1)(a) [1] 34 [1] | 34 [1] | |
| Corangamite Shire Council | 34[1] | 34 [1] | |
| Council of Adult Education | | | |
| Country Fire Authority | 25A(1) [7], 25A(5) [2], 30(1) [12], 31(1)(a) [1], 32(1) [2], 33(1) [5], 34(1)(a) [3], 34(1)(b) [5], 34(4)(a) [7], 35(1)(b) [563] | 25A(1) [4], 25A(5) [1], 30(1) [8], 31(1)(a) [1], 32(1) [2], 33(1) [4], 34(1)(a) [2], 34(1)(b) [3], 34(4)(a) [4], 35(1)(b) [1] | |
| Darebin City Council | 30(1) [1], 35(1) [1] | | |

| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION Section of Act [No. of times cited] | INTERNAL REVIEW Section of Act [No. of times cited] | VCAT Section of Act [No. of times cited] |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| East Gippsland Shire Council | 33 [1], 34[1] | | |
| East Wimmera Health Service | 33 [1] | | |
| Education, Department of | 28(1)(b) [1], 30(1) [13], 31(1)(a) [2], 32(1) [10], 33(1) [41], 33(4) [3], 34(1)(a) [4], 34(4)(a)(i) [1], 35(1)(b) [14], 38 [9] | 28 [1], 30(1) [7], 31(1)(c) [1], 32(1) [4], 33(1) [9], 34(4) [1], 35(1)(b) [5], 38 [1] | 30(1) [1], 31(1)(a) [1], 35(1)(b) [1], 33(1) [1], 38 [1] |
| Energy Efficiency Victoria | 34(1) [2] | | |
| Environment Protection Authority | 25A(5) [2], 30(1)[9], 31(1)(c) [9], 33(1) [9], 34(1)(a) [2], 34(1)(b)[2], 35(1)(b) [8] | 30(1) [4] | |
| Equal Opportunity Commission Victoria | 35(1)(b) [2], 38(1) [4] | 35(1)(b) [2], 38(1) [4] | |
| Frankston City Council | 38A [2], 33(1) [1], 35(1)(b) [1], 31(1)(a) [1] | 38A [1] | |
| Gannawarra Shire Council | | | |
| Glen Eira City Council | 33(1) [2], 25(1) [1], 30(1)(a) [2] | | |
| Glenelg Shire Council | 34(1)(b) [1] | 34(1)(b) [1] | |
| Greater Bendigo City Council | 34(1)(a) [1], 35(1)(b) [1] | 36(1)(b) [1] | |
| Greater Dandenong City Council | 33 [1], 31(1)(c) [4], 35(1)(b) [4] | | |
| Greater Geelong City Council | 30(1) [1], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [1] | | |
| | 33(1) [3] | | |
| Hepburn Shire Council | 35(1)(a) [1], 30 [1] | | |
| Hobsons Bay City Council | | | 32 [1] |
| | 28(1)(b)(a) [1], | 35(1)(b) [9], 38 [8], 39 [2] | 25(a)(5) [1], 28(1) [1], 29 [1], 30(1) [4], 31(1)(c) [5], 32 [2], 32(1) [1], 33 [1], 33(1) [4], 34 [1], 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [2], 34(4)(a)(ii) [1], 35 [1], 35(1)(a) [1], 35(1)(b) [4], 36 [1], 36(1)(b) [1], 38 [4], 39 [1] |

| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION Section of Act [No. of times cited] | INTERNAL REVIEW Section of Act [No. of times cited] | VCAT Section of Act [No. of times cited] |
|---|---|--|---|
| Hume City Council | 25 [1], 30 [1], 33 [1], 34 [3] | | |
| Infrastructure, Department of | 28(1)(b) [2], 30(1) [9], 31(1)(b) [1], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [14], 34(1)(a) [6], 34(1)(b) [2] | 30(1) [1], 33(1) [1] | 34(1)(a) [1] |
| Justice, Department of | [2], 28(1)(ba) [1], | 28(1)(ba) [1], 28(1)(c) [1], 30(1) [4], 33(1) [1], 35(1)(b) [1], 38 [1], 27(2)(b) [1] | |
| Knox City Council | 31 [1], 32 [1], 33 [1], 35 [1] | | |
| La Trobe Regional Hospital | 33(1) [18], 35(1)b [7] | 33(4) [1] | |
| La Trobe Shire Council | 31(1)(c) [1], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [3], 34(1)(b) [2], 35(1)(b) [1], 38 [1], 38A(1) [3] | 38A(1)(a) [1] | |
| Manningham City Council | 33 [1], 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [1], 32 [1] | 33 [1], 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [1] | |
| Maroondah City Council | 30 [1], 32 [1], 34 [1], 35 [1], 38 [1] | 30 [1] | |
| Maroondah Hospital | 33(1) [4] | 33(1) [2] | 33(1) [1] |
| Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria | 30(1) [4], 31(1)(a) [5], 33 [1], 35(1)(b) [7] | | |
| Melbourne and Olympic Parks Trust | 33(1) [1], 25A(1) [2] | 33(1) [1] | |
| Melbourne City Council | 30(1) [3], 31(1) [5], 32(1) [4], 33(1) [3], 34(1)(a)&(b) [6], 35(1)(b) [2], 38(1) [1] | 30(1) [1], 31(1) [3], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [2], 34(1)(a)&(b) [1], 35(1)(b) [1], 38(1) [1] | |
| Melbourne City Link Authority | 30(1) [1] | | |
| Melbourne Market Authority | 31 [1], 25A [1] | 31(1) [1] | |
| Melbourne Port Corporation | 25(A) [4], 30(1) [1], 34(1)(a) [3], 34(1)(b) [3], 34(4)(a)(ii) [3], 34(2) [1] | 25(A) [4], 34(1)(a) [2], 34(1)(b) [2], 34(4)(a)(ii) [2], 34(2) [1] | 34(1)(a) [3], 34(1)(b) [2], 34(4)(a)(ii) [4], 34(2) [1], 32 [6] |
| Melbourne Water Corporation | 32(1) [1], 24A [1] | | |
| Melton Shire Council | 30(1) [1], 34(1) [1], 34(4) [1], 36(2)(a) [1] | 30(1) [1], 34(1) [1], 34(4) [1], 36(2)(a) [1] | |
| Mercy Hospital for Women | 31(1)(e) [1], 33(4) [1] | | |

| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION Section of Act [No. of times cited] | INTERNAL REVIEW Section of Act [No. of times cited] | VCAT Section of Act [No. of times cited] |
|---|--|---|---|
| Metropolitan Ambulance Service | 32(1) [1], 33(1) [1], 34(1) [1], 34(4) [1], 30(1) [1] | 32(1) [3], 33(1) [2], 34(1) [2], 34(4) [2], 30(1) [2] | |
| Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board | 35(1)(a)(b) [2], 34(3)(a)(b) [1] | 30(1) [5], 35(1)(b) [2], 34(3) [1] | |
| Mildura Base Hospital | 33(1) [1] | | |
| Moira Shire Council | 38A(1)(a) [1], 38A(1)(b) [2], 27A(a)(b) [1] | | |
| Monash City Council | 35(1)(b) [1] | | |
| Monash University | 25A(1) [2], 32(1) [3], 33(1) [5], 35(1)(a) [2], 36(1)(b) [2] | | |
| Moonee Valley City Council | 25A [7], 30(1) [1], 31 [2], 33(1) [10], 34 [3], 35(1)(b) [6] | 33(1) [1], 35(1)(b) [1] | 33(1) [2] |
| Moreland City Council | 38A(1)(a) [1], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [1], 34(1) [1], 30(1) [1] | | |
| Mornington Peninsula Shire Council | 34(1)(a) [4], 38A(1)(a) [3], 38A(1)(b) [1], 38A(1)(c) [1], 38A(1)(d) [1], 38A(1)(e) [1], 30(1)(a) [2], 32(1) [2] | | |
| Mount Alexander Shire Council | 31 [1] | | |
| Moyne Shire Council | 30(1) [1], 32(1) [1], 34(1) [1], 35(1)(b) [1], 36(1) [1] | | |
| Murrindindi Shire Council | 31(1)(c) [1], 35(1)(a) [1] | 31(1)(c) [1] | |
| Natural Resources and Environment, Dept. of | [2], 31(1)(a) [1], 32(1) [4], 33(1) [21] 34(1) | [10], 31(1)(c) [1], 32(1) | 28(1)(b) [1], 28(1)(ba) [1], 30(1) [2], 33(1) [2], 34(1) [3], 34(4) [1] |
| Northern Hospital, The | 33(1) [6] | | |
| Centre | 33(4) [1], 35(1)(b) [1] | | |
| Peninsula Health Care Network | 33(1) [7], 33(1)(c) [2], 33(1)(e) [2], 32(1) [1] | 32(1) [1], 33(1) [1], 31(1)(c) [1], 31(1)(e) [1] | |
| Plumbing Industry Commission | 31(1)(b) [3] | | |
| Port Phillip City Council | 30(1) [2], 31(1)(b)[2], 32(1)[2], 33(1) [4], 34(1)(a)[1] | 30(1) [1], 31(1)(b) [1], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [1] | |

| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION Section of Act | INTERNAL REVIEW Section of Act | VCAT Section of Act |
|--|--|---|-------------------------------|
| | [No. of times cited] | [No. of times cited] | [No. of times cited] |
| Portland & District Hospital | 33(1) [1] | 33(1) [1] | |
| Premier & Cabinet, Department of | 29 [1], 34 [3], 30 [5], 33 [5], 28 [2] | 30 [2] | |
| Public Transport Corporation | 30(1) [4], 31(1) [3], 32(1) [10], 33(1) [9], 34(1)(a) [5], 34(4)(a) [2] | 30(1) [1], 33(1) [2] | |
| Registered Schools Board | 30(1) [1], 31(1) [1], 32(1) [1], 35(1)(b) [1] | | |
| Regulator-General, Office of the | 34(1) [1], 34(a)(1) [1], 34(b)(1) [1] | | |
| RMIT | 35 [3] | | |
| Royal Children's Hospital | 33(1) [16], 35(1)(a) [4] | 35(1)(a) [1] | |
| St Vincent's Hospital | 33(1) [3] | | |
| South Gippsland Shire Council | 32(1) [1] | | |
| Southern Health Care Network | 33(1) [22], 30(1) [1], 35(1) [33], 25A [1], 33(4) [3] | 33(1) [2], 30(1) [2], 35(1) [2], 25A [2], 33(4) [2] | |
| State Development, Department of | | 28(1) [1], 33(1) [1], 34(1)(a) [3], 34(1)(b) [2], 34(4)(a) [2], 36(1)(a) [1] | 34(1)(a) [1], 34(4)(a) [1] |
| State Electricity Commission of Victoria | 32(1) [3], 33(1) [7] | | |
| State Revenue Office | 25A(5) [11], 29(a) [1], 30(1) [30], 31(1)(a) [4], 31(1)(d)[2], 32(1) [22], 33(1) [10], 34(1)(a)[2], 34(1)(b) [3], 35(1)(b) [8], 37(1)(b) [1], 38 [13] | 30(1) [24], 31(1)(a) [4], 31(1)(d)[2], 32(1) [14], 33(1) [17], 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [2], | |
| State Trustees | 30(1) [15], 31(1)(c) [15], 32(1) [1]; 33(1) [9]; 35(1) [9]; 39 [5] | 31(1) [1], 32(1) [1]; 30(1) [1], 33(1) [2]; 35(1) [1]; | |
| Stonnington City Council | 30(1)(a) [1], 33 [2], 38 [1] | | |
| Swan Hill Rural City Council | 30(1) [1]; 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [1] | 30(1) [1]; 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [1] | |
| Swinburne University of Technology | 33(1) [1], 35(1)(b) [1] | | |

| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION Section of Act [No. of times cited] | INTERNAL REVIEW Section of Act [No. of times cited] | VCAT Section of Act [No. of times cited] |
|---|--|--|--|
| Tourism Victoria | 25(A) | | |
| Transport Accident Commission | 31(1)(d)[17], 31(1)(e)[17], 32(1)[129], 33(1)[112], 33(4)[2], 34(1)(a)[5], 34(1)(b)[5], 34(4)(a)[1], 34(4)(b) [2], 35(1)(a)[64], 35(1)(b)[64], 38[194] | 30(1)(a) [2], 31(1)(c) [2], 31(1)(d) [2], 31(1)(e) [2], 32(1) [6], 33(1) [4], 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) [1], 38 [5] | |
| Treasury and Finance, Department of | 34(1)(a) [4], 34(1)(b) [4] | 29 [1], 30 [2], 33 [2], 34(4) [4] | 28 [3], 30 [5], 33 [3], 34(1)(a) [4], 34(1)(b) [4] |
| Trust for Nature Victoria | 30(1) [1], 30(1)(b) [1], 32(1) [2], 33(6) [1], 34(4)(a) [3] | | |
| University of Melbourne | 30(1) [3], 31(1) [1], 33(1) [7], 34(1)(a) [1], 34(4)(a) [1], 35(1) [4] | | |
| Urban Land Corporation | 30 (1) [1], 34(1) [1], 35(1) [1] | | |
| Veterinary Practitioners Registration Board of Victoria | 30(1) [1] | | |
| VicRoads | 31(1)(b) [1], 31(1)(c) | 31(1)(c) & (d) [1], 38 [1], 31(1) [2], 31(1)(a) [2] | |
| Victoria Legal Aid | 32(1) [2], 31 [2], 25A [1], 33(1) [2] | 32(1) [1], 31 [1], 33(1) [2] | 32(1) [1], 31 [1], 33(1) [2] |
| | 25(A)(1) [5], 29(a) [1], 29(b) [2], 30(1) [84], 31(1)(a) [49], 31(1)(b) [61], 31(1)(c) [33], 31(1)(d) [44], 31(1)(e) [3], 32(1) [7], 33(1) [727], 33(4) [1], 33(6) [7], 34(1)(a) [2], 34(4)(c) [2], 35(1)(a) [1], 35(1)(b) [91], 38 [90] | 33(1) [17], 35(1)(b) | 31(1)(c) [2], 35(1)(b) [8], 33(1) [8], 38 [2], 31(1)(d) [3], 30(1)(a)&(b) [5], 29 [2], 32(1) [2] |
| Victoria State Emergency Service | 33(1) [1] | 22(4) [4] 25(2) [2] | |
| Victoria University of Technology | 33(1) [1], 35(2) [2], 35(1)(a) [2] | 33(1) [1], 35(2) [2], 35(1)(a) [2] | |

| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION | INTERNAL REVIEW | VCAT |
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| | Section of Act [No. of times cited] | Section of Act [No. of times cited] | Section of Act [No. of times cited] |
| Victorian Casino and Gaming | 25A(1) [2], 31(1) [1], | 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) | [No. or times cited] |
| Authority | | [1], 38 [1] | |
| Authority | [4] | [1], 30 [1] | |
| Victorian Dairy Industry Authority | 33 (1) [1], 34 (1) [1], | | |
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| Victorian Superannuation Board | 32(1) [1] | | |
| Victorian WorkCover Authority | 30(1)(a)&(b) [43], | 28(1) [1], 30(1) [3], | |
| | 31(1)(a) [20], 31(1)(c) | 31(1)(a) [2], 31(1)(d) | |
| | [1], 31(1)(d] [2], 32(1) | [1], 32(1) [1], 33(1) [1], | |
| | [50], 33(1) [20], | 34(1)(a) [2], 34(1)(b) | |
| | 34(1)(a) [2], 34(1)(b) | [2], 38 [2] | |
| | [2], 35(1)(b) [1] | | |
| Wangaratta District Base Hospital | 33(4) [2] | | |
| Wangaratta, Rural City of | 33(1)(a) [2] | | |
| Warrnambool City Council | 25A [1] | | |
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| Wellington Shire Council | 30(1) [1] | | |
| Whitehorse City Council | 31(1) [1], 32(1) [1], | 38 [1], 25A(1)(a) [1], | |
| | 33(1) [2], 34(1) [2], | 32 [1], 33(1) [1] | |
| | 35(1) [2], 36(2) [1], 38 | | |
| NATI 'till a cara O'ta O cara'l | [2] | | |
| Whittlesea City Council | 35(1)(b) [3] | | |
| Williamstown Hospital | 33(1) [1] | | |
| Wodonga, City of | 30(1) [1], 32(1) [1], | 30(1) [1], 32(1) [1], | |
| Wodonga, Oky or | 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) | 34(1)(a) [1], 34(1)(b) | |
| | [1] | [1] | |
| Wonthaggi & District Hospital | 33(1) [1] | 1.1 | |
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| Yarra City Council | 30(1) [1], 32(1) [1] | | |
| Yarra Ranges Shire Council | 30(1) [1], 31(1)(c) [1], | 33 (1), 35(1)(b) [1] | |
| | 32(1) [1], 33(1) [3], | | |
| | 35(1)(b) [2] | | |
| Yarra Valley Water Limited | 34(4)(a)(ii) [1] | 34(4)(a)(ii) [1] | |
| Zoological Parks and Gardens Board | 25A(1)(a) [2], 33(1) [1], | | 25A(1)(a) [1] |
| | 34(4)(a)(ii) [1] | | |

Table 9: Names of Decision Makers

| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION MAKERS [No. of requests where access refused] | INTERNAL REVIEWERS [No. of requests where access refused] |
|---|---|--|
| Alfred Hospital, The | Dr Michael Coglin, Dr Larry Osborne: Deputy Directors of Medical Services | Dr Michael Walsh (CEO) [1] |
| Alpine Shire | Doug Sharp - Manager Citizen Services, FOI Officer | |
| Angliss Health Service | K. Papworth, FOI Officer [2] | |
| Austin & Repatriation Medical Centre | Debbie Billiet- FOI Officer & Site Co-ordinator, Health Information Services; Kym Gordon -FOI Officer; Dr Craig White - FOI Manager, Director of Clinical Services | Dr Craig White - Director of Clinical Services |
| Australian Grand Prix | Steven Wright - Business Manager [2] | |
| Ballarat City Council | lan Atkins, FOI Officer [6] | John McLean, CEO [1] |
| Ballarat Health Services | William Wallace - Executive Secretary [1], A. D Hughes - Chief Executive | A.D Hughes - Chief Executive |
| Banyule City Council | Roz Johnstone - FOI Officer [5] | Doug Owens - CEO [2] |
| Banyule Community Health Service | Jim Pasinis - CEO; Dr John Croatto - Senior Medical Practitioner | |
| Barwon Health | Dr R Fawcett - Manager Clinical Resource Unit [1]; Dr J Gallicho - Director Clincial Services; Dr T Callaly - Chief of Service (Psychiatry); Dr P Mestitz - Consultant Specialist (Clincial Resource Unit); Dr R Malon - Director Sub-Acute Clinical Medical Services | Brian Robinson - Chairman [4] |
| Barwon Region Water Authority | Grant Green - FOI Manager | |
| Baw Baw Shire Council | Robyn D'Arcy - Records & FOI Officer [1] | John Dyer - CEO [1] |
| Bayside City Council | Brian Duffy - Council Business Manager [1]; Russell McMurray - Regulatory Manager [2]; | Peter Akers - Chief Executive Officer [3] |
| Benalla & District Memorial Hospital | Ray Sweeney - Chief Executive [2] | |
| Bendigo Community Health Services | Ms Dee Watson [0] | Dr C Daw [0] |
| Bendigo Hospital Campus, Bendigo Health Care Group | Dr John Ferguson - Executive Director of Acute Health Services | |
| Board of Studies | Jennie Wong - FOI Officer [4]; Janice Sapsford - FOI Officer [2] | Meredith Nolte - Senior Project Manager Curriculum & Standards Framework [2] |
| Boroondara City Council | David Thompson - Coordiantor Governance [2]; Bernadette Wood - Governance Projects Officer [1] | Michael Kennedy - CEO [2]; John Nevins - Director Strategic Management & Support [1] |
| Box Hill Hospital | Dr Peter Sloan; Dr Patricia Molloy | |
| Brimbank City Council | Doug Loney - FOI Officer | |
| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION MAKERS [No. of requests where access refused] | INTERNAL REVIEWERS [No. of requests where access refused] |

| Cardinia Shire Council | David Roff - General Manager | |
|--|---|--|
| | Corporate Services | |
| Casey, City of | Rob Pedder - FOI Officer [2] | Mike Tyler - CEO [1] |
| Caulfield General Medical Centre | Dr R McLellan - Medical Administrator | Mr John Davies - CEO |
| Central Gippsland Region Water Authority | Peter Quigley - Business Services Manager | Geoff Hocking - Authority Secretary |
| City West Water Limited | Andrew Jessop - FOI Officer [1] | lan Le Noury - Company Secretary [1] |
| Cobaw Community Health Service | Alan Taylor - CEO [1] | |
| Colac Community Health Services | Ros Koop - Health Information Manager [0]; Gillian Neale - Administration Manager [0]; | |
| Colac Otway Shire Council | Merv Hair - General Manager Corporate Services [1] | Glenn Patterson - CEO [1] |
| Country Fire Authority | Helen Madgwick - Manager, Management Support [570]; Roz Long - FOI Officer [1] | Len Foster - Executive Chairman [21] |
| Darebin Community Health Service Inc. | P Mathison - FOI Officer [1] | |
| Darebin, City of | Lance de Blaquiere - FOI Officer [2] | |
| Delatite Shire Council | | |
| Dental Board of Victoria Department of Human Services | Dr Vincent Amerena - Registrar Head Office: | Helen Clarke - Manager, |
| | Warren McCann - Principal Officer; Alex Cole - Manager FOI; David Jenkin, Michelle Grech, Maxine Hand, Stuart Atkins, Ina Mikelsons, Sally Yeoland - FOI Officers; Barwon-South, Western Region: Tony Norman - Manager, Corporate Services; Gippsland Region: Richard Teychenne - Manager, Corporate Services; Grampians Region: Steven Jones - Manager, Corporate Services; Geradine Christou - Manager, Corporate Services; Hume Region: Chris Garratt - Manager, Corporate Services; Hugh Crook - Manager, Corporate Services; Lodden-Mallee Region: David Mulquiney - Manager, Corporate Services; David Cay - Manager, Corporate Services; Southern Metropolitan Region: Graham Downs - Manager, Corporate Services; Western Metropolitan Region: Wayne Fleming - Manager, Corporate Services; David Hoare - Manager, Corporate Services; Northern Metropolitan Region: John Chaplain - Manager, Corporate Services; Rorporate Services; Eastern Metropolitan Region | Secretariat; Graham Morris - Assistant Director, Legal Services; |
| Djerriwarrh Health Services | Dr E Davis - Director Medical Services; Mr Bruce Marshall - Chief Executive Offcer; G Cairns | |

| | - FOI Officer; | |
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| Docklands Authority | Don Coulson - FOI Officer [0]; | |
| East Gippsland Shire Council | Joanne Pleydell - Manager Information Services | Phil Davies - Contract Manager |
| East Wimmera Health Service | Shane Molloy - CEO; Dr John Ferguson - Medical Officer; | |
| East Wimmera Health Service | Shane Molloy - CEO; Dr John Ferguson - Medical Officer; | |
| Education, Dept. of | Neil Morrow - Manager FOI [8]; Anne Arnold - Assistant Manager FOI [5]; | Tony Ayres - Curriculum Officer, Curriculum Services; Peter Dedrick - Manager, Administrative & Ministerial Services; Geoff Head - Manager, Standards Council of the Teaching Profession; Jan Heath - Manager, School Staffing; Andrew lus - Group Manager, International Education & Marketing [2]; Ken Lynch - Manager, Workforce Planning & Management; Janet Mattiske - Manager, Facilities; Lyn Place - Manager, Vocational Education in Schools; John Russell - Manager, International Education & Marketing; Maurice Wenn - Manager, External Relations; Paul White - AGM, Research & Monitoring; |
| Emergency Services Superannuation | John Soumprou - Office Services | Graham Dunstan - Chief |
| Scheme | Manager | Executive Officer |
| Energy Efficiency Victoria | Peter Jenkins - Manager Administration [2] | Keith Fitzmaurice - General Manager |
| Environment Conservation Council | Geoff Blackman - Administrative Officer | Professor John Lovering - Chairman of Council |
| Environment Protection Authority | Wayne Sanderson - Secretary [41] | |
| Equal Opportunity Commission Victoria | Greg Manning - Senior Legal Officer [5], Penny Dedes - Legal Officer [1] | Virginia Rogers - Chairperson [2] |
| Far East Gippsland Health & Support Service | Wayne Howlett - Administration Officer | |
| Frankston City Council | Graham Davies - FOI Officer [4]; | Jon Edwards - CEO [1]; |
| Glen Eira City Council | Helen Blaich - Records Coordinator/ FOI Officer | Margaret Douglas - Chief Executive Officer |
| Glenelg Shire Council | Anne Moore - FOI Officer | Danny Halstead - CEO |
| Goulburn Valley Health | Dr N Leslie - Assistant Director of Medical Services | |
| Greater Bendigo City Council | Barry Secombe [2] | Hadley Sides [1] |
| Greater Dandenong City Council | David Zmood - Records Co- ordinator [2]; Lisa Batten - Senior Records Officer [2], Michael Tonta - Manager Council Business [2] | |
| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION MAKERS [No. of requests where access refused] | INTERNAL REVIEWERS [No. of requests where access refused] |
| Greater Geelong City Council | Tom Henderson - Records/FOI Coordinator | Geoff Whitbread - CEO |
| Greater Shepparton City Council | Sue Thomas - FOI Officer | Bill Jaboor - CEO |
| Greyhound Racing Victoria | Corey McDonald - Assistant to Racing Operations Manager / FOI Officer | |

| Health Services Commissioner | Beth Wilson - Health Services Commissioner | |
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| Hepburn Health Service | Dr Fred Eggleston | |
| Hepburn Shire Council | Richard Rundle - Director Corporate Services [1] | |
| Hesse Rural Health Service | Peter Birkett - Chief Executive Officer; Ann Davis - Director of Nursing; | |
| Hobsons Bay City Council | Ken McNamara - Chief Executive Officer | |
| Horsham Rural City Council | Kerryn Shade - CEO; Catheryn Allen - FOI Officer; | |
| Hume City Council | Jim Groves - FOI Officer; | Wayne Harvey - Director Corporate Services |
| Infrastructure, Department of | Don Coulson - FOI Manager [29]; Ken Gurney - Acting FOI Manager; Gail Upton - FOI Officer, Officer of Major Projects; | |
| Inner South Community Health Services | Maureen Williams - Manager; Kathy Wilson - CEO; | Deb Hopwood - Manager; Robb Chaplin - Manager; Karen Sait - Manger; Jeff Scotte - Manager; |
| ISIS Primary Care | Terry O'Bryan - Chief Executive Officer | |
| Justice, Department of | Kathy Maikousis - Acting FOI Manager [3]; Jennifer Chamberlin - Assistant Secretary, Executive Sevices [5]; | Peter Harmsworth - Secretary [2]; John Henry- Legal Officer [1]; Adam Levy - Legal Officer [1]; John Richardson - Director Corporate Resources; |
| Kerang & District Hospital | Dr Paul Francis - Consultant, Director of Medical Services | |
| Knox City Council | Tracie Montebello - Acting Manger of Records | Rodney McKay - Principal FOI Officer, Manager, Administrative Support |
| Kyabram and District Memorial Hospital | Sue Balfour - Health Information Manager, Principal FOI Officer; Dr Paul Francis - Sessional Director of Medical Services | |
| La Trobe Regional Hospital | · | Dr David Fromby - Director of Medical Services; Dr S Damadoran - Director of Clinical Services; Dr H Das - Director of Clinical Services; |
| La Trobe Shire Council | P Buckley - Group Manager Corporate Services [5]; M Brady - Administration Manager [7] | P Holloway - Chief Executive Officer [1] |
| Lyndoch Warrnambool Inc. | Helen Bacon - Director of Business Services [0]; | |
| Macedon Ranges Shire Council | Stephen Mahon - Manager, Council & Customer Services [0]; | Prue Mansfield - Chief Executive Officer [0]; |
| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION MAKERS [No. of requests where access refused] | INTERNAL REVIEWERS [No. of requests where access refused] |
| Mallee Track Health and Community Service | Lindsay Lynch - Chief Executive Officer [0]; Val Munro - Business Manager [0]; | |
| Manningham City Council | George Nantes - FOI Liaison Officer [3] | B Seiffert - CEO [1]; B Douglas - Director, Infrastructure [1]; |
| Maribyrnong City Council | Rod Biggs - FOI Officer [0]; | |
| Marine Board of Victoria | Don Coulson [0]; | |

