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## **OFFICIAL NOTICES**

## **Department of Planning and Environment**

## ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT 1979

**DECLARATION** 

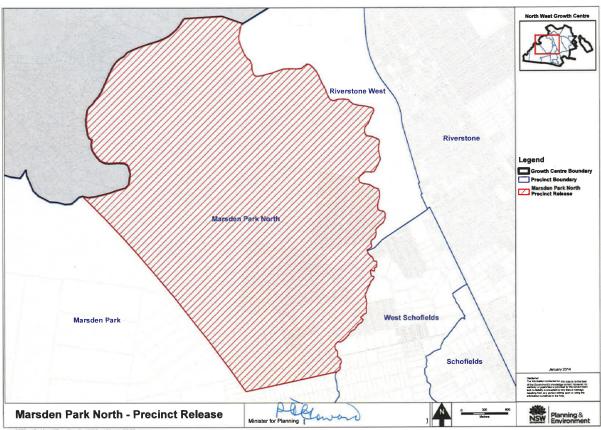
I, the Minister for Planning, under clause 276 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, declare the precinct referred to in the Schedule to be released for urban development.

Dated at Sydney, 25 August 2014.

PRU GOWARD, M.P., Minister for Planning

## **SCHEDULE**

1. The precinct in the North West Growth Centre shown with red hatching on the map held at the Department of Planning and Environment and marked: Marsden Park North – Precinct Release



## **Roads and Maritime Services**

## **ROADS ACT 1993**

Notice of Dedication of Land as Public Road at North Batemans Bay and Batemans Bay in the Eurobodalla Shire Council area

Roads and Maritime Services, by its delegate, dedicates the land described in the schedule below as public road under section 10 of the Roads Act 1993.

K Durie

Manager, Compulsory Acquisition & Road Dedication Roads and Maritime Services

#### **SCHEDULE**

All those pieces or parcels of land situated in the Eurobodalla Shire Council area, Parish of East Nelligen and County of St Vincent, being Lots 13 and 14 Deposited Plan 1164869.

(RMS Papers: SF2014/065023/1; RO SF2013/177037)

#### **ROADS ACT 1993**

# LAND ACQUISITION (JUST TERMS COMPENSATION) ACT 1991

Notice of Compulsory Acquisition of Land at Eastern Creek in the Blacktown City Council area

Roads and Maritime Services by its delegate declares, with the approval of Her Excellency the Governor, that the land described in the schedule below is acquired by compulsory process under the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for the purposes of the Roads Act 1993.

K Durie

Manager, Compulsory Acquisition & Road Dedication Roads and Maritime Services

#### **SCHEDULE**

ALL that piece or parcel of land situated in the Blacktown City Council area, Parish of Melville and County of Cumberland, shown as Lot 12 Deposited Plan 1193812, being part of the land in Certificate of Title 224/1095852.

The land is said to be in the possession of Blacktown City Council.

(RMS Papers: SF2014/25618; RO SF2013/6247)

#### **ROADS ACT 1993**

## LAND ACQUISITION (JUST TERMS COMPENSATION) ACT 1991

Notice of Compulsory Acquisition of Land at Tarcutta in the Wagga Wagga City Council area

Roads and Maritime Services by its delegate declares, with the approval of Her Excellency the Governor, that the land described in Schedule 1 below and the interest in land described in Schedule 2 below are acquired by compulsory process under the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for the purposes of the Roads Act 1993.

K Durie

Manager, Compulsory Acquisition & Road Dedication Roads and Maritime Services

#### SCHEDULE 1

ALL those pieces or parcels of Crown land situated in the Wagga Wagga City Council area, Parish of Umutbee and County of Wynyard shown as:

Lot 19 Deposited Plan 1182309, being part of the land in Certificate of Title 7300/1154665 and said to be in the possession of the Crown and Hume Livestock Health and Pest Authority;

Lot 23 Deposited Plan 1189207, being part of the land in Certificate of Title 7007/96705 and said to be in the possession of the Crown and Wagga Wagga City Council (reserve trust manager); and

Lot 29 Deposited Plan 1189207, being part of the land in Certificate of Title 7007/96705;

excluding any existing easements from the compulsory acquisition of the land listed above.

## SCHEDULE 2

## Interest in Land

An easement in gross to drain water as provided in Schedule 4A of the Conveyancing Act 1919, over the land situated in the Wagga Wagga City Council area, Parish of Umutbee and County of Wynyard as described below:

## Land Burdened

The site designated [H] on Deposited Plan 1189207 and described thereon as 'proposed easement to drain water 6 wide' being part of the land in Certificate of Title 7007/96705 and said to be in the possession of the Crown and Wagga Wagga City Council (reserve trust manager).

(RMS Papers: SF2014/2630; RO SF2013/38478)

# Department of Trade and Investment, Regional Infrastructure and Services

#### **MINERALS**

NOTICE is given that the following applications have been received:

#### EXPLORATION LICENCE APPLICATIONS

(T14-1127)

No. 5076, SILVER CITY MINERALS LIMITED (ACN 130 933 309), area of 5 units, for Group 1, dated 9 September 2014. (Broken Hill Mining Division).

The Hon. ANTHONY ROBERTS M.P., Minister for Resources and Energy

NOTICE is given that the following applications have been granted:

#### EXPLORATION LICENCE APPLICATIONS

(T12-1188)

No. 4637, now Exploration Licence No. 8299, BELAMANDA RESOURCES PTY LTD (ACN 011 062 285), County of Buckland, Map Sheet (9035), area of 24 units, for Group 1, dated 2 September 2014, for a term until 2 September 2016.

(T14-1034)

No. 4989, now Exploration Licence No. 8288, CRITICAL METALS PTY LTD (ACN 168 210 937), County of Bland, Map Sheet (8429), area of 42 units, for Group 1, dated 2 September 2014, for a term until 2 September 2016.

(T14-1068)

No. 5022, now Exploration Licence No. 8298, ROBERT JOHN WHITE AND ALISON COLE, County of Murchison, Map Sheet (9037, 9038), area of 9 units, for Group 3, dated 28 August 2014, for a term until 28 August 2016.

(T14-1070)

No. 5024, now Exploration Licence No. 8297, DAVID LINDLEY AND ANDREW J MORRIS, County of Selwyn, Map Sheet (8526), area of 15 units, for Group 1, dated 20 August 2014, for a term until 20 August 2016.

The Hon. ANTHONY ROBERTS M.P., Minister for Resources and Energy

NOTICE is given that the following applications for renewal have been received:

(T10-5962)

Exploration Licence No. 5997, HILLGROVE MINES PTY LTD (ACN 102 660 506), area of 13 units. Application for renewal received 9 September 2014.

(06-0067)

Exploration Licence No. 6628, NEO RESOURCES LIMITED (ACN 007 708 429), area of 11 units. Application for renewal received 4 September 2014.

(06-0068)

Exploration Licence No. 6629, NEO RESOURCES LIMITED (ACN 007 708 429), area of 9 units. Application for renewal received 5 September 2014.

The Hon. ANTHONY ROBERTS M.P., Minister for Resources and Energy

#### RENEWAL OF CERTAIN AUTHORITIES

Notice is given that the following authorities have been renewed:

(T09-0170)

Exploration Licence No. 7482, OXLEY EXPLORATION PTY LTD (ACN 137 511 141), Counties of Mouramba and Robinson, Map Sheet (8134), area of 28 units, for a further term until 23 March 2017. Renewal effective on and from 4 September 2014.

(10-2166)

Petroleum Exploration Licence No. 285, AGL UPSTREAM INVESTMENTS PTY LIMITED (ACN 115 063 744), County of Gloucester, Map Sheet (9233, 9234, 9333), area of 13 blocks, for a further term until 4 August 2020. Renewal effective on and from 4 August 2014.

The Hon. ANTHONY ROBERTS M.P., Minister for Resources and Energy

## CANCELLATION OF AUTHORITY AT REQUEST OF HOLDER

Notice is given that the following authority has been cancelled:

(T13-3438)

Exploration Licence No. 7428, BELAMANDA RESOURCES PTY LTD (ACN 011 062 285), County of Buckland and County of Parry, Map Sheet (9035), area of 24 units. Cancellation took effect on 3 September 2014.

