
From: Frits Maré
Sent: Tuesday, 7 February 2023 6:20 PM
To: Portfolio Committee 7

Dear Ms. Sue Higginson,

You have invited me to attend a hearing which you are conducting.

I have been provided the Terms of Reference of your hearing together with a transcript of what appears to be a speech given by Mr. Ray Williams.

- I do not know Mr. Williams, nor do I recall ever meeting him.
- I have never had any dealings with the Hills Shire Council.
- I am not a property developer and have never been a property developer.
- I have never had any dealings with the corporate entities mentioned in the Hansard article.

There is a person mentioned in the Hansard document by the name of Christian Ellis. I met him once when he was introduced to me by Jean Claude Perotett when he came to my office in Dee Why and introduced me to Christian Ellis who arrived with him. They remained in my office for approximately 10-15 minutes and then left.

I have not had any further contact with either of these 2 individuals.

I am aware that there was an ABC program about various Liberal Party matters in which my name was mentioned. I told the journalist Shaun Nichols that besides having met these 2 individuals once at my office I have had no further dealings with them. I stand by that statement.

In view of the above I respectfully request that I am excused from attending your hearing as I believe I cannot add more than what I have stated in this email.

If you feel that there is a need to confirm the above statement at your hearing then I request that you nominate a time slot, so as to avoid me sitting around waiting to be called.

As I have said I do not know any of the people mentioned in the Hansard article, except for having met Christian Ellis once for about 10 -15 minutes. I probably would not even recognise him if he stood in front of me.

I can be contacted on

Thank you,
Frits Maré