| Maroondah City Council | Stephen Onans [1]; Peter Tully [1]; | Paul Roche - Director [1]; |
|---|---|--|
| Maroondah Hospital | Kristella Ligthart - Health Information Manager; Dr Cris Mileshkin - Director of Psychology [4]; Dr Mandi Ling - Medical Director; Donna Pascoe - Acting Chief Health Information Manager; | Kristella Ligthart - Health Information Manager; Dr Cris Mileshkin - Director of Psychology; Mr Peter Wallace - CEO; Mr Ross Lucas - Executive Director, Psychology; Dr Mandi Ling - Medical Director; Donna Pascoe - Acting Chief Health Information Manager; [2] |
| Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria | | |
| Melbourne and Olympic Parks Trust | Jim Hammer - General Manager, Corporate Services [3]; | Gareth James - CEO [1] |
| Melbourne City Council | Paul O'Brien - Governance Services Officer [3]; Peter Norris - Corporate Solicitor [0] | Alison Lyon - Manager Governance Services [5] |
| Melbourne City Link Authority | Don Coulson - FOI Officer [1]; | |
| Melbourne Extended Care & Rehabilitation Service | Dr Peter Lynch - Director, Western Aged Care/ Chief Medical Officer [0]; | |
| Melbourne Market Authority | Yogi Pillay [1]; Jan Webb [1]; | Jan Webb [1] |
| Melbourne Port Corporation | Tania Ots - Manager Corporate Services [9] | Jeffrey Gilbert - CEO [8] |
| Melbourne Water Corporation | Jane Denton - FOI Officer; | |
| Melbourne, University of | Mr J B Potter - Registrar | |
| Melton Shire Council | Warren Regan - FOI Officer [2]; | Adrian Pennell - CEO [2]; |
| Mercy Hospital for Women | Dr Michael Sedgley - Quality Coordinator, Medical [1] | Therese Samson - CEO, Mercy Hospital for Women; |
| Metropolitan Ambulance Service | David Lescon - Manager, Customer Liaison / FOI; | Mike McCarthy - Manager, Finance & Administration; |
| Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board | Jan Smith [8] | Bob Solly -CEO [8] |
| Mildura Base Hospital | Mr S Duckett; Dr P Talbot; [1] | Mr S Duckett |
| Mildura Rural City Council | Max Polwarth - FOI Officer, Director of Client Services [0]; | Leonie Burrows - CEO [0]; |
| Mitchell Shire Council | Garry Cecil - CEO; | |
| Moira Shire Council | Bev Bell - Records & FOI Officer [3]; | Gavin Cator - CEO [0]; |
| Monash City Council | Keith Williamson - Manager Corporate Administration, Authorised FOI Officer [1]; | David Conran - CEO, Principal Officer [0]; |
| Monash University | Phillip Siggins - Manager, University Sercretariat [5]; | Professor D A Robinson - Vice- Chancellor and President [0]; |
| Moonee Valley City Council | Ray McQuillan - Executive Manager Corporate Support [12]; | Lindsay Merritt - CEO [1]; |
| Moreland City Council | Jo Lindley - FOI Officer [4]; | |
| Mornington Peninsula Shire Council | Leigh Oldmeadow - FOI Officer | |
| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION MAKERS [No. of requests where access refused] | INTERNAL REVIEWERS [No. of requests where access refused] |
| Mount Alexander Shire Council | Mr I Gilbert - CEO [1]; Mrs M Allan - Executive Assistant [0]; | |
| Moyne Shire Council | Geoff Price - FOI Officer [1] | Graham Shiell - CEO [0]; |
| Murrindindi Shire Council | D Hogan - Director Corporate Services [1]; | J F Walsh - CEO [1]; |
| Natural Resources and Environment, Department of | Deidre Egan - Manager Legal and Secretariat Support; David McCullough - FOI Officer; | Michael Taylor - Secretary; |

| Northern Hospital, The | Dr Vohra - Medical & Surgical; Dr Garwood - Psychiatry [5]; Dr Wilkins - Psychiatry [1]; | Dr Hamley; Dr Lambert |
|--|--|---|
| Nowa Nowa Community Health Centre | Judy Clarke - CEO [1]; | |
| Nurses Board of Victoria | Rosemary Peisley - FOI Officer; | Professor Bennett - Chairperson; |
| Peninsula Health Care Network | Dr Eleanor Flynn - Director of Clincial Services [2]; Dr Peter Bradford - Director of Clinical Services [5]; Mr Chris Fox - Chief Executive (Principal Officer) [1]; | Mr Chris Fox - Chief Executive (Principal Officer) [1] |
| Plumbing Industry Commission | Don Coulson - FOI Officer [3]; | Ken Dare [0]; |
| Port Phillip City Council | Catherine Hayes - Team Leader Statutory Functions [30]; Bruce McKeon - Manager Property & Regulartory Services [30]; | Anne Dunn - CEO [3] |
| Portland & District Hospital | Toni Young - FOI Officer [1] | John Amery - CEO [1] |
| Premier & Cabinet, Department of | Shannon Dellamarta - Secretariat Officer [7]; Stacey Robertson - Secretariat Officer [3]; Sharne Bryan - FOI Officer [1]; | Don Frayne - Legal Adviser [1]; Justin Oliver - Legal Adviser [1]; David Forbes - Senior Legal Officer [1] |
| Public Transport Corporation | Don Coulson - FOI Officer [21]; | Tony Sabatino [1]; Geraldine Sharman [1]; |
| Pyrenees Shire Council | E Collins - Corporate Services Manager, FOI Officer [0] | K B Kiley - CEO [0]; |
| Registered Schools Board | Neil Morrow - Manager, FOI [1] | |
| Regulator-General, Office of the | Andrew Laing - Corporate Services | |
| RMIT | John Lambrick [2]; Amanda Way [1]; | David Beanland [1] |
| Rochester & Elmore District Health Service | Mr Graeme W Kelly - CEO, Director of Nursing | |
| Royal Children's Hospital | Fiona Sangar - FOI Officer | Dr Ian McIntyre - Medical Legal Officer |
| Royal Dental Hospital of Melbourne | Dr Deborah Cole - Director, Dental Hospital; Rachel Murphy - FOI Officer; | |
| Royal Melbourne Hospital | Dr Jenny Bartlett - Director Hospital Operators / Chief Medical Officer [0]; Cassie Izzard - Patient Advocate [0]; | |
| Royal Women's Hospital | Professor Roger Pepperell - Medico-Legal Officer; | |
| South Gippsland Shire Council | Cam Abood - Records Coordinator & FOI Officer [1]; | |
| South Gippsland Shire Council | Cam Abood - Records Coordinator & FOI Officer | |
| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION MAKERS [No. of requests where access refused] | INTERNAL REVIEWERS [No. of requests where access refused] |
| Southern Health Care Network | Chrisanne St Clair - FOI Coordinator; Dr Andrew Stocky - Director, Adult Psychiatry; Professor J Kuikarni - Director of Psychiatry; | Judith Dwyer - CEO, Southern Health Care Network; |
| St George's Health Service | Dr Jennifer Brown - Director of Medical Services; Dr Ron Scholes - Director of Aged Care Services; | |

| St Vincent's Hospital | Dr Nimalan Nadajah: July-August 98; Dr Andrew Wei: September- October 1998; Dr Robert Chen: October-June 1999 | Dr Clive Wellington - CEO |
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| State Development, Department of | Olivia Chapple - Manager, FOI [1], Diana Tremigliozzi - Acting Manager, FOI [9]; | Dale Seymour - Director, Executive Officer [5] |
| State Electricity Commission of Victoria | John Cudmore - FOI Officer [16] | Graham Brooke - Administrator (Principal Officer) |
| State Emergency Service, Victoria | Richard Adams - Acting Director Corporate Services; Domenic Iacopino - Acting Director Corporate Services; Richard Scott - Staff Officer; John Glass - Project Officer; | |
| State Library of Victoria | Frances H Awcock - CEO & State Librarian | |
| State Revenue Office | Leah Kane - Investigator [8], Elena Callipari - Senior Legal Officer [15]; Andrew Barrah - Legal Officer [28]; Aspasia Georgiou - Director, Legal [3]; James Hall - Senior Legal Officer [1]; Azad Raheem - Senior Legal Officer [1]; James O'Halloran, Manager Investigations [2]; Warren Meekcoms - Manager, Document Assessing [1]; Steven Polites - Manager, Receivables Management [1]; | Legal Officer [8]; James Hall [4]; Eric Dyrenfurth - Senior Legal Offcier [1]; Andrew Barrah [2]; Aspasia Georgiou [2]; |
| State Trustees | Kristan Ross - FOI Officer; Garth Armstrong - General Manager of Client Services; Edwin Gill - Managing Director; | Kristan Ross [2]; Garth Armstrong [2]; Edwin Gill [2]; |
| Stonnington City Council | Patti Wenn - FOI Manager [5] | |
| Strathbogie Shire Council | Elizabeth Adams - Records Manager [0]; | |
| Swan Hill Rural City Council | Anthony Duffin - FOI Officer [1] | John R Webb - CEO [1] |
| Swinburne University of Technology | Deborah Lasky-Davison - FOI Officer | Professor J G Wallace - President & Vice Chancellor |
| Tourism Victoria | Mark Paterson | |
| Transport Accident Commission | Manager, FOI [17] | Bob Brown - FOI Review Officer [7] |
| Treasury and Finance, Department of | Karen Macdonald, Judy Ayles, Joanne Emery, Frances Pearson, Peter Carroll | Martin Stokie, Alison Coe, Mike Halstead-Lyons, David Davies, Maralyn Bengert |
| Trust for Nature Victoria | Kerrie McMahon - FOI Officer | Dr Brian Whelan - Director |
| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION MAKERS [No. of requests where access refused] | INTERNAL REVIEWERS [No. of requests where access refused] |
| Urban Land Corporation | Des Glynn; Alison Matt; | where access refuseuj |
| Veterinary Practitioners Registration Board of Victoria | Margaret Wilson - Manager, FOI; | Dr Peter Cullen - President |
| VicRoads | Jarrod Guiney - FOI Officer [24]; Freda Mandikos - FOI Offcier [7]; | Martin Pollard - Manager Legal Services [2] |
| Victoria Legal Aid | lan Campbell - FOI Manager [18] | Robert Cornall - Principle Officer [3]; Mick O'Brien - Acting Principle Officer [1]; |

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| Victoria Police | Superintendent A J Pocock [39]; Acting Superintendant Chris Penno [10]; | Assistant Commissioners: Shuey [3], Severino [2], Davis [1], Ashby [2], McDonald [2], Nancarrow [1]; Commanders: Gillett [1], Lambert [4], McGrath [2], Johnson [1], Gassner [1], Acting Commander Newton [2]; |
| Victoria State Emergency Service | Richard Adams - Acting Director Corporate Services; Domenic Iacopino - Acting Director Corporate Services; Richard Scott - Staff Officer; John Glass - Project Officer; | |
| Victoria University of Technology | Cathy Williams - Executive Officer; Ron Williamson - HR Development Officer; Geoff Turner - Manager, Personnel; Ragn Hannah - Manager Student Recruitment & Success | Terri Owen - Acting Director of Human Resources; Micheal Halls - Director Student Affairs; |
| Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority | Mr Bill Lahey - Director of Gaming and Betting [6] | |
| Victorian Dairy Industry Authority | David Loutit - CEO [2] | |
| Victorian Superannuation Board | Neil Crozier - Administrative Officer [2], Dr Lester Walton - Medical Practitioner - Principal Officer (Medical) | Robert C Welsh - Chief Executive, Principal Officer (Delegate) (Non Medical) |
| Victorian WorkCover Authority | Mr Robert Skelton - Manager, Administration [89] | Mr Graham Riches - Corporate Solicitor [2] |
| Wangaratta District Base Hospital | Dr C Davis - Director of Medical Services [1] | |
| Wangaratta, Rural City of | Wayne Wallis - General Manager, Civic Services [2] | |
| Warrnambool & District Base Hospital | Dr Peter O'Brien - Principal Medical Officer [0]; Dr Chinnasarny - Principal Medical Officer, Psychiatric Services [0]; | Mr Andrew Rowe - Principal Officer, Chief Executive Officer [0]; |
| Warrnambool City Council | Damian Goss - CEO [1], Wendy Clark - FOI Officer | |
| Wellington Shire Council | G Woodberry - Compliance Legal Officer [1] | |
| Werribee Mercy Hospital | Dr Giuseppe Garra - Director of Medical Services | |
| Western District Health Service | Gigi Schneider - Chief Health Information Manager & FOI Officer [0] | Stuart Schneider - CEO and Principal Officer [0] |
| Western Hospital | Professor John Balla - Chief Medical Officer; Dr Peter Linton - FOI & Medico/Legal Medical Officer | |
| AGENCY | INITIAL DECISION MAKERS [No. of requests where access refused] | INTERNAL REVIEWERS [No. of requests where access refused] |
| Whitehorse City Council | Bruce Manks - Manager of Civil Services | Peter Seamer - CEO |
| Whittlesea City Council | Rod Wilkinson - Director Corporate Services [0]; Angelo Mamatis - Legislative Research Officer [0] | Graeme Brennan - CEO |
| Williamstown Hospital | Dr Michael Hampton - Medical Manager; Dr William Appleton - Medical Manager; | Ms Pat Owens - General Manager |

| Wodonga, City of | Debbie MacKinlay - Governance & Business Co-ordinator [1] | Peter Marshall - CEO [1] |
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| Wonthaggi & District Hospital | C M Kilgour - FOI Officer [1] | |
| Wyndham City Council | Anna Urban - Manager Civic Services [0] | lan Robins - CEO [0] |
| Yarra City Council | | Mr Stelvio Vido - Director Corporate Resources & Enterprises [0] |
| Yarra Ranges Health Service | Elaine Travis - Director of Nursing; Dr Amanda Ling - Director of Medical Services; | |
| Yarra Ranges Shire Council | Joanne Truman - Customer Service / Project Co-ordinator [2], Neil Kilborn - FOI Officer [4]; | Robert Hauser - CEO [3] |
| Yarra Valley Water Limited | Peter Thatcher - Manager, Corporate Services [1] | Terry Swingler - General Manager, Finance & Company Secretary [1] |
| Yarrawonga District Hospital | Trevor Gowland - CEO [0] | |
| Zoological Parks & Gardens Board | Stuart Allen - Manager Administration [2] | |