The Hon. ANTHONY ROBERTS M.P., Minister for Resources and Energy

## **PRIMARY INDUSTRIES**

#### LOCAL LAND SERVICES (WILD DOGS) PEST CONTROL ORDER 2014

under the Local Land Services Act 2013

I, KATRINA ANN HODGKINSON, M.P., Minister for Primary Industries, in pursuance of Part 10 of, and clause 19 of Schedule 6 to, the Local Land Services Act 2013, make the following pest control order in respect of wild dogs.

Dated this 9th day of September 2014.

KATRINA ANN HODGKINSON, M.P., Minister for Primary Industries

#### 1 Name of pest control order

This pest control order is the Local Land Services (Wild Dogs) Pest Control Order 2014.

#### 2 Commencement and duration

- (1) This pest control order commences on the date it is published in the NSW Government Gazette.
- (2) This pest control order has effect for a period of 5 years from the date of commencement.

#### 3 Definitions

In this pest control order:

Agvet Code has the same meaning as in the Pesticides Act 1999.

controlled land means the land to which this pest control order applies as described in clause 5.

individual eradication order means an individual eradication order made under Division 3 of Part 10 of the Act.

pest means the animal declared in clause 6 to be a pest on the controlled land.

the Act means the Local Land Services Act 2013.

wild dog means any dog, including a dingo, that is or has become wild but excludes any dog kept in accordance with the Companion Animals Act 1998, the Exhibited Animals Protection Act 1986 or the Animal Research Act 1985.

#### Notes:

- 1. *eradicate* and *pest control order* have the same meaning as in Part 10 of the Act.
- 2. **Local Land Services**, **occupier**, **owner**, **public authority** and **public land** all have the same meaning as in the Act.

### 4 Revocation of previous pest control order in respect of wild dogs

Pursuant to section 140 (2) of the Act, Pest Control Order Number 17 in respect of wild dogs published in *NSW Government Gazette* No. 125 on 11 September 2009 at pages 5052 and 5053 is revoked, as is any pest control order revived as a result of this revocation.

## 5 Controlled land

This pest control order applies, pursuant to section 130 (1) (a) of the Act, to the land described in Schedule 1 and Schedule 2.

#### 6 Declaration of wild dog to be a pest

Pursuant to section 130 (1) (b) of the Act, the wild dog, being a former pest within the meaning of clause 19 of Schedule 6 to the Act, is declared to be a pest on the controlled land.

## 7 Obligations and powers conferred in relation to the pest on controlled land

Pursuant to section 130 (1) (c) of the Act and the sections referred to in this clause, the following obligations and powers are imposed or conferred in relation to the pest on the controlled land:

- (a) pursuant to section 130 (2) (a) of the Act, a general destruction obligation is imposed requiring the occupier of controlled land to eradicate the pest by any lawful method;
- (b) pursuant to section 130 (2) (c) of the Act, a notification obligation is imposed requiring the occupier of controlled land to give Local Land Services notice of the presence of the pest on the land as soon as practicable after becoming aware of its presence;
- (c) pursuant to section 130 (2) (d) of the Act, Local Land Services is empowered to serve an individual eradication order in accordance with Part 10 of the Act, on any occupier or owner (other than a public authority) of controlled land requiring the occupier or owner to eradicate the pest by use of a method specified by Local Land Services in the individual eradication order;

Note: For the purposes of section 130 of the Act, *public authority* is defined to mean a *public authority* (as defined in the Act) other than a local authority (section 130 (8)).

(d) pursuant to section 130 (2) (h) of the Act, power is conferred on Local Land Services to approve or order the use (whether or not subject to any condition) of a method of eradication of the pest.

Note: In regard to clause 7 (d) of this pest control order, section 143 (4) of the Act provides that an occupier of public land that is controlled land (in this pest control order being the land described in Schedule 2) fulfils their general destruction obligation if the occupier uses the method or methods approved by Local Land Services. In practice, the approval under section 130 (2) (h) of the Act will take the form of a wild dog management plan, the content of which will be agreed between the occupier and Local Land Services. Such a management plan will be prepared in accordance with guidelines to be published by the Department of Primary Industries addressing both wild dog control and the conservation of dingoes in NSW.

## 8 Method of eradication involving application of a substance from the air

Pursuant to section 130 (3) of the Act, the method of eradication that may be used in relation to the pest on controlled land that involves the application of a substance from the air is specified to be the use of any substance approved for application by air under the Pesticides Act 1999 or the Agvet Code for the purpose of controlling the pest.

SCHEDULE 1
Controlled Land

(Clause 5)

All land in New South Wales not included in Schedule 2.

#### SCHEDULE 2

Public land that is controlled land

(Clause 5)

Those areas of National Park, Nature Reserve, State Conservation Areas, State Forest, Crown land and Reserves, specified below:

#### **National Parks**

Baalinjin	Brindabella	Dorrigo	Juugawaarri	Mount Nothofagus	Popran	Watagans
Barool	Budawang	Duea	Kanangra-Boyd	Mount Royal	Ramornie	Werrikimbe
Barrington Tops	Bundjalung	Dunggir	Koreelah	Mummel Gulf	Richmond Range	Willi Willi
Bellinger River	Capoompeta	Fortis Creek	Kosciuszko	Myall Lakes	South East Forests	Wollemi
Ben Boyd	Carrai	Gardens of Stone	Kumbatine	Nattai	Spirabo	Wollumbin
Bimberamala	Cascade	Ghin-doo-ee	Mebbin	New England	Tapin Tops	Yabbra
Bindarri	Cathedral Rock	Gibraltar Range	Monga	Nightcap	Tooloom	Yengo
Biriwal Bulga	Chaelundi	Goonengerry	Morton	Nowendoc	Toonumbar	Yuraygir
Blue Mountains	Cottan- Bimbang	Guy Fawkes River	Mount Clunie	Nymboi- Binderay	Wadbilliga	
Bongil Bongil	Cunnawarra	Jerrawangala	Mount Imlay	Nymboida	Wallingat	
Border Ranges	Dharug	Junuy Juluum	Mount Jerusalem	Oxley Wild Rivers	Washpool	

#### **Nature Reserves**

Berrico	Cooperabung Creek	Killarney	Monkerai	Nadgee	Parma Creek	The Castles
Bimberi	Georges Creek	Limeburners Creek	Mount Hyland	Ngambaa	Scabby Range	Tuggolo Creek
Byrnes Scrub	Guy Fawkes River	Limpinwood	Mount Neville	Ngulin	Serpentine	Weelah
Captains Creek	Iluka	Mann River	Mount Seaview	Numinbah	Tabbimoble Swamp	

#### **State Conservation Areas**

Banyabba	Black Bulga	Burragorang	Laurence Road	Nattai	Wollumbin
Bargo	Brindabella	Colymea	Morton	Parr	Yerranderie
Barrington	Bungonia	Cottan-	Mummel Gulf	The Cells and	
Tops		Bimbang		Whian Whian	

#### **State Forests**

Avon River	Bulahdelah	Dyke	Kippara	Mount Mitchell	Riamukka	Wang Wauk
Awaba	Bulga	East Boyd	Knorrit	Myall River	Richmond Range	Washpool
Bachelor	Candole	Edinburgh Castle	Koreelah	Nadgee	Roses Creek	Watagan
Bagawa	Carrai	Ellis	Little Spirabo	Nana Creek	Shallow Crossing	Wild Cattle Creek
Bago	Chaelundi	Enfield	London Bridge	Nerong	Sheas Knob	Wingello
Bald Knob	Chichester	Ewingar	Lower Creek	Newfoundland	Spirabo	Woodenbong
Barcoongere	Clouds Creek	Forest Land	Maragle	Nowendoc	Stewarts Brook	Wyong
Barrington Tops	Clyde	Fosterton	Marara	Nulla Five Day	Styx River	Yabbra
Beaury	Cochrane	Gibralter Range	Marengo	Nymboida	Tamban	Yadboro
Bellangry	Collombatti	Glen Elgin	Masseys Creek	Oakes	Thumb Creek	Yambulla
Bendinni	Comleroy	Glen Nevis	McDonald	Oakwood	Timbillica	Yango
Billilimbra	Corrabare	Gundar	McPherson	Olney	Toonumbar	Yerriyong
Bondo	Currowan	Heaton	Meryla	Orara West	Trevor	Yessabah
Boonanghai	Dalmorton	Hyland	Micalong	Paddys Land	Tuckers Knob	
Boundary Creek	Dampier	Ingalba	Mistake	Pine Creek	Tuggolo	
Brassey	Diehappy	Irishman	Moogem	Pokolbin	Unumgar	
Brother	Dingo	Jellore	Moonpar	Putty	Wallingat	1
Buckenbowra	Donaldson	Jerrawangala	Mount Boss	Quart Pot	Wandella	1
Buckra Bendinni	Doyles River	Kangaroo River	Mount Lindsay	Ramornie	Wandera	

