

Ms Rachel Simpson Director Committees Parliament of NSW Parliament House Macquarie Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

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Your ref:D13/04676

Dear Ms Simpson

Chief Executive Officer and Information Commissioner's responses to questions on notice

I refer to your letter of 1 March 2013 requesting answers to questions on notice following the second General Meeting of the Information and Privacy Commission and the Committee on the Ombudsman, the Police Integrity Commission and The Crime Commission.

Please find attached my responses to your questions.

The IPC contact on this matter is Meredith Claremont, Executive Director who can be contacted on

Yours sincerely

Deirdre O'Donnell
NSW Information Commissioner





Joint Select Standing Committee on the Ombudsman, the Police Integrity Commission and the Crime Commission

Questions on Notice for the Chief Executive Officer and NSW Information Commissioner

Q2 Can you provide a list of committees in which the Privacy Commissioner and Information Commissioner participate? (p.8)

The Commissioners are represented on the following ongoing committees:

Enabling Information Sharing Working Group, Department of Finances and Services – Information Commissioner and Privacy Commissioner

Public Interest Disclosures Steering Committee, Ombudsman NSW – Information Commissioner

Australian Information Access Commissioners - Information Commissioner

Asia Pacific Privacy Authorities - Privacy Commissioner

Australian Privacy Commissioners – Privacy Commissioner.

Q5 With respect to the privatisation of public records, are you aware of any work being undertaken by your peers and what trends they are observing and what their approaches are? (p.13)

Advice is being sought from other jurisdictions and State Records NSW. Once received, a further response will be provided to the Committee.

Qi In your answers to questions on notice, you indicated that the Information and Privacy Advisory Committee is currently being established. When will it meet?

The inaugural meeting of the Information and Privacy Advisory Committee is scheduled for early May 2013.

Qii The Committee understands that the IPC is also in the process of developing a Disability Action Plan, and commends the IPC for this work. Can you tell us what strategies you have planned to target people with intellectual disabilities?

The IPC is committed to accessibility of its services, and will investigate suitable strategies relevant to the services we provide to our clients with intellectual disabilities, and incorporate these within the Disability Action Plan as appropriate.





Qiii The Committee notes that the IPC is in the process of implementing the Resolve software case management system, and that this is expected to provide improved data. Can you tell the Committee how much it will cost to implement the new system?

The estimated cost for the total project cost is \$396,059. The IPC has purchased an off the shelf product to minimise costs, whilst meeting our corporate needs.

Q2 Can you provide further information about the progress in consolidating the three different websites used by the IPC's website?

In December 2012, the IPC launched a single website in line with our mission to provide a single point of contact on information access and privacy rights for our stakeholders. Previously, the IPC had three websites: the IPC, the Office of the Information Commissioner and the Office of the Privacy Commissioner. We are currently conducting an audit of material on the website to confirm it has been integrated, and we are responding to stakeholder feedback following the changes.