Table 10: Fees and Charges

| AGENCY | | FEES | FEES | C | HARGES | | HARGES |
|---|----|----------|----------------|----|----------|----|----------|
| | СО | LLECTED | WAIVED | | LLECTED | ١ | WAIVED |
| Alfred Hospital, The | \$ | 8,000.00 | \$ 2,580.00 | \$ | 8,299.80 | \$ | 2,877.20 |
| Alpine Shire | \$ | 60.00 | \$ - | \$ | 7.00 | \$ | - |
| Angliss Health Service | \$ | 940.00 | \$ 1,220.00 | \$ | 828.00 | \$ | 96.00 |
| Austin & Repatriation Medical Centre | \$ | 2,800.00 | \$ 2,340.00 | \$ | 5,233.00 | \$ | 4,895.40 |
| Australian Grand Prix Corporation | \$ | 60.00 | \$ - | \$ | 68.40 | \$ | - |
| Ballarat City Council | \$ | 120.00 | \$ • | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | |
| Ballarat Community Health Centre | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ | 5.00 | | |
| Ballarat Health Services | \$ | 1,260.00 | \$ 940.00 | \$ | 893.00 | \$ | 552.00 |
| Banyule City Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ 80.00 | \$ | 75.30 | \$ | 106.90 |
| Banyule Community Health Service | \$ | | \$ 20.00 | \$ | | \$ | |
| Barwon Health | \$ | 4,000.00 | \$ 1,600.00 | \$ | 2,224.00 | \$ | 468.20 |
| Barwon Region Water Authority | \$ | 120.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Bass Coast Shire Council | \$ | 100.00 | \$ - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Baw Baw Shire Council | \$ | 40.00 | \$ - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Bayside City Council | \$ | 260.00 | \$ - | \$ | 22.50 | \$ | - |
| Benalla & District Memorial Hospital | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Bendigo Community Health Services Inc | \$ | 40.00 | \$ 100.00 | \$ | 187.22 | \$ | - |
| Bendigo Hospital Campus, Bendigo Health Care Group | \$ | 1,140.00 | \$ 700.00 | \$ | 1,834.10 | \$ | - |
| Board of Studies | \$ | 100.00 | \$ - | \$ | 20.80 | \$ | - |
| Boroondara City Council | \$ | 240.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ | 70.40 | \$ | - |
| Box Hill Hospital | \$ | 2,240.00 | \$ 2,300.00 | \$ | 874.00 | \$ | 542.00 |
| Brimbank City Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ | 15.00 | | |
| Campaspe Murray Community Care Inc. | \$ | 40.00 | \$ - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Cardinia Shire Council | \$ | 120.00 | \$ • | \$ | | \$ | |
| Casey, City of | \$ | 160.00 | \$ - | \$ | 745.80 | | |
| Caulfield General Medical Centre | \$ | 220.00 | \$ 200.00 | \$ | 92.60 | \$ | - |
| Central Gippsland Health Service | \$ | 600.00 | \$ 240.00 | \$ | 521.90 | \$ | 161.85 |
| Central Gippsland Institute of TAFE | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Central Gippsland Region Water Authority | \$ | 40.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Chisholm Institute of TAFE | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| City West Water Limited | \$ | 80.00 | \$ - | \$ | 6.40 | \$ | 1.20 |

| AGENCY | CO | FEES DLLECTED | , | FEES WAIVED | CHARGES | HARGES WAIVED |
|---|----|------------------|----|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Cobaw Community Health Service | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ - |
| Colac Community Health Services | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | 140.00 | \$ 25.00 | \$ 8.40 |
| Colac Otway Shire Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | - | \$ 80.00 | \$ - |
| Country Fire Authority | \$ | 11,340.00 | \$ | 1,260.00 | \$ 2,905.60 | \$ - |
| Darebin Community Health Service Inc. | \$ | - | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Darebin, City of | \$ | 320.00 | \$ | 1 | \$ 265.60 | \$ 170.00 |
| Delatite Shire Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ 295.00 |
| Dental Board of Victoria | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | | \$ 1 | \$ - |
| Djerriwarrh Health Services | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 100.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Docklands Authority | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | | \$ - | \$ - |
| East Gippsland Shire Council | \$ | 120.00 | \$ | - | \$ 120.00 | \$ - |
| East Grampians Health Service | \$ | - | \$ | 120.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| East Grampians Health Service | \$ | - | \$ | 120.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| East Wimmera Health Service | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 80.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| East Wimmera Health Service | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 80.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Education, Dept. of | \$ | 3,140.00 | \$ | 1,680.00 | \$ 1,849.00 | \$ 981.00 |
| Emergency Services Superannuation Scheme | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | 420.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Energy Efficiency Victoria | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Environment Conservation Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Environment Protection Authority | \$ | 1,940.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Equal Opportunity Commission Victoria | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 41.40 | \$ 4.00 |
| Far East Gippsland Health & Support Service | \$ | - | \$ | 300.00 | \$ - | \$ 375.00 |
| Frankston City Council | \$ | 180.00 | \$ | - | \$ 27.40 | \$ - |
| Glen Eira City Council | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ 6.00 |
| Glenelg Shire Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Goulburn Valley Health | \$ | 940.00 | \$ | 300.00 | \$ 403.80 | \$ 93.00 |
| Grampians Community Health Centre Inc. | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Greater Bendigo City Council | \$ | 200.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 10.60 | |
| Greater Dandenong City Council | \$ | 140.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Greater Geelong City Council | \$ | 220.00 | \$ | 180.00 | \$ 220.00 | \$ 180.00 |
| Greater Shepparton City Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | 80.00 | \$ 307.60 | \$ - |
| Greyhound Racing Victoria | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Harness Racing Victoria | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |

| AGENCY | СО | FEES LLECTED | FEES WAIVED | | WAIVED COLLECTED | | CHARGES WAIVED | |
|---|----|-----------------|----------------|-----------|------------------|----------|-------------------|-----------|
| Health Services Commissioner | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 50.00 | | |
| Hepburn Health Service | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Hepburn Shire Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Hesse Rural Health Service | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Hobsons Bay City Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | - | \$ | 10.60 | \$ | - |
| Horsham Rural City Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - |
| Human Services, Department of | \$ | 6,580.00 | \$ | 18,020.00 | \$ | 2,170.60 | \$ | 24,551.05 |
| Hume City Council | \$ | 120.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Indigo Shire Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Infrastructure, Department of | \$ | 2,200.00 | \$ | 780.00 | \$ | 6,800.00 | \$ | 11,000.00 |
| Inner South Community Health Services | \$ | - | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ | 300.00 |
| ISIS Primary Care | \$ | - | \$ | 180.00 | \$ | - | \$ | 180.00 |
| Justice, Department of | \$ | 1,460.00 | \$ | 1,540.00 | \$ | 1,723.60 | \$ | 1,532.80 |
| Kerang & District Hospital | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 8.60 | \$ | - |
| Kingston City Council | \$ | 220.00 | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 280.00 | \$ | 100.00 |
| Knox City Council | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 40.00 |
| Kyabram and District Memorial Hospital | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 21.00 |
| La Trobe Regional Hospital | \$ | 2,040.00 | \$ | 2,700.00 | \$ | 1,976.00 | \$ | 65.00 |
| La Trobe Shire Council | \$ | 160.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 29.60 | \$ | - |
| Loddon Shire Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Lorne Community Hospital | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Lyndoch Warrnambool Inc. | \$ | - | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ | 8.50 |
| Macedon Ranges Shire Council | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Mallee Track Health and Community Service | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ | 43.70 | | |
| Manningham City Council | \$ | 160.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 36.00 | \$ | 2.00 |
| Mansfield District Hospital | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | - |
| Maribyrnong City Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | - | \$ | 88.80 | \$ | - |
| Marine Board of Victoria | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | - | \$ | 160.00 | \$ | - |
| Maroondah City Council | \$ | 180.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 113.60 | \$ | - |
| Maroondah Hospital | \$ | 1,580.00 | \$ | 500.00 | \$ | 506.40 | \$ | 1,319.40 |
| Maryborough District Health Service | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 80.00 |
| Medical Practitioners Board | \$ | 440.00 | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 190.00 | \$ | - |
| Melbourne and Olympic Parks Trust | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ | - |

| AGENCY | СО | FEES LLECTED | , | FEES WAIVED | HARGES | HARGES WAIVED |
|--|----|-----------------|----|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Melbourne City Council | \$ | 680.00 | \$ | - | \$ 113.00 | \$ - |
| Melbourne City Link Authority | \$ | 120.00 | \$ | - | \$ 98.00 | \$ - |
| Melbourne Extended Care & Rehabilitation Service | \$ | - | \$ | 40.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Melbourne Market Authority | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | • | \$ 40.00 | \$ - |
| Melbourne Port Corporation | \$ | 260.00 | \$ | - | \$ 14.20 | \$ - |
| Melbourne Water Corporation | \$ | 240.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ 70.00 | \$ 30.00 |
| Melbourne, University of | \$ | 120.00 | \$ | 160.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Melton Shire Council | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | - | \$ 17.00 | \$ - |
| Mercy Hospital for Women | \$ | 740.00 | \$ | 600.00 | \$ 841.40 | \$ 716.20 |
| Metropolitan Ambulance Service | \$ | 11,625.00 | \$ | 975.00 | \$ - | \$ 109.00 |
| Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services | \$ | 4,100.00 | \$ | 8,440.00 | \$ 655.00 | \$ 62.00 |
| Mildura Base Hospital | \$ | 1,040.00 | \$ | - | \$ 1,619.00 | \$ - |
| Mildura Rural City Council | \$ | - | \$ | 60.00 | \$ - | \$ 64.00 |
| Mitchell Shire Council | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | - | \$ 50.00 | \$ - |
| Moira Shire Council | \$ | 160.00 | \$ | - | \$ 258.60 | \$ 4.20 |
| Monash City Council | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 80.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Monash University | \$ | 260.00 | \$ | 60.00 | \$ 167.00 | \$ 161.00 |
| Moonee Valley City Council | \$ | 280.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ 818.60 | \$ 6.60 |
| Moorabool Shire Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Moreland City Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | - | \$ 80.00 | \$ - |
| Mornington Peninsula Shire Council | \$ | 220.00 | \$ | - | \$ 7.20 | \$ 90.00 |
| Mount Alexander Hospital | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 35.00 | \$ - |
| Mount Alexander Shire Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Moyne Shire Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | - | \$ 25.00 | \$ - |
| Murrindindi Community Health Service Inc | \$ | - | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ 20.00 |
| Murrindindi Shire Council | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Natural Resources and Environment, Department of | \$ | 2,120.00 | \$ | 260.00 | \$ 821.60 | \$ 232.00 |
| Northern Grampians Shire Council | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | - | \$ 60.00 | \$ - |
| Northern Hospital, The | \$ | 2,540.00 | \$ | 1,720.00 | \$ 2,061.00 | \$ 1,974.00 |
| Northern Melbourne Institute of TAFE | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Nowa Nowa Community Health Centre | \$ | - | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ 20.00 |
| Nurses Board of Victoria | \$ | 680.00 | \$ | - | \$ 166.80 | \$ - |
| Otway Health and Community Services | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |

| AGENCY | СО | FEES LLECTED | , | FEES WAIVED | CHARGES | HARGES WAIVED |
|--|----|-----------------|----|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Peninsula Health Care Network | \$ | 1,980.00 | \$ | 1,100.00 | \$ 852.00 | \$ 494.00 |
| Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute | \$ | 580.00 | \$ | 60.00 | \$ 521.60 | \$ 0.80 |
| Plumbing Industry Board | \$ | 440.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ 497.20 | \$ 56.80 |
| Port Phillip City Council | \$ | 400.00 | \$ | 200.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Portland & District Hospital | \$ | 680.00 | \$ | 480.00 | \$ 489.00 | \$ - |
| Premier & Cabinet, Department of | \$ | 620.00 | \$ | 80.00 | \$ 62.40 | \$ - |
| Public Prosecutions, Office of | \$ | 410.00 | \$ | 410.00 | | |
| Public Transport Corporation | \$ | 1,120.00 | \$ | 240.00 | \$ 1,560.00 | \$ 1,490.00 |
| Pyrenees Shire Council | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Registered Schools Board | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ 25.00 | \$ - |
| Regulator-General, Office of the | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| RMIT | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 60.00 | \$ 23.60 | \$ - |
| Robinvale District Health Services | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ 40.00 | \$ - |
| Rochester & Elmore District Health Service | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 1.20 | |
| Royal Children's Hospital | \$ | 3,160.00 | \$ | 5,680.00 | \$ 6,260.90 | \$ 527.00 |
| Royal Melbourne Hospital | \$ | 3,780.00 | \$ | 2,840.00 | \$ 8,905.60 | \$ 5,031.60 |
| Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital | \$ | 980.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 1,374.30 | \$ - |
| Royal Women's Hospital | \$ | 1,540.00 | \$ | 1,680.00 | \$ 1,128.00 | \$ 1,672.40 |
| Rural Ambulance Victoria | \$ | 120.00 | \$ | - | \$ 180.00 | \$ - |
| Rural City of Ararat | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ 20.00 | \$ - |
| Seymour District Memorial Hospital | \$ | 20.00 | | | \$ 5.00 | \$ - |
| South East Water Limited | \$ | - | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| South Gippsland Shire Council | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | - | \$ 12.00 | \$ 2.00 |
| Southern Grampians Shire Council | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Southern Health Care Network | \$ | 9,560.00 | \$ | 10,440.00 | \$ 7,091.00 | \$ 8,378.00 |
| St George's Health Service | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ 34.40 | \$ 10.20 |
| St. Vincent's Hospital | \$ | 3,860.00 | \$ | 3,300.00 | \$ 225.60 | \$ 588.40 |
| State Development, Department of | \$ | 440.00 | \$ | - | \$ 147.80 | \$ - |
| State Electricity Commission of Victoria | \$ | 820.00 | \$ | - | \$ 850.00 | \$ - |
| State Library of Victoria | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - |
| State Revenue Office | \$ | 1,200.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 60.00 | \$ - |
| State Trustees | \$ | 400.00 | \$ | 100.00 | \$ 105.60 | \$ 26.40 |
| Stawell District Hospital | \$ | 140.00 | \$ | 140.00 | \$ 59.20 | \$ - |