#### **Crown land and Reserves**

Crown lands adjoining Morton National Park

## FISHERIES MANAGEMENT ACT 1994

Sections 8 and 11 Notification - Fishing Closure

Trout and Salmon

- I, PETER TURNELL, Acting Executive Director, Fisheries NSW, with the delegated authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and the Secretary of the Department of Trade and Investment, Regional Infrastructure and Services pursuant to sections 227 and 228 of the Fisheries Management Act 1994 ("the Act"), do by this notification:
  - 1. pursuant to section 11 of the Act, revoke the fishing closure notification titled "Sections 8 and 11 Notification Fishing Closure Trout and Salmon" published in *NSW Government Gazette* No. 47 on 4 May 2012 at pages 1152 to 1159 and any notification revived as a result of this revocation;
  - 2. pursuant to section 8 of the Act, prohibit the taking of fish of the species specified in Column 1 of the Schedule to this notification, by the methods of fishing specified opposite in Column 2 of the Schedule, from the waters described opposite in Column 3 of the Schedule, subject to the conditions specified opposite in Column 4 of the Schedule.

In the Schedule to this notification:

- "artificial flies or lures" does not include the use of "power bait™" or any other similar artificial or manufactured bait product.
- "attended rod and line" means a rod and line that is within a person's line of sight and that person remains within 50 metres of the rod and line.
- "General Regulation" means the Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 2010.

This fishing closure is effective for a period of five (5) years commencing on the date of publication in the *NSW Government Gazette*, unless sooner amended or revoked.

Column 1 Species	Column 2 Methods	Column 3 Waters	Column 4 Conditions
All species	All methods other than:  a) one attended rod and line with not more than 2 hooks attached, those hooks being artificial flies or lures, and with not more than 3 treble hooks, or 3 double hooks, attached to any lure; and  b) a landing net as prescribed by clause 33 of the General Regulation.	The waters described in Table A1 below (except Black Lake).	EXCEPT:  1. When taking Atlantic Salmon ( <i>Salmo salar</i> ), Brook Trout ( <i>Salvelinus fontinalis</i> ), Brown Trout ( <i>Salmo trutta</i> ) or Rainbow Trout ( <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> ), the maximum quantity that a person may take on any one day is 2 and the maximum quantity that a person may have in their possession is 4 – consisting of any single species or a combination of species.  2. From the Tuesday after the June (Queen's Birthday) long weekend until midnight on the last Friday before the start of the October (Labour Day) long weekend (inclusive) in each year, the taking of all species of fish by all methods is prohibited.
All species	All methods other than:  a) one attended rod and line with not more than 3 hooks attached, those hooks being artificial flies or lures, and with not more than 3 treble hooks, or 3 double hooks, attached to any lure; and  b) a landing net as prescribed by clause 33 of the General Regulation	Black Lake.	EXCEPT:  1. When taking Atlantic Salmon (Salmo salar), Brook Trout (Salvelinus fontinalis), Brown Trout (Salmo trutta) or Rainbow Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss), the maximum quantity that a person may take on any one day is 2 and the maximum quantity that a person may have in their possession is 4 – consisting of any single species or a combination of species.
Atlantic Salmon (Salmo salar), Brook Trout (Salvelinus fontinalis), Brown Trout (Salmo trutta) or Rainbow Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss).	All methods other than:  a) one attended rod and line with not more than 2 hooks attached, those hooks being artificial flies or lures, and with not more than 3 treble hooks, or 3 double hooks, attached to any lure; and  b) a landing net as prescribed by clause 33 of the General Regulation	The waters described in Table A2 below.	<ol> <li>The fish must be a minimum size of 50 centimetres.</li> <li>The maximum quantity that a person may take on any one day is 1 and the maximum quantity that a person may have in their possession is 2 – consisting of any single species or a combination of species.</li> <li>The methods specified in column 2 and the conditions in points 1 and 2 in column 4 apply from 1 May to the Monday of the June (Queen's Birthday) long Weekend (inclusive), in each year.</li> <li>From the Tuesday after the June (Queen's Birthday) long weekend until midnight on the last Friday before the start of the October (Labour Day) long weekend (inclusive) in each year, the taking of all species of fish by all methods is prohibited.</li> </ol>
All species	All methods other than:  a) one attended rod and line with not more than 2 hooks attached and with not more than 3 treble hooks, or 3 double hooks, attached to any lure; and	The waters described in Table B1 below.	EXCEPT:  1. When taking Atlantic Salmon (Salmo salar), Brook Trout (Salvelinus fontinalis), Brown Trout (Salmo trutta) or Rainbow Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss), the maximum quantity that a person may take on any one day is 5 and the maximum quantity that a person may have in their possession is 10 – consisting of any single species or a combination of species.

Column 1 Species	Column 2 Methods	Column 3 Waters	Column 4 Conditions
All species (continued)	b) a landing net as prescribed by clause 33 of the General Regulation		2. From the Tuesday after the June (Queen's Birthday) long weekend until midnight on the last Friday before the start of the October (Labour Day) long weekend (inclusive) in each year, the taking of all species of fish by all methods is prohibited.
All species	All methods other than:  a) two attended rods and lines with:  (i) not more than  2 hooks attached and with not more than 3 treble hooks, or 3 double hooks, attached to any lure; or  (ii) up to 3 hooks attached where those hooks are artificial flies or lures and with not more than 3 treble hooks, or 3 double hooks, or 3 double hooks, attached to any lure; and  b) a landing net as prescribed by clause 33 of the General Regulation	The waters described in Table B2 below.	<ol> <li>EXCEPT:         <ol> <li>When taking Atlantic Salmon (Salmo salar), Brook Trout (Salvelinus fontinalis), Brown Trout (Salmo trutta) or Rainbow Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss), the maximum quantity that a person may take on any one day is 5 and the maximum quantity that a person may have in their possession is 10 – consisting of any single species or a combination of species.</li> </ol> </li> <li>When taking Yabbies (Cherax destructor) from the backed up waters of Lake Eucumbene, Lake Jindabyne, Lake Lyell, Lake Wallace and Googong Dam, the use of the hoop or lift net as prescribed by clause 28 of the General Regulation is allowed in addition to the methods specified in column 2.</li> </ol>
Spiny Crayfish species (Euastacus spp.) other than Murray Crayfish (Euastacus armatus)*	All methods.	Thompsons Creek Dam, Black Lake and the waters described in Tables A1, A2, B1 and B2 below.	All year.

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Murray Crayfish can only be taken in waters specified in the General Regulation.

## TABLE A1

## Artificial fly and lure only waters

In Table A1, the waters described include the tributaries upstream from where those waters enter the backed up waters of all impoundments contained in those waters. The backed up waters of those impoundments are not included in the waters of Table A1 except for Black Lake where the backed up waters of this impoundment are included.

	Southern NSW Trout Waters		
BOBUNDARA CREEK	County of Wellesley. The whole of the waters of Bobundara Creek and its tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, the Snowy River.		
EUCUMBENE RIVER	County of Wallace. The whole of the waters of the Eucumbene River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the dam wall of Lake Eucumbene and including Providence Portal.		
KHANCOBAN CREEK	County of Selwyn: The whole of the waters of Khancoban Creek, together with all of its tributaries, from its confluence with the backed-up waters of Khancoban Pondage upstream to its source and including that part of Broken Back Creek from the wall of Murray 2 Pondage downstream to its confluence with the waters of Khancoban Creek.		
KYBEYAN RIVER	County of Beresford. The whole of the waters of the Kybeyan River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, the Numeralla River.		

