

2021 Review of the annual reports of oversight bodies

Correction

NSW Crime Commission

1. The Chair of the Committee on the Ombudsman, the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission and the Crime Commission (at page 16-17) of the transcript asked:

The CHAIR: Going back to staff briefly, in 2019-20 three complaints were made about the commission and/or staff that were investigated and closed. I think the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission [LECC] was also notified of the complaints. Do you have any details of those complaints and where they ended up?

Mr BARNES: Can I ask Mr Wilde to tell you about that?

The CHAIR: Sure.

Mr WILDE: In terms of complaints to the LECC?

The CHAIR: These were ones that were on page 56 of the report: "relevant to Commission and/or Commission staff". The LECC was notified also of the complaints.).

Mr WILDE: Standard process for us if we receive any formal complaint is it is referred to the LECC, even if we investigate it within our own resources. The complaints were mostly grievances between staff, none of which were considered serious and none of which led to any form of misconduct. If there was misconduct, that would be referred to the LECC for them to potentially investigate. Those were basically grievances between staff.

Correction:

Correction to the testimony provided to the Committee on the Ombudsman, the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission and the Crime Commission of the response provided by Mr Wilde.

The complaints referred to on page 56 'In 2019-20, the Commission received three complaints that were relevant to Commission and/or Commission staff members. These complaints were investigated and closed. The LECC was notified of these complaints pursuant to section 14 of the LECC act.'

These complaints were not all as stated 'basically grievances between staff'. A review of the Commission's complaint register identified that one complaint investigated was in the form of a grievance between staff. The two remaining complaints investigated were external complaints with respect to conduct of Crime Commission staff. Both matters were investigated internally and were referred as

per standard procedures to the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission, pursuant to section 14 of the LECC act.

In the first matter the complaint was determined to be not proven. The second matter the allegations could not be substantiated. In the third matter two Commission staff were 'formally counselled'.



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