| AGENCY | CO | FEES LLECTED | FEES WAIVED | CHARGES | HARGES WAIVED |
|---|----|-----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Stonnington City Council | \$ | 980.00 | \$ 80.00 | \$ 390.00 | \$ - |
| Strathbogie Shire Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Sunraysia Community Health Services | \$ | - | \$ 20.00 | \$ - | \$ 20.00 |
| Surf Coast Shire Council | \$ | 160.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Swan Hill District Hospital | \$ | 220.00 | \$ 200.00 | \$ 106.00 | \$ 37.00 |
| Swan Hill Rural City Council | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Swinburne University of Technology | \$ | - | \$ 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| The Royal Dental Hospital of Melbourne | \$ | 80.00 | \$ 480.00 | \$ 24.75 | \$ 231.85 |
| Tourism Victoria | \$ | 60.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Transport Accident Commission | \$ | 5,200.00 | \$ 1,080.00 | \$ 5,726.60 | \$ 2,069.60 |
| Treasury and Finance, Department of | \$ | 1,220.00 | \$ - | \$ 374.60 | \$ - |
| Trust for Nature Victoria | \$ | 60.00 | \$ - | \$ 439.60 | \$ - |
| Urban Land Corporation | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Veterinary Practitioners Registration Board of Victoria | \$ | 20.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 1.20 |
| VicRoads | \$ | 1,280.00 | \$ 160.00 | \$ 754.60 | \$ 1,846.40 |
| Victoria Legal Aid | \$ | 260.00 | \$ 100.00 | \$ 84.20 | \$ - |
| Victoria Police | \$ | 21,540.00 | \$ 1,620.00 | \$ 9,970.07 | \$ 174.00 |
| Victoria State Emergency Service | \$ | 260.00 | \$ - | \$ 29.70 | \$ - |
| Victoria University of Technology | \$ | 100.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ 0.60 | \$ - |
| Victorian Casino and Gaming Authority | \$ | 160.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Victorian Dairy Industry Authority | \$ | 40.00 | \$ - | \$ 19.00 | \$ - |
| Victorian Superannuation Board | \$ | 1,540.00 | \$ 260.00 | \$ 603.00 | \$ 185.00 |
| Victorian WorkCover Authority | \$ | 7,520.00 | \$ 1,740.00 | \$ 2,738.00 | \$ 1,663.00 |
| Wangaratta District Base Hospital | \$ | 280.00 | \$ 300.00 | \$ 298.00 | \$ 128.00 |
| Wangaratta, Rural City of | \$ | 60.00 | \$ - | \$ 207.00 | \$ - |
| Warrnambool & District Base Hospital | \$ | 1,280.00 | \$ 1,020.00 | \$ 517.30 | \$ 455.20 |
| Warrnambool City Council | \$ | 120.00 | \$ 20.00 | \$ - | \$ 122.00 |
| Wellington Shire Council | \$ | 40.00 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Werribee Mercy Hospital | \$ | 720.00 | \$ 340.00 | \$ 397.60 | |
| West Wimmera Health Service | \$ | 120.00 | \$ 140.00 | \$ 15.00 | \$ - |
| Western District Health Service | \$ | 240.00 | \$ - | \$ 162.30 | \$ - |
| Western Hospital | \$ | 3,940.00 | \$ 1,800.00 | \$ 5,641.20 | \$ - |
| Western Region Health Centre | \$ | - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |

| AGENCY | C | FEES OLLECTED | , | FEES WAIVED | CHARGES | _ | HARGES WAIVED |
|----------------------------------|----|------------------|----|----------------|------------------|----|------------------|
| Whitehorse City Council | \$ | 160.00 | \$ | 100.00 | \$ 143.00 | \$ | 5.00 |
| Whittlesea City Council | \$ | 160.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 9.00 | \$ | 16.40 |
| Williamstown Hospital | \$ | 300.00 | \$ | 160.00 | \$ 25.20 | \$ | 98.80 |
| Wimmera Health Care Group | \$ | 260.00 | \$ | 280.00 | \$ 166.40 | \$ | 62.00 |
| Wodonga Regional Health Service | \$ | 40.00 | \$ | 100.00 | \$ 17.20 | \$ | 25.00 |
| Wodonga, City of | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ 200.00 | \$ | - |
| Wonthaggi & District Hospital | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 40.00 | \$ - | \$ | - |
| Wyndham City Council | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | - | \$ 19.20 | \$ | - |
| Yarra City Council | \$ | 260.00 | \$ | 60.00 | \$ - | \$ | - |
| Yarra Ranges Health Service | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 120.00 | \$ 450.00 | \$ | - |
| Yarra Ranges Shire Council | \$ | 400.00 | \$ | 80.00 | \$ 88.80 | \$ | 172.00 |
| Yarra Valley Water Limited | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | - | \$ 12.00 | \$ | 9.00 |
| Yarrawonga District Hospital | \$ | - | \$ | 360.00 | \$ - | \$ | - |
| Zoological Parks & Gardens Board | \$ | 80.00 | \$ | 1 | \$ 34.00 | \$ | - |
| TOTAL | \$ | 166,675.00 | \$ | 92,085.00 | \$ 110,861.44 | \$ | 80,100.95 |

^{*} Includes charges and fees collected.

PART 3: HOW TO USE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

WHAT IS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION?

Since 1982 Victoria has had an Act of Parliament called the *Freedom of Information Act*. It gives people a right to obtain information held by Ministers, state government departments, local councils, most semi-government agencies and statutory authorities, public hospitals and community health centres, universities, TAFE colleges and schools.

The *Freedom of Information Act* not only gives people the right to request documents relating to their personal affairs. People can also request information about any of the activities of a government agency.

The Act also gives an individual the right to request that incorrect or misleading information held by an agency about the individual be amended or removed.

WHAT TYPE OF INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE?

You have a right to apply for access to documents which are held by an agency covered by the *Freedom of Information Act*. This applies to both documents created by the agency as well as those supplied to the agency by an external organisation or individual. The type of documents which you can apply for access to are:

- those relating to your own personal affairs, regardless of the age of the documents;
 and
- documents of a non-personal nature which are not older than 5 July 1978. For documents held by a Council, not older than 1 January 1989.

It is not only documents in paper form that are accessible. The term 'documents' covers a broad range of media including maps, films, microfiche, photographs, computer printouts, tape recordings and video tapes. You may apply to the agency for a copy of the document, or you may request access to the document, for example, to see a film or to get a transcript of a tape recording.

IS ANY INFORMATION HELD BY A GOVERNMENT BODY NOT AVAILABLE?

Not all information is automatically made available in response to a request for it. The *Freedom of Information Act* sets out a number of situations in which an agency may refuse a person access to the documents he or she has requested. The main situations are requests for documents which affect the personal affairs of another person; which are commercially confidential; which would undermine law enforcement; or which contain information supplied in confidence.

WHO MAKES THE DECISION?

The initial decision on any request is made by an officer of the agency which holds the documents you are seeking. Each agency that is covered by the *Freedom of Information Act* has an officer who is responsible for freedom of information. If you do not agree with the decision made by that officer, a request can be made to have that decision reviewed. That review is considered by a different officer of the agency. The practice is that the

officer reviewing the original decision looks at your request afresh and forms his or her own view.

If you do not agree with the result of the review you can appeal to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE?

Once an agency has received your letter requesting access to documents it holds, the agency must respond to you in writing as soon as possible but not later than 45 days outlining its decision on your request.

If the agency refuses you access to the documents you sought, you can appeal to the Principal Officer of the agency for an internal review, but must do so **within 28 days** of the date of the letter sent to you. The agency must consider your request again and respond to you as to its decision **within 14 days**.

If you wish to appeal further to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) you must do so **within 60 days** of the date you were notified of the result of the internal review.

HOW TO REQUEST INFORMATION FROM AN AGENCY

It is relatively easy to apply to an agency for information. All that is required is that:

<u>The application be made in writing</u>. You are not able to telephone the agency and tell them you are coming in on Friday to look at your personal file. You will need to send or deliver an application and wait for the agency to write back to you. However, you should feel free to telephone the agency to see how your request is going.

The application be sent to a business address of the agency that has the information you want. A list of agency addresses is included at the end of this Report. If the agency is not listed there (e.g. it might be a Commonwealth Government agency) check the 'White Pages' under the name of the agency.

Address the letter to the Freedom of Information Officer. This is not a formal requirement but it helps the letter get to the right area of the agency, and it helps to make clear that you are making a request under the *Freedom of Information Act.* Remember, some agencies receive a large volume of mail and clear identification of this sort is useful for both you and the agency.

<u>Enclose the \$20 application fee</u>. A letter asking for documents cannot usually be acted on until the \$20 fee is received. If you don't send the fee with your letter the Freedom of Information Officer will need to ring or write to you to ask for it, so your request for information is delayed.

Ask for a waiver of the fee if you can't afford to pay the fee. If you cannot afford to pay the fee, you can request in your letter that the agency consider waiving the fee on the grounds of hardship. You will need to support this by indicating why payment of the fee would cause hardship. For example, that you are on a low income or hold a Commonwealth Health Care Card. You do not need to provide detail of your financial position, just give a general outline. If the agency requires further information to make a decision on the

waiver the FOI officer there will contact you. Once the agency decides to waive the fee, your letter becomes a formal request under the *Freedom of Information Act*.

SAMPLE LETTER OF APPLICATION

There is no strict requirement about what sort of letter is suitable for making a request. Agencies sometimes find that people worry too much about the format of the letter. You can base your letter of application on the sample below, and add any detail that is relevant to your particular request. If anything you write is unclear or not sufficient in detail to enable the information you are seeking to be identified, the FOI officer will contact you. If it suits you, provide a telephone number as it is sometimes quicker to call you than to write.

If you prefer you can photocopy the application form below and use it instead of writing a letter. Some people prefer a form, so feel free to use whichever style you prefer.

1 January 1999

14 Elizabeth Crescent MELBOURNE 3000

The Freedom of Information Officer Melbourne Public Hospital 50 Victoria Road MELBOURNE 3000

Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to make an application for access to my medical file under the Freedom of Information Act.

I would like copies of my records concerning the treatment for an appendicitis which I had around June 1990. Around that time I changed my name and the records are likely to be in the name of Leigh Smothers if not in my current name.

I have enclosed a cheque for \$20 made payable to the Hospital as the application fee.

My phone number is 123 4567. Please feel free to call any time after noon.

Yours faithfully

Peter Brothers

SAMPLE REQUEST FORM

You may send this form direct to the agency holding the documents, together with the \$20 application fee

| FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FORM | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Surname: | | | | | | | | |
| First Name: | | | | | | | | |
| Postal Address: | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Telephone no. (home): | (worl | k): | | | | | | |
| (work): | | | | | | | | |
| I would like access to the following document | | | | | | | | |
| Please indicate whether you would like to in the documents: | | | | | | | | |
| I wish to inspect the document(s): | yes? | no ? | | | | | | |
| I would like a copy of the document(s): | yes? | no? | | | | | | |

HOW TO APPLY FOR PERSONAL RECORDS TO BE AMENDED

As with an application for information, a request to amend personal records must be made in writing and should be addressed to the Freedom of Information Officer at the agency which holds the records. The letter should explain why the information is wrong, and, wherever appropriate, provide proof to support your request. The following is an example of the way in which such a letter could be worded. However, before making a formal request under the Freedom of Information Act for records to be changed, check with the agency. Depending on the circumstances, the agency may be prepared to amend the records without the need for the request to be made under the Act.

SAMPLE LETTER TO APPLY FOR AMENDMENT OF PERSONAL RECORDS

14 Information Street MELBOURNE 3000

1 January 1996

The FOI Officer Melbourne Public Hospital 6 Flinders Avenue MELBOURNE 3000

Dear Sir or Madam,

I have recently received from you copies of my medical record for treatment I received in the Melbourne Public Hospital.

I am concerned that my medical record shows Peter Simons as my husband and next of kin. At the time of my last visit, Peter was no longer my husband and I have attached a copy of documents from the Family Court as proof.

I have retained the surname of Simons as I have children from the marriage.

I would like you to annotate those records clearly to show my correct marital status and next of kin.

Yours faithfully

Margaret Simons

HOW MUCH DO I HAVE TO PAY?

The costs involved in making a freedom of information request divide broadly into the fixed cost and the variable costs. The fixed cost is the application fee of \$20 which all applicants must pay and which is non-refundable. The only exception to this is that people suffering hardship can request the agency to waive the application fee.

The variable costs are the charges and how much they are depends on the nature of your request. The rates of the charges are set by regulations and they are highlighted in the box below. The list of charges may look complicated but remember that in many cases it is generally only the application fee and the photocopying charges that are involved.