MACLAUGHLIN RIVER	County of Wellesley. The whole of the waters of the Maclaughlin River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction, but not including, the Snowy River.
MOWAMBA RIVER	County of Wallace. The whole of the waters of the Mowamba River (or Moonbah River), its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction, but not including, the Snowy River.
SWAMPY PLAIN RIVER	County of Selwyn. The whole of the waters of the Swampy Plain River, its creeks and tributaries downstream of the southern (upstream) boundary of Khancoban Station and upstream from its junction, but not including, the Murray River.
THREDBO RIVER	County of Wallace. The whole of the waters of the Thredbo River (or Crackenback River), its creeks and tributaries upstream from where it enters the backed-up waters of Lake Jindabyne.
FLEA CREEK	County of Cowley: The whole of the waters of Flea Creek and its tributaries including Tumbledown Creek and its tributaries upstream of the junction with the Goodradigbee River.
WILDE'S MEADOW CREEK	County of Camden: The whole of the waters of Wilde's Meadow Creek (including its creeks and tributaries, from a point where its visible flow merges with the backed-up waters of the Fitzroy Falls Reservoir, upstream to its source).
BLACK LAKE	County of Wellesley. The whole of the waters of Black Lake.
	Central NSW Trout Waters
BELL RIVER	County of Wellington. The whole of the waters of the Bell River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the Belgravia Road crossing.
MOLONG CREEK	County of Wellington. The whole of the waters of the Molong Creek and its tributaries upstream from its junction, but not including, Borenore Creek.

# TABLE A2 Spawning Streams

In Table A2, the waters described include the tributaries upstream from where those waters enter the backed up waters of all impoundments contained in those waters. The backed up waters of those impoundments are not included in the waters of Table A2.

EUCUMBENE RIVER	County of Wallace. The whole of the waters of the Eucumbene River and its tributaries upstream of the dam wall and including the Providence Portal.
THREDBO RIVER	County of Wallace. The whole of the Thredbo River.

# TABLE B1 General trout waters

In Table B1, the waters described include the tributaries upstream from where those waters enter the backed up waters of all impoundments contained in those waters. The backed up waters of those impoundments are not included in the waters of Table B1.

	Southern NSW Trout Waters		
BEMBOKA RIVER	County of Auckland. The whole of the waters of Bemboka River, its creeks and tributaries upstream its junction with, and including, Tantawangalo Creek.		
GOODRADIGBEE RIVER	County of Buccleuch. The whole of the waters of the Goodradigbee River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from where it enters the backed-up waters of Burrinjuck Dam.		
INGEEGOODBEE RIVER	County of Wallace. The whole of the waters of the Ingeegoodbee River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the Victorian border.		
MACPHERSONS SWAMP CREEK	County of Buccleuch. The whole of the waters of the Macphersons Creek and tributaries upstream from where it enters the backed-up waters of Burrinjuck Dam.		
MOLONGLO RIVER	County of Murray. The whole of the waters of the Molonglo River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the railway bridge at Burbong.		
MURRAY RIVER	County of Selwyn. The whole of the waters of the Murray River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the road bridge at Tintaldra.		
MURRUMBIDGEE RIVER	County of Cowley. The whole of the waters of the Murrumbidgee River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, including, the Bredbo River.		

QUEANBEYAN RIVER	County of Murray. The whole of the waters of the Queanbeyan River, its creeks and tributaries upstream of the fence boundary of the Googong Dam Reservoir (about 1 kilometres downstream of the wall of Googong Dam).		
SHOALHAVEN RIVER	County of Murray. The whole of the waters of the Shoalhaven River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, the Mongarlowe River.		
SNOWY RIVER	County of Wallace. The whole of the waters of the Snowy River, its creeks and tributaries upstream of the Victorian border.		
TUMUT RIVER	County of Buccleuch. The whole of the waters of the Tumut River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, the Murrumbidgee River.		
TUROSS RIVER	County of Dampier. The whole of the waters of the Tuross River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the Tuross Falls.		
	Central NSW Trout Waters		
BELL RIVER	County of Wellington. The whole of the waters of the Bell River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, the Molong Creek.		
BELUBULA RIVER	County of Bathurst. The whole of the waters of the Belubula River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the Cherry Tree Falls low level road bridge near Canowindra.		
BOREE CREEK	County of Ashburnham. The whole of the waters of the Boree Creek and its tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, Mandagery Creek.		
COXS RIVER	County of Westmoreland. The whole of the waters of the Coxs River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, Little River.		
CUDGEGONG RIVER	County of Phillip. The whole of the waters of the Cudgegong River, its creeks and tributaries downstream of the wall of Windermere Dam and upstream from the Lawson Park Weir at Mudgee.		
GUINECOR CREEK	County of Argyle. The whole of the waters of Guinecor Creek and its tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, the Wollondilly River.		
KOWMUNG RIVER	County of Westmoreland. The whole of the waters of the Kowmung River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Morong Creek.		
LACHLAN RIVER	County of Bathurst. The whole of the waters of the Lachlan River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the Cowra-Young road bridge.		
MACQUARIE RIVER	County of Bathurst. The whole of the waters of the Macquarie River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Lewis Ponds Creek.		
WOLLONDILLY RIVER	County of Argyle. The whole of the waters of the Wollondilly River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, the Tarlo River.		
	Northern NSW Trout Waters		
APSLEY RIVER	County of Vernon. The whole of the waters of the Apsley River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, the Tia River.		
BARNARD RIVER	County of Hawes. The whole of the waters of the Barnard River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Gulf Creek.		
BARRINGTON RIVER	County of Gloucester. The whole of the waters of the Barrington River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, the Moppy River.		
BEARDY WATERS	County of Gough. The whole of the waters Beardy Waters, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Furracabad Creek.		
BLICKS RIVER	County of Fitzroy. The whole of the waters of the Blicks River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the road bridge at Dundarrabin.		
CARTERS BROOK	County of Durham. The whole of the waters of Carters Brook, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Stewarts Brook.		
CHANDLER RIVER	County of Clarke. The whole of the waters of the Chandler River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, the Wollomombi River.		
COBARK RIVER	County of Gloucester. The whole of the waters of the Cobark River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, the Dilgry River.		
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COOPLACURRIPA RIVER	County of Hawes. The whole of the waters of the Cooplacurripa River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, the Mummel River.
DEEPWATER RIVER	County of Gough. The whole of the waters of the Deepwater River, its creeks and tributaries upstream of the New England Highway road bridge near Deepwater.
DUNGOWAN CREEK	County of Parry. The whole of the waters of Dungowan Creek and its tributaries upstream from the road crossing near Ogunbil Station.
GEORGES CREEK	County of Hardinge. The whole of the waters of Georges Creek and its tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Louisa Creek.
GLOUCESTER RIVER	County of Gloucester. The whole of the waters of the Gloucester River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Sharpes Creek.
GUY FAWKES RIVER	County of Gresham. The whole of the waters of the Guy Fawkes River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, the Aberfoyle River.
GWYDIR RIVER	County of Hardinge. The whole of the waters of the Gwydir River, its creeks and tributaries upstream of the road bridge at Torryburn.
GWYDIR RIVER	County of Hardinge. The whole of the waters of the Gwydir River, its creeks and tributaries downstream of Copeton Dam and upstream of its junction with, but not including, Dingo Creek.
HORTON RIVER	County of Murchison. The whole of the waters of the Horton River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Cut Road Creek.
HUNTER RIVER	County of Brisbane. The whole of the waters of the Hunter River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, Pages Creek.
LAURA CREEK	County of Hardinge. The whole of the waters of Laura Creek and its tributaries of the ford at Baldeslie Station.
MACDONALD RIVER	County of Vernon. The whole of the waters of the Macdonald River, its creeks and tributaries upstream of the New England Highway road bridge at Bendemeer.
MACINTYRE RIVER	County of Gough. The whole of the waters of the MacIntyre River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the road bridge at Elsmore.
MANNING RIVER	County of Gloucester. The whole of the waters of the Manning River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from the Gummi Trail crossing.
MOONAN BROOK	County of Durham. The whole of the waters of Moonan Brook and its tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, the Hunter River.
MOREDUN CREEK	County of Hardinge. The whole of the waters of Moredun Creek and its tributaries upstream of the ford immediately below its junction with Limestone Creek.
MULLA MULLA CREEK	County of Parry. The whole of the waters of Mulla Mulla Creek and its tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, the Cockburn River.
MYALL CREEK	County of Hawes. The whole of the waters of Myall Creek and its tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Tuggolo Creek.
NOWENDOC RIVER	County of Hawes. The whole of the waters of the Nowendoc River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from Nowendoc Falls.
NYMBOIDA RIVER	County of Sandon. The whole of the waters of the Nymboida River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Wild Cattle Creek.
OAKY RIVER	County of Clarke. The whole of the waters of the Oaky River, its creeks and tributaries upstream from where it enters the backed-up waters of Oaky River Dam.
OBAN RIVER	County of Clarke. The whole of the waters of the Oban River (or Ann River), its creeks and tributaries upstream from its junction with, but not including, the Sara River.
OMADALE BROOK	County of Durham. The whole of the waters of Omadale Brook and its tributaries upstream from its junction with, and including, Polblue Creek.
STYX RIVER	County of Clarke. The whole of the waters of the Styx River, its creeks and tributaries upstream of the road crossing on the Armidale-Bellbrook road.

