

## Right to Information Act 2009

### **Application for Assessed Disclosure**

Applicant's	Details:								
Name:			Title:						
Postal Addre	ss:								
Daytime contact information:									
Telephone:	Business	Home	Mobile						
Email:									
General topic of information applied for: (One sentence summary of information requested)									
Description of efforts made prior to this application to obtain this information:									

Application f	ee included (	(please tick)									
OR											
Application for waiver:	Member of Parliament		Impecunious applicant		General public interest or bei	: nefit					
If application for personal information, proof of identity provided (please tick)											
Details of the Information sought:											
(If there is insufficient room in the space provided, please attach further details.)											
Applicants Si	gnature:				Date:						

# Information about assessed disclosure under the Right to Information Act 2009

#### **Object of the Act**

Section 3 of the Act includes this statement of the objects of the Act:

- (1) The object of this Act is to improve democratic government in Tasmania
  - (a) by increasing the accountability of the executive to the people of Tasmania; and
  - (b) by increasing the ability of the people of Tasmania to participate in their governance; and
  - **(c)** by acknowledging that information collected by public authorities is collected for and on behalf of the people of Tasmania and is the property of the State.
- **(2)** This object is to be pursued by giving members of the public the right to obtain information held by public authorities and Ministers.
- **(3)** This object is also to be pursued by giving members of the public the right to obtain information about the operations of Government.
- (4) It is the intention of Parliament
  - (a) that this Act be interpreted so as to further the object set out in subsection (1); and
  - **(b)** that discretions conferred by this Act be exercised so as to facilitate and promote, promptly and at the lowest reasonable cost, the provision of the maximum amount of official information.

#### Applications for assessed disclosure

Applications are to be addressed to:

Right to Information Officer Central Highlands Council 6 Tarleton Street HAMILTON TAS 7140

- Applications are to be made in writing and include the information required by Regulation 4 of the Right to Information Regulations 2021.
- Applications are to be accompanied by the application fee. This fee is 25 fee units, which is currently \$47.75 as at 1 July 2025 and is indexed annually.
- An applicant can apply for the application fee to be waived where the applicant is a Member of Parliament in the pursuit of their official duty; where the applicant is impecunious; and where the information sought is intended to be used for a purpose that is of general public interest or benefit.

#### **Responsibilities of Council**

- Applicants are to be notified of the decision on an application for assessed disclosure within 20 working days of the application being accepted by the public authority.
- Before the application is accepted, the public authority has a maximum of 10 working days to negotiate with the applicant to further define the application.
- If a need to consult with a third party arises, a further 20 working days will be allowed in addition to the original 20 days.
- If these time limits are not conformed with, the application will be deemed to be refused and the applicant may apply to the Ombudsman for a review of that decision.