The main points about charges to keep in mind is that requests for documents concerning your own personal affairs involve the application fee of \$20 and charges for only the following three forms of access:

- making photocopies of the documents sought,
- making a written transcript of a recorded document, or
- producing a computer print-out.

This means that you are not liable for search charges or supervision charges.

If the charge is likely to exceed \$50 you will be contacted by the FOI officer, and asked if you still wish to proceed with the request.

Members of parliament and applicants acting in the public interest or benefit are also only required to pay these same charges.

WHEN IS A DEPOSIT PAYABLE?

The agency can require you to pay a deposit if the charges likely to be involved in your request are more than \$50 before it will continue processing your request. The amount of the deposit is set out in the following summary of fees and charges.

SUMMARY OF FEES AND CHARGES

APPLICATION FEE

\$20 (non refundable unless fee is waived)

SEARCH CHARGES

\$20 per hour or part thereof

SUPERVISION CHARGES

\$5 per quarter hour or part thereof

PHOTOCOPYING CHARGES

20c per A4 page

PROVIDING ACCESS IN A FORM OTHER THAN A PHOTOCOPY

The reasonable costs incurred by the agency in providing the copy

CHARGE FOR LISTENING TO OR VIEWING A TAPE

The reasonable costs incurred by the agency in making arrangements to listen to or view. (Supervision charges also apply)

CHARGE FOR MAKING A WRITTEN TRANSCRIPT OF A TAPE

The reasonable costs incurred by the agency in providing the written transcript

DEPOSITS

\$25 if the calculated charge does not exceed \$100 50% of calculated charge where it exceeds \$100

REQUEST FOR AN INTERNAL REVIEW

No charge

APPEAL TO VICTORIAN CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Nil, if the request relates to personal documents, otherwise \$170

WHAT CAN I APPEAL AGAINST?

You may appeal if you are not happy with the decision made in response to a request for information. The decisions by the agency that you may appeal against are if the agency:

- refuses to give you access to all, or part of, the documents you have applied for;
- allows you to have access to the documents, but not in the form you want;
- permits you to have indirect access to medical information through a doctor, rather than giving you direct access to the documents yourself;
- makes you pay an amount you think is too much for the handling of your request;

- publishes incomplete information about its decision making powers affecting the public (i.e. information required to be published under Part II of the Freedom of Information Act);
- decides to release personal information affecting you, or information you have provided about your business and commercial affairs, to another person who has made an FOI request for the information;
- refuses to amend information about you which you think is incorrect, out of date or misleading;
- takes longer than the time permitted to process your request and notify you of the decision. (The maximum time allowed for FOI requests is 45 days for the original request, 14 days for an application for an internal review, and 30 days for a request to amend personal records.)

HOW TO APPEAL AGAINST A DECISION OF AN AGENCY

If you are refused access to documents, refused an amendment of personal records, or are not happy with the action or decision taken by an agency under the *Freedom of Information Act* you have a legal right to appeal by:

- applying for a review of your original request by the head of the agency;
- applying to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal to review the decision made by the head of the agency; or
- applying to the Ombudsman to investigate the agency's handling of your request.

In most cases, you must apply for an internal review before you can appeal to the Tribunal.

HOW TO APPLY FOR AN INTERNAL REVIEW

Once an agency has responded to you in writing as a result of your request and refuses access to documents, you apply to the Principal Officer of the agency to review that decision. You must apply within 28 days of the date of the letter from the agency, and the agency must notify you within 14 days of the result of the internal review.

Remember that an internal review is a fresh look at the decision on your request so feel free to outline any new or additional information the Principal Officer should consider in conducting the Internal review.

HOW TO APPLY TO THE VICTORIAN CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

An application to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) should be made in writing within 60 days of the decision of the agency. There is an application form to lodge an appeal and these are available from:

The General Registrar
Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal
55 King Street
MELBOURNE 3000

SAMPLE LETTER TO REQUEST AN INTERNAL REVIEW

18 Great Road Melbourne, Vic. 3000

1 January 1996

The Principal Officer
Department of the Environment and Engineering
3 Forest Road
MELBOURNE 3000

Dear Sir or Madam,

Freedom of Information Act

I would like to request an internal review of a decision by the Freedom of Information Officer for your Department. The decision was conveyed to me in a letter dated 20 December 1994.

My request was for a photocopy of a submission from the Invertebrates Action Group which was submitted as part of an inquiry into environmental indicators. I appreciate that the Department considered that the submission was provided to it in confidence and refused me access under s.35 of the Act.

However, I recently heard a radio interview with the President of the Group. In the interview he outlined in detail the submission made by the Group to your Department. I therefore consider that the information was made public by the Group and that any belief you might have that the information was provided in confidence should be reconsidered.

| Yours | sincerely, |
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R Trout

ANSWERS TO THE MOST COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I would like to obtain a copy of my police record?

It is not necessary to make an FOI request. Write to: Officer in Charge, Criminal Records Branch, Victoria Police Centre, PO Box 415, Melbourne, 3005, requesting a list of any offences recorded. Please include your full name, date of birth with proof of identity i.e. copy of driver's licence. A fee is payable for the information.

I would like a collision report and witness statements?

Write directly to the Officer in Charge, Accident Records Office, Victoria Police Centre, PO Box 415 Melbourne, 3005.

Can I access my psychiatric file?

You can apply to the public hospital concerned for access to your current psychiatric record.

Some older records are archived with the Department of Human Services to whom application can be made by contacting the address listed in the back of this report.

Am I entitled to ask for my medical file from my doctor?

Private medical practitioners (or any other private professionals such as dentists, solicitors and accountants) are not covered by the *Freedom of Information Act*. However, this does not prevent you from asking for a copy of the record.

Can I access information directly from a private company, an insurance company or a bank?

Not under the *Freedom of Information Act* as it only applies to government agencies. But that doesn't mean you can't ask for the information. Some bodies have practices whereby they provide information to clients, employees etc.

Where can I get a copy of the Freedom of Information Act?

The Act can be purchased from Information Victoria Bookshop (356 Collins Street). It costs \$11.85 (postage an additional \$6.00). Some larger libraries such as State Library and University libraries would have a copy available for reference.

Can someone else make a freedom of information request for me?

Yes, but the person should indicate in the request that they are making the request for you. For example, solicitors can make requests for their clients, as can similar other professionals. It will be necessary to have evidence that the request is being made on your behalf. For instance, you can sign a short note that says something like:

"I Peter Simons authorise my wife Mary Simons to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act on my behalf".

Don't forget to sign and date the note. Also, you may be required to provide proof that the signature is yours, such as a certified copy of your driver's licence showing your signature.

Can I find out from the council who the person was who reported me to them?

Usually not. Generally such information is regarded as being provided in confidence, and if the council were to give it to you, it would deter people from making such reports in future.

How do I get my Adoption Records?

Access to records concerning legally adopted people has been provided for under the Adoption Act. In Victoria, you should contact the Adoption Information Service. The address and phone number are: 448 St Kilda Road, Melbourne 3004.

3004

I wasn't adopted, but fostered. Can I get my records?

If you were fostered through, or a client of, the former children's welfare departments, you can apply for access to your own State Ward records. Requests should be made to the Department of Human Services.

I wrote to my hospital two months ago for documents and haven't received anything. Does this mean they have decided not to agree to my request?

Make sure that the hospital is subject to freedom of information. That means, it must be a public hospital. If it is, then you should have received a written response to your request within 45 days of the date the agency received it. If they are not going to give you access to what you have requested then you must be told why in writing. In fact, the letter from the hospital should cite the specific sections of the *Freedom of Information Act* which require the information to be withheld. Also, the letter should inform you of your appeal rights. If you have any questions about your request, feel free to telephone the hospital and ask for the Freedom of Information Officer. The FOI Officer can advise you about the status of your application and answer any questions you may have in relation to your FOI request.

I would like to get a copy of a tape made when I was interviewed.

For the purposes of freedom of information a tape is no different to a piece of paper, and you should not feel that a request cannot be made for such material. The types of documents which may be released include files, maps, films, microfiche, photographs, computer printouts, tape recordings and video tapes. You can apply for a copy of it in the medium it exists in, or you can request that it be made available for you to look at, hear or obtain a transcript of. But you may be charged for this, so ask the freedom of information officer about the charges involved.

PART 4: LIST OF AGENCIES

The attached alphabetical list of agencies and their addresses is provided to assist people in knowing where to send freedom of information requests. A request must be forwarded to the agency that holds the information sought.

Applications are to be made in writing. There is no particular form to be completed - it is only necessary to write a letter addressed to the "FOI Officer" of the agency holding the information. An application fee of \$20 should also be included. Alternatively, the letter can request that a waiver of the fee be considered. It is necessary to provides grounds for a waiver - for example, that the applicant is the holder of a health care card. The agency will then indicate to you what further information it requires, if any, to prove the case for waiver.

It should be noted that the *Freedom of Information Act* applies to government bodies such as departments, statutory authorities, public educational institutions and local councils. It does not apply to groups such as private companies, private hospitals or private practitioners.

Alfred Hospital, The

Commercial Road PRAHRAN VIC 3181

Tel: 9276 3002

Alpine Shire

PO Box 139 Great Alpine Road BRIGHT VIC 3741

Tel: 5755 0555

Ambulance Officers' Training Centre

69 Queens Rd

MELBOURNE VIC 3004

Tel: 9200 0300

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Angliss Health Service

Albert St

FERNTREE GULLY VIC 3156

Tel: 03 9764 6123

Architects Registration Board of Victoria

Level 10 Nauru House 80 Collins St

MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9662 2868

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Austin & Repatriation Medical Centre

Locked Bag 25 Studley Rd

HEIDELBERG VIC 3084

Tel: 9496 3103

Australian Grand Prix Corporation

PO Box 577 220 Albert Road

SOUTH MELBOURNE VIC 3205

Tel: 9258 7100

Ballarat City Council

PO Box 655

BALLARAT VIC 3353

Tel: 5320 5542

Ballarat Community Health Centre

Inc

PO Box 1156 BALLARAT VIC 3354

Tel: 5337 1641

Ballarat Health Services

PO Box 577

Drummond Street North BALLARAT VIC 3353

DALLAKAT VIC 33

Tel: 5320 4000

Banyule City Council

PO Box 51

IVANHOE VIC 3079

Tel: 9490 4384

Banyule Community Health Service

20 Morobe St

WEST HEIDELBERG VIC 3081

Tel: 9450 2000

Barwon Health

PO Box 281 GEELONG VIC 3220

Tel: 5226 7627

Bass Coast Shire Council

PO Box 118 WONTHAGGI VIC 3995

Tel: 5671 2211

Bayside City Council

PO Box 27 Corporate Centre Royal Avenue SANDRINGHAM VIC 3191

Tel: 9599 4390

Benalla & District Memorial Hospital

PO Box 406 BENALLA VIC 3672 Tel: 5760 2222

Bendigo Hospital Campus, Bendigo Health

Care Group PO Box 126 BENDIGO VIC 3552 Tel: 5441 0405

Bethlehem Hospital

476 Kooyong Road CAULFIELD VIC 3162 Tel: 9595 3375

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Barwon Region Water Authority

61-67 Ryrie Street GEELONG VIC 3220 Tel: 5226 2500

Baw Baw Shire Council

PO Box 304 WARRAGUL VIC 3820 Tel: 5624 2427

Beaufort & Skipton Health Service

28 Havelock St BEAUFORT VIC 3373 Tel: 5349 2152 (No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Bendigo Community Health Services

PO Box 169
EAGLEHAWK VIC 3556
Tel: 03 54 300 500
(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Bendigo Regional Institute of TAFE

136 McCrae Street
BENDIGO VIC 3550
Tel: 5434 1513

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Board of Studies

15 Pelham St CARLTON VIC 3053 Tel: 9651 4304 **Boroondara City Council**

Private Bag 1

CAMBERWELL VIC 3124

Tel: 9278 4444

Box Hill Hospital

PO Box 94 Nelson Rd

BOX HILL VIC 3128

Tel: 9895 3269

Brimbank City Council

PO Box 70

SUNSHINE VIC 3020

Tel: 9249 4732

Campaspe Murray Community Care

Inc.

34 Heygarth Street ECHUCA VIC 3564

Tel: 5482 4422

Cardinia Shire Council

PO Box 7

PAKENHAM VIC 3810

Tel: 5948 4204

Caulfield General Medical Centre

260 Kooyong Rd

CAULFIELD VIC 3162

Tel: 9276 6820

Borough of Queenscliffe

PO Box 93

QUEENSCLIFF VIC 3225

Tel: 5258 1377

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Box Hill Institute of TAFE

Private Bag 2014

BOX HILL VIC 3128

9286 9396

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Buloke Shire Council

PO Box 1

WYCHEPROOF VIC 3527

Tel: 493 7400

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Campaspe Shire Council

PO Box 35

ECHUCA VIC 3564

Tel: 5481 2232

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Castlemaine District Community

Health Centre

PO Box 53

13 Mostyn Street

CASTLEMAINE VIC 3450

Tel: 5472 4044

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Central Bayside Community Health Service

Sei vice

37 Venice St

MENTONE VIC 3194

(No statistical return submitted in

1999)

Central Gippsland Health Service

Guthridge Parade SALE VIC

Tel: 5144 4111

Central Gippsland Institute of TAFE

PO Box 3279 GIPPSLAND MAIL CENTRE VIC 3841

Tel: 5120 4500

Central Gippsland Region Water Authority

PO Box 348 TRARALGON VIC 3844

Tel: 5177 4744

Central Goldfields Shire Council

PO Box 194 MARYBOROUGH VIC 3465 Tel: 5461 0610

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Central Health Interpreter Service Inc.