SWANBROOK	County of Gough. The whole of the waters Swanbrook and its tributaries upstream of the Kings Plains road crossing near Inverell.
WELLINGROVE CREEK	County of Gough. The whole of the waters of Wellingrove Creek and its tributaries upstream from the Gwydir Highway road bridge near Glenn Innes

## TABLE B2

## General trout dams

In Table B2, the waters described include the backed up waters of all impoundments and weirs. The tributaries upstream from where those waters enter the backed up waters of all impoundments contained in those waters are not included.

Waters	Nearest town
BEARDY WATERS DAM	GLEN INNES
BEN CHIFLEY DAM	BATHURST
CAPTAIN'S FLAT DAM	QUEANBEYAN
CARCOAR DAM	CARCOAR
COOLUMBOOKA WEIR	BOMBALA
DIGGERS CREEK DAM	PERISHER VALLEY
DUMARESQ DAM	ARMIDALE
FITZROY FALLS RESERVOIR	FITZROY FALLS
GEEHI DAM	KHANCOBAN
GOOGONG DAM	QUEANBEYAN
GOSLING CREEK RESERVOIR	ORANGE
GUTHEGA LAKE	JINDABYNE
HAPPY JACKS PONDAGE	KHANCOBAN
ISLAND BEND DAM	JINDABYNE
JOUNAMA PONDAGE	TALBINGO
KHANCOBAN PONDAGE	KHANCOBAN
LAKE BATHURST	TARAGO
LAKE CANOBOLAS	ORANGE
LAKE CRACKENBACK	THREDBO
LAKE EUCUMBENE	ADAMINABY
LAKE JINDABYNE	JINDABYNE
LAKE LYELL	LITHGOW
LAKE WALLACE	WALLERAWANG
LAKE WILLIAMS	NIMMITABEL
MALPAS DAM	ARMIDALE
MARSDEN WEIR	GOULBURN
MURRAY 2 PONDAGE	KHANCOBAN
PADDY'S RIVER DAM	TUMBERUMBA
PEJAR DAM	GOULBURN
OBERON DAM	OBERON
REDGROUND DAM (Crookwell water supply)	CROOKWELL
ROSSI WEIR	GOULBURN

Waters	Nearest town
SHEBA DAMS	NUNDLE
TALBINGO DAM	TALBINGO
TANTANGARA DAM	ADAMINABY
TOD KILL PARK DAM	CROOKWELL
TOOMA DAM	KHANCOBAN
TUMUT PONDS	ADAMINABY
TUMUT 2 PONDAGE	KHANCOBAN
THREE MILE DAM	KIANDRA
WENTWORTH FALLS LAKE	WENTWORTH FALLS

Dated this 9th day of September 2014.

PETER TURNELL,
Acting Executive Director, Fisheries NSW,
Department of Primary Industries
(an office within the Department of Trade and Investment,
Regional Infrastructure and Services)

## **LANDS**

## ARMIDALE CROWN LANDS OFFICE 108 Faulkner Street (PO Box 199A), Armidale NSW 2350 Phone: (02) 6770 3100 Fax (02) 6771 5348

#### ADDITION TO RESERVED CROWN LAND

PURSUANT to section 88 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown land specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder is added to the reserved land specified opposite thereto in Column 2 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Land District: Armidale
Local Government Area:
Armidale Dumaresq
Council
Locality: Parish Metz,
County Sandon
Lot 10, Sec. 19, DP 758519,
Parish Metz, County Sandon
Area: 1054m<sup>2</sup>

File Reference: AE79H96

Column 2
Reserve No. 755834
Public Purpose: Future public requirements
Notified: 29 June 2007
Lot 416, DP 44700,
Parish Metz,
County Sandon
Lot 7300, DP 1137826,
Parish Metz,
County Sandon
Lot 7301, DP 1137834,
Parish Metz,
County Sandon
Lot 114, DP 2345,

County Sandon
Lot 91, DP 2345,
Parish Metz,
County Sandon
Lot 92, DP 2345,
Parish Metz,
County Sandon
Lot 112, DP 2345,
Parish Metz,
County Sandon
Lot 112, DP 2345,
Parish Metz,
County Sandon
Lot 113, DP 2345,
Parish Metz,

Parish Metz,

County Sandon Lot 17, Sec. 23, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 20, Sec. 12, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 7, Sec. 11, DP

758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 10, Sec. 11, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 16, Sec. 23, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 421, DP 822708, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 1, Sec. 31, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 6, DP 722398,

Lot 414, DP 40794, Parish Metz,

County Sandon

County Sandon

Lot 5, DP 722398,

Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 1, DP 728557,

Parish Metz,

Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 7, DP 722398,

Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 2, Sec. 21, DP

758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 10, Sec. 14, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 11, Sec. 14, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 130, DP 755834, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 288, DP 755834, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 2, Sec. 14, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 19, Sec. 14, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 3, DP 728557, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 4, DP 728557,

Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 6, DP 728557,

Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 1, Sec. 14, DP

758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 1, DP 722399, Parish Metz, County Sandon

Lot 3, DP 722398, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 4, DP 722398, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 2, DP 722398, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 1, DP 722398, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 337, DP 755834, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 20, Sec. 14, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon Lot 5, Sec. 22, DP 758519, Parish Metz, County Sandon New Area: 59.72ha

## APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR TO MANAGE A RESERVE TRUST

PURSUANT to section 117, Crown Lands Act 1989, the person specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder is appointed as administrator for the term also specified in Column 1, of the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which is trustee of the reserve referred to in Column 3 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2
Felicity Emmaville
FOSTER Rifle Range

Column 3

Emmaville Reserve No. 51343 Rifle Range

Reserve Trust Public Purpose: Rifle

range

Notified: 25 February 1916 File Reference: 10/06545

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 December 2014.

## NOTICE OF PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE DECLARED PURPOSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A (2) OF THE CROWN LANDS ACT 1989

PURSUANT to section 34A (2) (b) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown reserve with the declared public purpose specified in Column 2 of the Schedule, is to be used or occupied for a purpose other than the declared purpose specified in Column 1 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Grazing (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 532839);

Access (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 532839) Column 2

Reserve No. 92250 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 24 April 1980 File Reference: 14/02339 Reserve No. 750121

Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 29 June 2007 File Reference: 14/02339

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Grazing (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 520440)

Column 2

Reserve No. 751072 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 29 June 2007 File Reference: 13/12741 Reserve No. 97235 Public Purpose: Future public requirements

Notified: 19 April 1984 File Reference: 13/12741

#### **ERRATUM**

IN the *NSW Government Gazette* of 24 December 1981, Folio 6795, under the heading "Reserves from Sale" the reference to Reserve No. 97553, Parish Bendemeer, County Inglis, for Boy Scouts should have read Reserve No. 95753. File No. AE81R71.

KEVIN HUMPRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **DUBBO CROWN LANDS OFFICE**

#### 45 Wingewarra Street (PO Box 1840), Dubbo NSW 2830 Phone: (02) 6883 3300 Fax: (02) 6884 2067

### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

PURSUANT to section 93 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the persons whose names are specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder are appointed, for the terms of office specified in that Column, as members of the trust board for the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which has been established and appointed as trustee of the reserve referred to opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P.,

Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 James David Collie Reserve No. 79169 **DUNBAR** Recreation Public Purpose: Public (new member) Reserve Trust recreation Kerry Lynnette Notified: 7 December 1956 O'CONNOR File Reference: 08/2205 (re-appointment) Douglas Peter **FREETH** (new member) Sarah Christina **DUNBAR** (new member) James Lindsay **MEERS** (new member)

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

PURSUANT to section 93 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the persons whose names are specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder are appointed, for the terms of office specified in that Column, as members of the trust board for the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which has been established and appointed as trustee of the reserve referred to opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

> KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 John Thomas Dunedoo Reserve No. 52173 **STUART** Racecourse Public Purpose: (re-appointment) and Recreation Racecourse, public Kenneth John Reserve Trust recreation **MILLING** Notified: 20 April 1917 (re-appointment) File Ref.: DB81R40-002 Jaimie Kenneth **MILLING** (re-appointment) For a term commencing

the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 3

Dedication No. 520107

Public Purpose: Public hall

Notified: 6 November 1964

File Reference: DB81R28

Column 1 Column 2 Elinor Rae **Elong Elong CRAFT** Public Hall (new member) Trust Jennifer Helen **TUNKS** (re-appointment) Lester Wathen **CHOWN** (new member) Garry James **CRAFT** (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

