

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES — FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPLICATIONS

636. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Housing and Works
For each Department and Agency within the Minister's portfolio, including the Ministerial office, will the Minister provide the following information for the period, 23 September 2008 to date, —

- (1) How many Freedom of Information (FOI) applications have been received?
- (2) What is the average time taken to process a FOI application?
- (3) What is the reason given for each FOI application exceeding the average time for processing?
- (4) How many FOI applications have been rejected by the Departments or Agencies within your portfolio?
- (5) How many of these rejections have been successfully appealed?
- (6) How many of these rejections are pending a decision of the FOI Commissioner?
- (7) What were the reasons given by the Departments and Agencies for rejecting each of the FOI applications?
- (8) What were the reasons given by the FOI Commissioner for upholding each of the appeals?

Hon BARRY HOUSE replied:

- (1) Department of Housing and Works[1] 23
Housing Authority 16
- (2) Department of Housing and Works 37 days
Housing Authority 19 days
- (3) The average time to process an application varies depending on the application type and the level of complexity.
- (4) None.
- (5)-(8) N/A

[1] Information relating to the Department of Housing and Works refers to the period from 23 September 2008 to 31 January 2009. The Works function was transferred to the Department of Treasury and Finance on 2 February 2009.