7/288 Mount Alexander Rd ASCOT VALE VIC 3032

Tel: 9377 3300

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Chiropractors & Osteopaths Registration Board

202 Berkeley St
CARLTON STH VIC 3053
(Agency did not provide data for 1998/99 to the Department of Justice)

Chisholm Institute of TAFE

PO Box 1281 Fletcher Road FRANKSTON VIC 3199

Tel: 9238 8251

City of Ballarat

PO Box 655 BALLARAT VIC 3353 Tel: 5320 5542

City of Casey

PO Box 1000 NAREE WARREN VIC 3805

Tel: 9705 5200

City of Darebin

274 Gower Street PRESTON VIC 3072 Tel: 9230 4444

City of Greater Geelong

PO Box 104 GEELONG VIC 3220

Tel: 5227 0274

City of Greater Shepparton

Loacked Bag 1000 SHEPPARTON VIC 3632

Tel: 5832 9763

Kingston City Council

PO Box 1000 999 Nepean Highway **MOORABBIN 3189** MENTONE VIC 3194

Tel: 9556 4203

City of Stonnington

Cnr. Glenferrie Road & High St MALVERN VIC 3144 Tel: 9823 1330

City of Wodonga

PO Box 923 Hovell Street WODONGA VIC 3689 Tel: (02) 6055 9200

Cobaw Community Health Service

PO Box 146 47 High Street KYNETON VIC 3444

Tel: 5422 3011

Colac Otway Shire Council

PO Box 283 2-6 Rae Street COLAC VIC 3250 Tel: 5232 9416

Council of Adult Education

256 Flinders St MELBOURNE VIC 3000 Tel: 9652 0740 (No FOI requests received in 98/99)

City of Melbourne

GPO Box 1603M MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Tel: 9658 9173

City of Whitehorse

Locked Bag 2 Eastern Mail Centre NUNAWADING VIC 3110

Tel: 9262 6339

City West Water Limited

Locked Bag 350 SUNSHINE VIC 3020 Tel: 9313 8320

Colac Community Health Services

Corangamite St COLAC VIC 3250 Tel: 03 5230 0100

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Corangamite Shire

PO Box 84 CMAPBERDOWN VIC 3260 Tel: 5593 7100

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Country Fire Authority

PO Box 701 MOUNT WAVERLEY VIC 3149

Tel: 9262 8296

Dandenong Cemetery Trust

PO Box 200 397-405 Springvale Road SPRINGVALE VIC 3171

Tel: 9239 5262

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Darebin Community Health Service

Inc.

Cnr Blake & Crevelli Streets RESERVOIR EAST VIC 3073

Tel: 9478 5711

Deakin University

Pigdons Road GEELONG VIC 3217 Tel: 5227 8522

(Agency did not provide data for 1998/99 to the Department of

Justice)

Delatite Shire Council

PO Box 227 BENALLA VIC 3671

Tel: 5760 2000

Dental Board of Victoria

Level 14 114 Albert Rd SOUTH MELBOURNE VIC 3205

Tel: 9699 8011

The Royal Dental Hospital of Melbourne

711 Elizabeth Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9341 0222

Dianella Community Health Inc.

35 Johnstone Street BROADMEADOWS VIC 3047

Tel: 9356 5777

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Dierriwarrh Health Services

PO Box 330 BACCHUS MARSH VIC 3340

Tel: 5367 2000

Docklands Authority

26/80 Collins St MELBOURNE VIC 3000 Tel: 03-9655 6718 Doutta Galla Community Health Service

25 Norwood Crescent MOONEE PONDS VIC 3039

Tel: 9376 0523

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

East Gippsland Shire Council

PO Box 1618 BAIRNSDALE VIC 3875 Tel: 5150 9100 **East Grampians Health Service**

PO Box 155 Girdlestone Street ARARAT VIC 3377

Tel: 5352 0201

East Wimmera Health Service

PO Box 159

CHARLTON VIC 3525

Tel: 5491 1200

Eastern Access Community Health

75 Patterson Street RINGWOOD EAST VIC

Tel: 9879 3933

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Echuca Regional Health Service

PO Box 25

ECHUCA VIC 3564

Tel: 5482 0284

(Agency did not provide data for 1998/99 to the Department of

Justice)

Department of Education

Level 1

2 Treasury Place

EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Tel: 9637 2670

Eltham Community Health Centre

Inc.

917 Main Road ELTHAM VIC 3095

Tel: 9431 1333

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Emergency Services Superannuation Scheme

Level 6

4 Riverside Quay

SOUTHBANK VIC 3006

Tel: 9698 6444

Energy Efficiency Victoria

Ground Floor 215 Spring Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9655 3214

Ensay Community Health Centre

c/- Post Office Great Alpine Rd ENSAY VIC 3895

Tel: 5157 3215

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Environment Conservation Council

3/250 Victoria Parade

EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Tel: 9412 5021

Environment Protection Authority

PO Box 4395 QQ

MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Tel: 9695 2868

Equal Opportunity Commission Victoria

Level 3

380 Lonsdale St

MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9281 7111

Falls Creek Alpine Resort Management Board

PO Box 50

FALLS CREEK VIC 3699

Tel: 5758 3224

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Far East Gippsland Health & Support Service

PO Box 238 **Boundary Road** ORBOST VIC 3888

Tel: 5154 6666

Gannawarra Shire Council

PO Box 252 COHUNA VIC 3568

Tel: 5450 9333

Glen Eira City Council

PO Box 42 CAUFIELD SOUTH VIC 3162

Tel: 9524 3268

Glenview Community Care Inc.

168 High Street **RUTHERGLEN VIC 3685**

Tel: 6032 9505

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Gordon Institute of TAFE

Private Bag 1 Mail Centre GEELONG VIC 3221 Tel: 5225 0511

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Goulburn Valley Health

Graham Street SHEPPARTON VIC 3630

Tel: 5832 2322

Frankston City Council

PO Box 490

FRANKSTON VIC 3199

Tel: 9784 1822

Gippsland Southern Health Service

PO Box 168

LEONGATHA VIC 3953

Tel: 5667-5500

(Agency did not provide data for 1998/99 to the Department of

Justice)

Glenelg Shire Council

PO Box 152 Cliff Street

PORTLAND VIC 3305

Tel: 5522 2294

Golden Plains Shire Council

2 Pope St

BANNOCKBURN VIC 3331

Tel: 5220 7111

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Goulburn Ovens Institute of TAFE

Fryers Street

SHEPPARTON VIC 3630

Tel: 5833 2680

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Goulburn Valley Community Health

Service

PO Box 1167

SHEPPARTON VIC 3632

Tel: 5831 2012

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Grampians Community Health Centre Inc

40-44 Wimmera St STAWELL VIC 3380

Tel: 5358 3700

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Greater Bendigo City Council

PO Box 733 BENDIGO VIC 3550

Tel: 5434 6000

Greater Dandenong City Council

PO Box 200 SPRINGVALE VIC 3171

Tel: 9239 5307

Greyhound Racing Victoria

438-442 William St WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003

Tel: 9326 3422

Harness Racing Board, Victoria

Level 1 740 Mt Alexander Rd MOONEE PONDS VIC 3039

Tel: 9375 4255

Hastings Port (Holding)

Corporation

Level 5 452 Flinders Street

MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9592 7940

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Health Services Commissioner

30/570 Bourke Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 8601 5207

Hepburn Health Service

PO Box 465 DAYLESFORD VIC 3460

Tel: 5348 2371

Hepburn Shire Council

PO Box 21 76 Vincent St DAYLESFORD VIC 3460

Tel: 5348 2306

Hesse Rural Health Service

Winchelsea District Hospital 8 Gosney Street WINCHELSEA VIC 3241 Tel: 5267 2202

Hindmarsh Shire Council

PO Box 250 NHILL VIC 3418 Tel: 5391 1811 (No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Hobsons Bay City Council

PO Box 21 115 Civic Parade ALTONA VIC 3018

Tel: 9932 1047

Holmesglen Institute of TAFE

PO Box 48

CHADSTONE VIC 3148

Tel: 9564 1536

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Horsham Rural City Council

PO Box 511

HORSHAM VIC 3402

Tel: 5382 9777

Human Services, Department of

GPO Box 4057 Level 14

555 Collins Street

MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Tel: 9616 7651

Hume City Council

PO Box 119

1079 Pascoe Vale Road BROADMEADOWS VIC 3047

Tel: 9205 2241

Indigo Shire Council

PO Box 28 Ford Street

BEECHWORTH VIC 3747

Tel: 5728 1000

Infrastructure, Department of

Level 26 80 Collins St

MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9655-6718

Inglewood & Districts Health Service

Hospital Street

INGLEWOOD VIC 3517

Tel: 5438 3000

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Inner East Community Health Service

283 Church St RICHMOND VIC 3121

Tel: 9429 1811

(Agency did not provide data for 1998/99 to the Department of

Justice)

Inner South Community Health Service

Service

240 Malvern Road PRAHRAN VIC 3517

Tel: 9525 1300

ISIS Primary Care

PO Box 36

DEER PARK VIC 3023

Tel: 9296 1201

Justice, Department of

55 St Andrews Place

MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Tel: 9651 0768

Kerang & District Hospital

PO Box 179

KERANG VIC 3579

Tel: 5450 9200

Knox City Council

Private Bag Knox 1 511 Burwood Highway Wantirna South VIC 3152

Tel: 9298 8272

Kyabram & District Memorial Community Hospital

PO Box 564 KYABRAM VIC 3619 Tel: 5857 0200

La Trobe Shire Council

PO Box 345 Civic Centre TRARALGON VIC 3844

Tel: 5173 1416

Lake Mountain Alpine Resort Management Board

PO Box 40 MARYSVILLE VIC 3779 Tel: 5963 3288

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

La Trobe Community Health Service Inc

PO Box 960 MORWELL VIC 3840 Tel: 5134 2011

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Loddon Mallee Women's Health

48 Queen St BENDIGO VIC 3550 Tel: 5443 0233

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Knox Community Health Service

511 Burwood Highway WANTIRNA SOUTH VIC 3152

Tel: 9298 8800

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Kyneton District Health Service

PO Box 34 KYNETON VIC 3444 (Agency did not provide data for 1998/99 to the Department of Justice)

La Trobe University

Plenty Road BUNDOORA VIC 3083 Tel: 9479-2943

(Agency did not provide data for 1998/99 to the Department of

Justice)

Lakes Entrance Community Health Centre

PO Box 429 18-26 Jemmeson Street LAKES ENTRANCE VIC 3909 Tel: 5155 1314

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

La Trobe Regional Hospital

PO Box 424 TRARALGON VIC 3844 Tel: 5173 8000

Loddon Shire Council

PO Box 21 WEDDERBURN VIC 3518 Tel: 5494 1200

Lorne Community Hospital

Albert St

LORNE VIC 3232 Tel: 5289 1508

Macedon Ranges Shire Council

PO Box 151

KYNETON VIC 3444

Tel: 5422 0352

Mallee Track Health & Community Service

PO Box 130

OUYEN VIC 3490

Tel: 5092 1111

Manningham Community Health Service

8 Jackson Court

DONCASTER EAST VIC 3109

Tel: 9848 9623

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Maribyrnong City Council

PO Box 58

FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011

Tel: 9688 0210

Maroondah City Council

PO Box 156 City Offices,

Braeside Avenue

RINGWOOD VIC 3134

Tel: 9871 0299

Lyndoch Warrnambool Inc

Hopkins Road

WARRNAMBOOL VIC 3280

Tel: 5561 9300

Maldon Hospital and Community Care

PO Box 50

CASTLEMAINE VIC 3450

Tel: 5471 1501

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Manningham City Council

PO Box 1

699 Doncaster Road

DONCASTER VIC 3108

Tel: 9840 9262

Mansfield District Hospital

PO Box 139

MANSFIELD VIC 3722

Tel: 5775 2111

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Marine Board of Victoria

Level 26

80 Collins

MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9655 6718

Maroondah Hospital

PO Box 135

RINGWOOD EAST VIC 3135

Tel: 871 3365

Maryborough District Health Service

77-85 Clarendon St MARYBOROUGH VIC 3465

Tel: 5461 0333

Melbourne & Olympic Parks Trust

PO Box 799 Batman Avenue RICHMOND VIC 3121

Tel: 9286 1600

Melbourne Market Authority

Mail Box 1 542 Footscray Road FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011 Tel: 9258 6100

Melbourne University

Grattan Street
PARKVILLE VIC 3052
Tel: 9344-7117

Melton Shire Council

232 High St MELTON VIC 3337 Tel: 9747 7200

Metropolitan Ambulance Service

PO Box 2000 DONCASTER VIC 3108 Tel: 9840-3632

Medical Practitioners Board of

Victoria
PO Box 821
Level 3
1 Palmerston Crescent
SOUTH MEBOURNE VIC 3205
Tel: 9655 0502

Melbourne City Link Authority

Level 26 80 Collins St MELBOURNE VIC 3000 Tel: 9655 6718

Melbourne Port Corporation

GPO Box 261C MELBOURNE VIC 3001 Tel: 9628 7502

Melbourne Water Corporation

6/607 Bourke St MELBOURNE VIC 3000 Tel: 9235 7184

Mercy Hospital for Women

126 Clarendon St EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3000 Tel: 9270 2346

Metropolitan Fire and Ambulance Services Board (MFESB)

456 Albert Street
EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Tel: 9665-4431

Mildura Base Hospital

PO Box 306 MILDURA VIC 3502

Tel: 5022-3330

Mildura Rural City Council

108-116 Madden Ave MILDURA VIC 3500

Tel: 5022 2777

Mitchell Community Health Services Inc

PO Box 84

BROADFORD VIC 3658

Tel: 0357-841 306

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Mitchell Shire Council

113 High St

BROADFORD VIC 3658

Tel: 57 346 200

Moira Shire Council

Melville Street

NUMURKAH VIC 3636

Tel: 03 58 620 222

Monash City Council

293 Springvale Road GLEN WAVERLEY VIC 3150

Tel: 9518-3555

Monash University

Wellington Road CLAYTON VIC 3168

Tel: 9905 2010

Moonee Valley City Council

PO Box 126

MOONEE PONDS VIC 3039

Tel: 9243 8888

Moorabool Shire Council

PO Box 18

BALLAN VIC 3342

Tel: 5366-7100

Moreland City Council

Locked Bag No. 10 MORELAND VIC 3058

Tel: 03-9240-1117

Moreland Community Health Service

11 Glenlyon Road

BRUNSWICK VIC 3065

Tel: 9387 6711

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Mornington Peninsula Shire Council