**SCHEDULE** 

Column 1 Column 3 Column 2 Roger Barry Maryvale Reserve No. 28991 **EVERETT** Recreation Public Purpose: Public (new member) Reserve Trust recreation Paul Francis Notified: 25 February 1899 WHITELEY File Reference: DB81R97 (re-appointment) Leone Margaret GEORGE

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

(re-appointment)

Yvonne Joyce

(new member) Peter James **GEORGE** 

(re-appointment)

**EVERETT** 

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 Kenneth Merrygoen Reserve No. 97636 William **Bush Fire** Public Purpose: Bush fire **RAWLING** Brigade brigade purposes (re-appointment) Reserve Trust Notified: 28 December Joel Wesley 1984 **BENNETTS** (re-appointment) Shirley Esther **BENNETTS** (new member) Kylie Anne **BENNETTS** (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

File Reference: 08/2208

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PURSUANT to section 34A (2) (b) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown reserve with the declared public purpose specified in Column 2 of the Schedule, is to be used or occupied for a purpose other than the declared purpose specified in Column 1 of the Schedule.

## KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Column 2

Grazing (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 533453)

Reserve No. 120057 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 26 August 1988 File Reference: 14/03032 Reserve No. 120058 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 26 August 1988 File Reference: 14/03032

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Column 2

Grazing (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 533349)

Reserve No. 98059 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 31 January 1986 File Reference: 14/01477

## DISSOLUTION OF RESERVE TRUST

PURSUANT to section 92 (3) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the reserve trust specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder, which was established in respect of the reserve specified opposite thereto in Column 2 of the Schedule, is dissolved.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Column 2

Curban Showground Reserve Trust

Reserve No. 59975

Public Purpose: Showground Notified: 16 September 1927 File Reference: DB81R215

## **GOULBURN OFFICE**

## 159 Auburn Street, Goulburn NSW 2580 (PO Box 2215, Dangar NSW 2309)

Fax: (02) 4822 4287 Phone: (02) 4824 3700

## APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

PURSUANT to section 93 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the persons whose names are specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder are appointed, for the terms of office specified in that Column, as members of the trust board for the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which has been established and appointed as trustee of the reserve referred to opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

> KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

> > Column 3

recreation

Public Purpose: Public

Notified: 27 June 1893

File Reference: GB80R163

File Ref.: GB80R58-004

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Peter Cornelius Majors Creek Dedication No. 530066 **GILLESPIE** Recreation (re-appointment) Reserve Trust Gordon Russell WATERS (new member) Brian **McDONALD** (re-appointment) Craig Peter WILLOUGHBY (new member) Brian George **JAMES** (new member) Steven WATERS (new member) Rudolph **STACHOW** (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 Roger William **Towrang** Reserve No. 79119 **CURVEY** Stockade Public Purpose: Preservation of graves (re-appointment) Trust Notified: 30 November 1956 Reserve No. 79121 Public Purpose: Memorial Notified: 30 November 1956

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 20 February 2019.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Graham Norman Taralga LAMBERT Golf Course (re-appointment) Reserve Trust Brian Joseph **MOLONEY** (new member)

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 30 April 2019.

Column 3

Reserve No. 1017409 Public Purpose: Public

recreation

Notified: 20 February 2009 File Reference: 09/03119

#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

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> KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 Sarah Kathleen Bungendore Reserve No. 91204 **DARMODY** Rodeo and Public Purpose: Public (re-appointment) Equestrian recreation **Gregory James** Sports and Notified: 28 July 1978 **DARMODY** File Ref.: GB82R13-002 Recreation (re-appointment) Ground Trust John Patrick **REARDON** (new member) Shelley Christine Paula EVANS (new member) Clarence Leslie **BROWN** (new member)

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 3

Column 1 Column 2 David Warren Cooma Rifle Range **JORDAN** (re-appointment) Reserve Noel Ernest (R57908)BARRETT Trust (re-appointment) Graeme Murdoch

**CRUNDWELL** (re-appointment) Danny John

Reserve No. 57908 Public Purpose: Rifle range Notified: 9 April 1925 File Ref.: GB79R43-005

BARRETT
(re-appointment)
Wayne John
ROLFE
(re-appointment)
Richard Guy
LAPHAM
(re-appointment)
For a term commencing

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

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KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2

Environmental Protection and Sustainable Grazing (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 522714) Reserve No. 84351 Public Purpose: Resting

place

Notified: 22 March 1963 File Reference: 13/14019

## **GRAFTON OFFICE**

# 49-51 Victoria Street, Grafton NSW 2460 (PO Box 2185, Dangar NSW 2309)

Phone: 1300 886 235 Fax: (02) 6642 5375

## ROADS ACT 1993

#### **ORDER**

Transfer of a Crown Road to a Council

IN pursuance of the provisions of section 151, Roads Act 1993, the Crown roads specified in Schedule 1 is transferred to the Roads Authority specified in Schedule 2, hereunder, as from the date of publication of this notice and as from that date, the roads specified in Schedule 1 ceases to be a Crown road.

## KEVIN JOHN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

and Minister for Western NSW

## SCHEDULE 1

Crown public road referred to as Beech Tree Road within Lot 31, DP 755683 (excluding Crown road from Beech Tree road to Doubtful Creek), and separating Lot 31 from Lot 7002, DP 96775 continuing southwest through Lot 162, DP 634230 to Doubtful Creek, Parish Babyil, County Rous at Sextonville.

Crown Lands reference DOC14/147160. Councils reference: GAK-PCP/1-61

Crown public referred to as Culmaran Creek Road within Lot 32 181, DP 801267; Lot 2, DP 571441; Lot 15, DP 752365 and Lot 31 and Lot 32, DP 12636, Parish Black Camp, County Drake at Culmaran Creek.

Crown Lands reference DOC14/147215

Crown public road being part of Richmond Range Road separating Lot 73, DP 755723 from Richmond Range National Park and east Lot 142, DP 131982.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/147329 Councils reference: GAK-PCP/3-114

Crown public road being part of Richmond Range Road east Lot 140, DP 131305, Crown public road intersection and separating Lot 41, DP 752365 from Lot 75, DP 755723 and within Lot 41, DP 752365, Parish Black Camp, County Rous at Mallanganee.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/147594 Councils reference: GAK-PCP/4-114

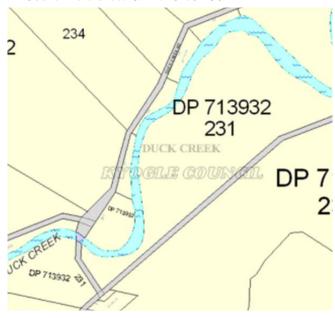
Crown public road being part of Brumbys Plains Road within Lot 25, DP 751044, Parish Boomi, County Buller at Brumby Plains.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/147613 Council reference: GAX-PCP/6-18

Crown public road being part Boorabee Creek Road within Lot 11, DP 858258 (excluding Crown public road from Boorabee Creek Road to Boorabee Creek), within and east Lot 12, DP 858528 and within Lots 13-15, DP 858258, Parish Boorabee, County Rous at Boorabee Park.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/147669 Council reference: GAX-PCP/6-18 Crown public road being part Duck Creek Road within Lot 231, DP 713932, Parish Buller, County Buller at Duck Creek as shown by red colour on diagram below.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/147929 Council reference: GAK:PCP/8-138



Crown public road being part Murphy's Road within Lot 180, DP 751050 and separating Lots 46 and 102, DP 751050 from Lot 113, DP 751050, Parish Capeen, County Buller at Bean Creek.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/147940 Councils reference: GAK-PCP9-155

Crown public road being part of Yabbra Road separating Lots 13 and 14, DP 1144293 from Lot 15, DP 1144293 and within Lot 14, DP 1144293, Parish Capeen, County Buller at Yabbra.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14147956 Councils reference: GAK-PCP/11-152

Crown public road being part Gradys Creek Road within Lot 1, DP 711215; Lot 12, DP 881873; Lot 26, DP 631147; Lots 13-15, DP 881873, Parish Cougal, County Rous at Cougal.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/147963 Councils reference: GAL-PCP/13-59

Crown public road north Lot 1, DP 711215 being part Main Creek Road, Parish Cougal, County Rous at Cougal.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/148413 Councils reference: GAK:PCP/14/255

Crown public road forming part of Hills Road within Lots 120 and 136, DP 751059, Parish Donaldson, County Buller at Lindesay Creek.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/148543 Councils reference: GAK-PCP/16-289 Crown public road forming part Lindsay Creek Road within Lot 8 and Lots 46-48, DP 751059 and Crown public road within and west Lot 45, DP 751059 excluding that part of Crown road separating Lindsay Creek Road from Lindsay Creek, Parish Donaldson, County Buller at Lindesay Creek.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/148548 Councils reference: GAK-PCP/17-86

Crown public road forming part Lindsay Creek road within Lot 131, DP 751059 and east Lot 7004, DP 1055062, Parish Donaldson, County Buller at Lindsay Creek.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/148580 Councils reference: GAK-PCP/18-3012

Crown public road forming part of Dugan road separating Lots 212, 213 and 206 from Lots 245 and 264, DP 755704, within Lot 214, DP 755704 from southwest corner to Council public road (Theresa Creek Road), Parish Dyraaba, County Rous at Theresa Creek.

Crown Lands reference: DOC14/ Councils reference: GAK-PCP/19-251

#### **SCHEDULE 2**

**Kyogle Shire Council** 

#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

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KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2

Neil Lindsay Copmanhurst
WINTERS Recreation
(re-appointment) Reserve Trust

Column 3
Dedication No. 540092
Public Purpose: Public recreation

recreation

Notified: 21 September

1901

File Ref.: GF81R316-002

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 27 February 2019.

Emma Louise

(new member)

STONE

## SCHEDULE

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 Robyn Virtie Dorrobbee Reserve No. 58949 **ANDREWS** Grass Public Purpose: Public (re-appointment) Reserve Trust recreation Jill Alice Notified: 18 June 1926 **HAWTHORN** Reserve No. 54361 (re-appointment) Public Purpose: Thomas Ralph Ouarantine WOODFORD Notified: 14 January 1921 (re-appointment)

Heidi Louise CHAPPELOW (new member)

File Reference: GF03R26 For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

## NOTICE OF PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE DECLARED PURPOSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A (2) OF THE CROWN LANDS ACT 1989

PURSUANT to section 34A (2) (b) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown reserve with the declared public purpose specified in Column 2 of the Schedule, is to be used or occupied for a purpose other than the declared purpose specified in Column 1 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Grazing (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 533495) Column 2

Reserve No. 93464 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 29 August 1980 File Reference: 14/03092

## NOTIFICATION OF CLOSING OF A ROAD

IN pursuance of the provisions of the Roads Act 1993, the road hereunder described is closed and the lands comprised therein cease to be public road and the rights of passage and access that previously existed in relation to the road is extinguished. Upon closing, title to the land, comprising the former public road, vests in the body specified in the Schedule hereunder.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### Description

Parish – Carore; County – Courallie Land District – Moree; LGA – Moree Plains

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1198567.

File No.: 14/03648

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1198567 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

## Description

Parish – Marowan; County – Gough Land District – Glen Innes LGA – Glen Innes Severn Shire

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1198914.

File No.: AE06H88

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1198914 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Beaury; County – Buller Land District – Tenterfield; LGA – Tenterfield

Road Closed: Lot 3, DP 1198411.

File No.: 08/7379

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 3, DP 1198411 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Wellington; County – Gough Land District – Glen Innes LGA – Glen Innes Severn Shire

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1198589.

File No.: 14/01157

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1198589 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

## Description

Parish – Ward; County – Clarke Land District – Armidale; LGA – Guyra

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1193449.

File No.: 07/2722

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1193449 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Enfield; County – Vernon Land District – Walcha; LGA – Walcha

Road Closed: Lots 1-2, DP 1198623.

File No.: 14/03408

## Schedule

On closing, the land within Lots 1-2, DP 1198623 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Enmore; County – Sandon Land District – Armidale; LGA – Armidale Dumaresq

Road Closed: Lot 2, DP 1199418.

File No.: 14/02177

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 2, DP 1199418 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – North Nullamanna; County – Arrawatta Land District – Inverell; LGA – Inverell

Road Closed: Lot 3, DP 1199652.

File No.: 14/04161

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 3, DP 1199652 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parishes – Snowy, Serpentine; County – Clarke Land District – Armidale; LGA – Armidale Dumaresq

Road Closed: Lots 1-2, DP 1192375.

File No.: AE06H439

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lots 1-2, DP 1192375 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parishes – Warre Warral, Houlaghan; County – Clarendon Land District – Cootamundra Central; LGA – Junee

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1194130.

File No.: WA07H330

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1194130 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

## Description

Parishes – Halloran, Oorundunby, Boulton County – Vernon; Land District – Walcha; LGA – Walcha Road Closed: Lots 1-2, DP 1198917.

File No.: AE06H417

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lots 1-2, DP 1198917 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

## Description

Parish – Wantabadgery; County – Clarendon Land District – Gundagai; LGA – Junee

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1193071.

File No.: 13/15210

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1193071 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

## Description

Parish – Murray; County – Goulburn Land District – Albury; LGA – Greater Hume

Road Closed: Lots 1-2, DP 1198035.

File No.: 07/5558

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lots 1-2, DP 1198035 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

### Description

Parish – Mukki; County – Hawes Land District – Walcha; LGA – Walcha

Road Closed: Lot 5, DP 1199293.

File No.: 14/01687

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 5, DP 1199293 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

## Description

Parish – Newrybar; County – Rous Land District – Lismore; LGA – Ballina

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1167485.

File No.: 08/2832

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1167485 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

Description

Parish – Fenton; County – Fitzroy Land District – Bellingen; LGA – Bellingen

Road Closed: Lots 1-2, DP 1198597.

File No.: 12/08418

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lots 1-2, DP 1198597 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

## **MAITLAND OFFICE**

# 141 Newcastle Road, East Maitland NSW 2323 (PO Box 2215, Dangar NSW 2309)

Phone: (02) 1300 886 235 Fax: (02) 4934 2252

## APPOINTMENT OF CORPORATION TO MANAGE RESERVE TRUST

PURSUANT to section 95 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the corporation specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder is appointed to manage the affairs of the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which is trustee of the reserve referred to in Column 3 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P.,

Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3

Lower Hunter Weston Reserve No. 62517

Peer Support Ambulance Public Purpose:
Inc Hall Reserve Ambulance station
Trust Notified: 20 February 1931
File Ref: MD83R30

For a term commencing the date of this notice

#### ADDITION TO RESERVED CROWN LAND

PURSUANT to section 88 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown land specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder is added to the reserved land specified opposite thereto in Column 2 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

Column 2

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Land District: Singleton Local Government Area: Muswellbrook Council Locality: Liddell Lot 25, DP 1193430, Parish Liddell. County Durham Lot 26, DP 1193430. Parish Liddell. County Durham Lot 30, DP 1193430, Parish Liddell, County Durham Lot 32, DP 1193430, Parish Liddell, County Durham Lot 34, DP 1193430, Parish Liddell. County Durham Lot 36, DP 1193430, Parish Liddell. County Durham Lot 31, DP 241179, Parish Savoy, County Durham

Reserve No. 87894 Public Purpose: Public recreation

Lot 7, DP 250890, Parish Liddell, County Durham Lot 35, DP 241179,

Parish Savoy, County Durham Lot 35, DP 255215.

Parish Liddell, County Durham

Lot 7304, DP 1128223,

Parish Savoy, County Durham Lot 2, DP 238862,

Parish Savoy, County Durham

Lot 5, DP 238862, Parish Liddell, County Durham

Lot 31, DP 255215, Parish Liddell, County Durham

Lot 37, DP 241179,

Parish Savoy, County Durham Lot 34, DP 241179, Parish Savoy, County Durham

Lot 33, DP 241179,

Parish Savoy,

County Durham Lot 38, DP 255215,

Parish Liddell,

County Durham

Lot 40, DP 255215,

Parish Liddell,

County Durham

Lot 125, DP 752470,

Parish Liddell,

Parish Liddell,

County Durham

New Area: 150.3ha

County Durham Lot 9, DP 250890,

Lot 38, DP 241179, Parish Savoy, County Durham

Lot 39, DP 241179, Parish Savoy, County Durham Lot 40, DP 241179,

Parish Savoy, County Durham Lot 41, DP 241179,

Parish Savoy, County Durham Lot 2, DP 556370,

Parish Savoy, County Durham Lot 22, DP 1193430,

Parish Liddell, County Durham

Lot 2, DP 1193430, Parish Savoy, County Durham

Lot 6, DP 1193430, Parish Savoy,

County Durham Lot 7, DP 1193430,

Parish Savoy, County Durham

Lot 11, DP 1193430, Parish Savoy,

County Durham Lot 13, DP 1193430,

Parish Savoy, County Durham Lot 15, DP 1193430,

Parish Savoy, County Durham

Lot 19, DP 1193430, Parish Savoy,

County Durham Lot 20, DP 1193430,

Parish Savoy, County Durham

Area: 30.34ha

File Reference: MD81R90-005

### DECLARATION OF LAND TO BE CROWN LAND

PURSUANT to section 138 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the land described in the Schedule hereunder, is declared to be Crown land within the meaning of that Act.