Private Bag 1000 ROSEBUD VIC 3939

Tel: 5986-0188

Moyne Shire Council

PO Box 51 PORT FAIRY VIC 3284

Tel: 3-5568-2600

Mount Alexander Shire Council

PO Box 185 CASTELMAINE VIC 3450

Tel: 54 711 700

Murrindindi Community Health Service Inc

PO Box 104

EILDON VIC 3713 Tel: 577 424 404

Nathalia District Hospital

Elizabeth Street NATHALIA VIC 3638

Tel: 58 66 2601

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Necropolis Board of Trustees

Princess Highway SPRINGVALE VIC 3171

Tel: 9546 9377

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Melbourne Extended Care & Rehabilitation Service

PO Box 7000

CARLTON SOUTH VIC 3053

Tel: 9389 7112

Mount Alexander Hospital

PO BOX 50

CASTELMAINE VIC 3450

Tel: 54 711 555

Murray Valley Citrus Marketing

Board

PO BOX 1384

MILDURA VIC 3500

Tel: 502 11 890

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Murrindindi Shire Council

PO Box 138

ALEXANDRA VIC 3714

Tel: 577 20 333

Natural Resources & Environment, Department of

PO Box 500

EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Tel: 9637-8875

North Richmond Community Health Centre

23 Lennox St

RICHMOND NORTH VIC 3121

Tel: 429 5477

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

North Yarra Community Health

365 Hoddle St

COLLINGWOOD VIC 3066

Tel: 9419 6155

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Northern District Community Health Service

PO Box 523 KERANG VIC 3579 5452 2700

No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Northern Grampians Shire Council

PO Box 580 STAWELL VIC 3380 Tel: 5358-8700

Northern Hospital

185 Cooper Street EPPING VIC 3076 Tel: 9219-8258 Northern Melbourne Institute of TAFE (NMIT)

77-91 St George's Road PRESTON VIC 3072 Tel: 03-9269-1241

Nowa Nowa Community Health Centre

Princes Hwy NOWA NOWA VIC 3887 Tel: 5155 7294 **Nulumbik Shire Council**

PO Box 476
GREENSBOROUGH VIC 3088

Tel: 9433 3300

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Nurses Board of Victoria

GPO Box 4932 MELBOURNE VIC 3001 Tel: 9613-0333 Office of Public Prosecutions (Vic)

565 Lonsdale St MELBOURNE VIC 3000 Tel: 9603 7666

Office of the Administrator (under Part 4 of Electricity Industry Act 1993)

5/452 Flinders Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000 Tel: 9592 7940

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Office of the Regulator - General

1/35 Spring St MELBOURNE VIC 3000 Tel: 9651 3912

Otway Health & Community Services

PO Box 84 APOLLO BAY VIC 3233

Tel: 5237 6303

Ovens & King Community Health Service

PO Box 224 WANGARATTA VIC 3676 Tel: 0357-222 355

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Peninsula Community Health Service

19 Albert St MORNINGTON VIC 3931

Tel: 5975 8266

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Peninsula Health Care Network

PO Box 52 FRANKSTON VIC 3199

Tel: 9784 7720

Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute

St Andrews Place MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9656 1043

Pharmacy Board of Victoria

381 Royal Parade PARKVILLE VIC 3052

Tel: 9903-9587

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Plenty Valley Community Health Service

PO Box 82 WHITTLESEA VIC 3757

Tel: 9716 2846

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Plumbing Industry Board

C/o Department of Infrastructure 26/80 Collins Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9655-6718

Police Board of Victoria

7/589 Collins St MELBORNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9619 7500

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Port Phillip City Council

Cnr. Carlisle St & Brighton Rd ST KILDA VIC 3182

Tel: 9209 6692

Portland & District Community

Health Centre 33 Otway St PORTLAND VIC 3305

Tel: 55-234-000

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Portland & District Hospital

Bentinck St PORTLAND VIC 3305 Tel: 55 210 342

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Premier and Cabinet, Department of

2/1 Treasury Place MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Tel: 9651 5096

Public Transport Corporation

C/o Department of Infrastructure 26/80 Collins Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9655-6718

Pyrenees Shire Council

5 Lawrence St BEAUFORT VIC 3373

Tel: 534 92 000

Registered Schools Board

Department of Education 2 Treasury Place MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Tel: 9637 2670

Rochester & Elmore District Health

Service

PO Box 202 ROCHESTER VIC 3561

Tel: 54 84 1400

Royal Children's Hospital

Flemington Road PARKVILLE VIC 3052

Tel: 9345-5676

Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology University

124 La Trobe St MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Tel: 9925-3522

Royal Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital

Locked Bag 8

EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 99298 570

Ranges Community Health Services

PO Box 360 LILYDALE VIC 3140

Tel: 9739 4577

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Robinvale District Health Services

PO Box 376

ROBINVALE VIC 3549

Tel: 502 63703

Royal Botanic Gardens Board

Birdwood Ave

SOUTH YARRA VIC 3141

Tel: 9252 2323

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Royal Melbourne Hospital

C/o Post Office Royal Melbourne Hospital

PARKVILLE VIC 3050

Tel: 9342 7781

Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Victoria) Inc

3 Burwood Hwy BURWOOD VIC 3151

Tel: 03 9224 2222

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Royal Women's Hospital

132 Grattan Street CARLTON VIC 3053

Tel: 9344-2854

Rural Ambulance Victoria

Locked Bag 000 BALLARAT VIC 3354

Tel: 5337 9200

Rural City of Wangaratta

64-68 Ovens St WANGARATTA VIC 3676

Tel: 5722 0888

Seymour District Memorial Hospital

PO BOX 236 SEYMOUR VIC 3661

Tel: 57 936 100

South East Water

20 Corporate Drive MOORABBIN VIC 3189

Tel: 9552 3675

Southern Grampians Shire Council

11 Brown St HAMILTON VIC 3300

Tel: 55-730-4444

St George's Health Service

283 Cotham Road KEW VIC 3101

Tel: 9272-0444

Rural City Of Ararat

PO Box 246

ARARAT VIC 3377

Tel: 0353-550-200

San Remo & District Community

Health Centre

1 Back Beach Road SAN REMO VIC 3925

Tel: 56 785 388

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Shire of Yarra Ranges

PO Box 105

LILYDALE VIC 3140

Tel: 1300 368 333

South Gippsland Shire Council

Private Bag 4

LEONGATHA VIC 3953

Tel: 03 56 629 213

Southern Health Care Network

Locked Bag 29 246 Clayton Road

CLAYTÓN VIC 3168

Tel: 9594 2115

St Vincent's Hospital

41 Victoria Pde

FITZROY VIC 3065

Tel: 03-9288-2775

State Development, Department of

15/55 Collins St MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9651 9108

State Library of Victoria

328 Swanston Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9669-9851

State Trustees Limited

168 Exhibition St MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9667 6200

Strathbogie Shire Council

PO Box 177 EUROA VIC 3666

Tel: 57 95 2010

Sunraysia Community Health Service

PO Box 2803

MILDURA VIC 3502

Tel: 502-37511

Swan Hill District Hospital

PO Box 483

SWAN HILL VIC 3585 Tel: 503 21111 State Electricity Commission of Victoria

Office of the Administrator 5/452 Flinders Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9592 7940

State Revenue Office

505 Little Collins Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9628-0696

Stawell District Hospital

Sloane Street

STAWELL VIC 3380

Tel: 5358-2255

Sunbury Community Health Centre

PO Box 218

SUNBURY VIC 3429

Tel: 9744 4455

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Surfcoast Shire Council

PO Box 350

TORQUAY VIC 3228

Tel: 5261 0622

Swan Hill Rural City Council

45 Splatt St

SWAN HILL VIC 3585

Tel: 03-5032-0333

Swinburne University of Technology

PO Box 218

HAWTHORN VIC 3122

Tel: 9214 5413

Tourism Victoria

GPO Box 2219T MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Tel: 9653-9797

Towong Shire Council

32 Towong St

TALLANGATTA VIC 3700

Tel: 02 607 12 999

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Transport Accident Commission

GPO Box 5149AA

MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 03-9664-6528

Treasury and Finance, Department

of

3/1 Treasury Place MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9651 2115

Trust for Nature (Victoria)

2/385 Little Lonsdale St MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9670 9933

University of Ballarat

PO Box 663

BALLARAT VIC 3353

Tel: 5327 9506

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Upper Hume Community Health Service

PO Box 173

WODONGA VIC 3689

Tel: 0260 561 550

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Upper Murray Health Community Services

PO Box 200

CORRYONG VIC 3707

Tel: 02-6076-1355

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Urban Land Corporation

11/360 Elizabeth Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9664 8444

Veterinary Board of Victoria

272 Brunswick Road

BRUNSWICK VIC 3056

Tel: 03-9387-4236

VicRoads

5th floor

60 Denmark St

KEW VIC 3101

Tel: 03-9854-2231

VicSwim Inc

1104-1108 Toorak Road HARTWELL VIC 3124

Tel: 03-9889-5922

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Victoria Legal Aid

350 Queen St MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9269 0237

Victoria Police Force

PO Box 415

MELBOURNE VIC 3005

Tel: 9247-6801

Victoria Racing Club

400 Epsom Road FLEMINGTON VIC 3031

Tel: 9258 4736

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Victoria State Emergency Service

151 Sturt St

SOUTH MELBOURNE VIC 3205

Tel: 9684 6609

Victoria University

PO Box 14428

MCMC

MELBOURNE VIC 8001

Tel: 03-9688-4118

Victorian AIDS Council / Gay Men's Health Centre

6 Claremont Street SOUTH YARRA VIC 3141

Tel: 9865-6700

(No Fol Requests for 1998/1999)

Victorian Arts Centre Trust

PO Box 7585

MELBOURNE VIC 8004

Tel: 9281-8000

(No Fol Requests for 1998/1999)

Victorian Casino & Gaming Authority

Level 5

35 Spring Street

MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9651-3333

Victorian Dairy Industry Authority

651 Victoria St

ABBOTSFORD VIC 3067

Tel: 9426-1602

Australian Dried Fruits Board

PO Box 997

31 Deakin Avenue

MILDURA VIC 3500

Tel: 5022 1363

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Victorian Electoral Commission

8/505 Collins Street

MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9287-7455

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Victorian Superannuation Board

10/35 Spring St MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9651 3396

Wangaratta District Base Hospital

Green Street WANGARATTA VIC 3677 Tel: 03-5722-0260

Warrnambool City Council

PO Box 198 WARRNAMBOOL VIC 3280

Tel: 556-47814

Werribee Mercy Hospital

300 Princes Highway WERRIBEE VIC 3030 Tel: 9216-8888

West Wimmera Health Service

PO Box 231 NHILL VIC 3418 Tel: 03-5391-4222

Western District Health Service

PO Box 283 HAMILTON VIC 3300 Tel: 557 10215

Victorian WorkCover Authority

24/222 Exhibition St MELBOURNE VIC 3001 Tel: 9641 1419

Warrnambool & District Base Hospital

Ryot St WARRNAMBOOL VIC 3280 Tel: 55 631 593

Wellington Shire Council

PO Box 506 SALE VIC 3850 Tel: 51 423 366

West Goulburn Community Health Service

35 Birdwood Ave STANHOPE VIC 3623 Tel: 03-5857-2400 (No FOI requests received in 98/99)

West Wimmera Shire Council

PO Box 15 KANIVA VIC 3419 Tel: 03-5392-7700 (**No FOI requests received in 98/99**)

Western Hospital

Western Health Care Netwrok Gordon St FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011

Tel: 9319 6352

Western Region Health Care

72-78 Paisley Street FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011

Tel: 9689-4888

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Whittlesea City Council

Civic Centre Ferres Blve SOUTH MORANG VIC 3083

Tel: 9217 2207

Williamstown Hospital

Western Health Care Network Railway Cres Williamstown VIC 3016

Tel: 9393 0100

Wodonga Institute of TAFE

15 McKoy Street WODONGA VIC 3690 Tel: 02 60 55 66 00

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Women's Health West

60 Droop St FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011

Tel: 9689 9588

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Wyndham City Council

45 Princes Hwy WERRIBEE VIC 3030

Tel: 9742 0834

Whitehorse Community Health Service Inc

65 Carrington St BOX HILL VIC 3128

Tel: 9890 2220

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

William Angliss Institute of TAFE

555 La Trobe Street MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Tel: 9606 2111

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Wimmera Health Care Group

Baillie St

HORSHAM VIC 3400

Tel: 5381 9111

Wodonga Regional Health Service

PO Box 156 WODONGA VIC 3689

Tel: 02-6051-7111

Wonthaggi & District Hospital

Graham St

WONTHAGGI VIC 3995

Tel: 5671 3333

Yarra City Council

333 Bridge Road RICHMOND VIC 3121

Tel: 9205 5110

Yarra Ranges Health Service

377 Maroondah Hwy HEALSVILLE VIC 3777

Tel: 59624 300

Yarra Valley Water Ltd

Lucknow St MITCHAM VIC 3132

Tel: 9872 1238

Yarrawonga Community Health Centre

Piper Street YARRAWONGA VIC 3730 Tel: 5744-1324

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Yarrawonga District Hospital

Piper St

YARRAWONGA VIC 3730

Tel: 57 43 8111

Yarriambiak Shire Council

PO Box 243 WARRACKNABEAL VIC 3393

Tel: 539 80104

Yea & District Memorial Hospital

45 Station St YEA VIC 3717 Tel: 57 972 500

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Yooralla Society of Victoria

244 Flinders Street
MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9650 4077

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Young Farmers Finance Council

C/- Rural Finance Corporation of Victoria 15/350 Collins St MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Tel: 9243 2604

(No FOI requests received in 98/99)

Zoological Parks & Gardens Board

PO Box 74

PARKVILLE VIC 3052

Tel: 9731 9620