KEVIN JOHN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

An approximate area of 30.3435 hectares, being:

Lot 32, DP 1193430
Lot 34, DP 1193430
Lot 36, DP 1193430
Lot 31, DP 241179
Lot 33, DP 241179
Lot 34, DP 241179
Lot 38, DP 241179
Lot 39, DP 241179
Lot 40, DP 241179
Lot 41, DP 241179
Lot 2, DP 556370

File Ref: MD81R90-005

#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

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### KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 The person for Bunnan Reserve No. 294 the time being Recreation Public Purpose: Public holding the Reserve Trust recreation office of Notified: 1 May 1886 President, File Ref.: MD80R41/1 **Bunnan Sports** Club Inc (ex-officio member) Trevor Dudley PIKE (re-appointment) Gaudern Raymond **PIKE** (re-appointment) Kenneth Myhill **BROWN** (re-appointment) David William WICKS (re-appointment) Beryl June **BATES** (re-appointment) Hilton William **CARRIGAN** (re-appointment) Errol Keith **BATES** (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

## APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

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## KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P.,

Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 3 Column 2 **David Phin Dudley War** Reserve No. 55270 **LINDSAY** Memorial Trust (new member)

Public Purpose: War memorial

Notified: 7 April 1922 File Ref.: MD80R139

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 27 March 2019.

## NOTICE OF PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE **DECLARED PURPOSE PURSUANT** TO SECTION 34A (2) OF THE **CROWN LANDS ACT 1989**

PURSUANT to section 34A (2) (b) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown reserve with the declared public purpose specified in Column 2 of the Schedule, is to be used or occupied for a purpose other than the declared purpose specified in Column 1 of the Schedule.

## KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Grazing (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 508895)

Column 2 Reserve No. 93

Public Purpose: Camping, other public purposes Notified: 8 July 1878 File Reference: 13/03704 Reserve No. 98011 Public Purpose: Access Notified: 6 December 1985 File Reference: 13/03704

## **MOREE OFFICE**

Frome Street (PO Box 388), Moree NSW 2400 Phone: (02) 6752 5055 Fax: (02) 6752 1707

#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

PURSUANT to section 93 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the persons whose names are specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder are appointed, for the terms of office specified in that Column, as members of the trust board for the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which has been established and appointed as trustee of the reserve referred to opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

### KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Jennifer May Eulah Creek **CHAPMAN** Recreation (re-appointment) Reserve Trust **David Stanley MORRIS** (re-appointment) Wayne Frederick **MADDEN** (new member) Jennifer Kay **WALLIS** (new member) Amanda Daphne **CLARK** (new member) David Lawrence **LARSEN** (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 3 Reserve No. 62112 Public Purpose: Public recreation

Notified: 12 September 1930 File Ref.: ME81R12-003

## NOTICE OF PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE DECLARED PURPOSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A(2) OF THE **CROWN LANDS ACT 1989**

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> KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Agriculture (Relevant Interest -Section 34A Licence – RI 533497);

Grazing (Relevant Interest -Section 34A Licence -RI 533497)

Column 2 Reserve No. 160003 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 17 October 1986

File Reference: 14/03121

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 **Kaye Shirley** Moree Homes **BERGER** For The Aged (new member) Reserve Trust Jacqueline Myrtle **McNAMARA** (re-appointment) Lorraine Helen **BARTEL** (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 3 Reserve No. 80710 Public Purpose: Homes for the aged Notified: 30 May 1958 File Ref.: ME81R74

## **NEWCASTLE OFFICE**

# 437 Hunter Street, Newcastle NSW 2300 (PO Box 2215, Dangar NSW 2309)

Phone: (02) 1300 886 235 Fax: (02) 4925 3517

## NOTIFICATION OF CLOSING OF A ROAD

IN pursuance of the provisions of the Roads Act 1993, the road hereunder described is closed and the lands comprised therein cease to be public road and the rights of passage and access that previously existed in relation to the road is extinguished. Upon closing, title to the land, comprising the former public road, vests in the body specified in the Schedule hereunder.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P.,

Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

Description

Parish – Mulgunnia; County – Georgiana Land District – Blayney; LGA – Bathurst Regional

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1197276.

File No.: 12/03137

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1197276 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

Description

Parish – Hunters Hill; County – Cumberland Land District – Metropolitan; LGA – Ryde

Road Closed: Lots 1-3, DP 1196667.

File No.: 13/12995

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lots 1-3, DP 1196667 remains vested in City of Ryde Council as operational land for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1993.

Council Reference: COR2007/1377

Description

Parish – Lindsay; County – Bathurst Land District – Blayney; LGA – Blayney

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1194417.

File No.: OE06H32

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1194417 becomes vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown Land.

Council's reference: W392746

Description

Parish – Lennox; County – Bathurst Land District – Orange; LGA – Cabonne

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 119105.

File No.: 10/18934

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 119105 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

Description

Parish – Lett; County – Cook Land District – Lithgow; LGA – Lithgow

Road Closed: Lots 1-3, DP 1199371.

File No.: 13/10768

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lots 1-3, DP 1199371 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

Description

Parish – Eugowra; County – Ashburnham Land District – Forbes; LGA – Forbes

Road Closed: Lot 9, DP 1197685.

File No.: 14/01750

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 9, DP 1197685 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

Description

Parish – Noonbah; County – Gregory Land District – Warren; LGA – Warren

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1199413.

File No.: 09/15437:JT

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1199413 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

Description

Parish – Wandawandong & Wagstaff; County – Gordon Land District – Molong; LGA – Cabonne

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1199407.

File No.: 13/11129

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1199407 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

Description

Parish – Burrawong; County – Gordon Land District – Molong; LGA – Cabonne

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1199134.

File No.: CL/00818

Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1199134 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Avisford; County – Wellington Land District – Mudgee; LGA – Mid-Western Regional

Road Closed: Lots 1-4, DP 721964.

File No.: 12/03178

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lots 1-4, DP 721964 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Wagstaff; County – Gordon Land District – Molong; LGA – Cabonne

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1199119.

File No.: 13/11132

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1199119 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Collett; County – Ashburnham Land District – Molong; LGA – Cabonne

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1198049 (subject to easements and right of access created by Deposited Plan DP 1198049).

File No.: 13/11983

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1198049 becomes vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

Council's reference: 482009

#### Description

Parish – Gundi; County – Gowen Land District – Coonabarabran; LGA – Warrumbungle

Road Closed: Lot 4, DP 1190123.

File No.: 10/09856

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 4, DP 1190123 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Williams; County – Hardinge Land District – Armidale; LGA – Guyra

Road Closed: Lot 1, DP 1198321.

File No.: 10/05302

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 1, DP 1198321 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

#### Description

Parish – Binalong; County – Harden Land District – Boorowa; LGA – Yass Valley

Road Closed: Lot 8, DP 1194774.

File No.: 12/06692:AD

#### Schedule

On closing, the land within Lot 8, DP 1194774 remains vested in the State of New South Wales as Crown land.

## **NOWRA OFFICE**

## 5 O'Keefe Avenue (PO Box 309), Nowra NSW 2541

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#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

PURSUANT to section 93 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the persons whose names are specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder are appointed, for the terms of office specified in that Column, as members of the trust board for the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which has been established and appointed as trustee of the reserve referred to opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

### KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 Rodney Paul Candelo Dedication No. 580106 **FISH** Showground Public Purpose: (new member) Trust Showground David Anthony Notified: 19 September **HEFFERNAN** 1884 (re-appointment) File Ref.: NA80R295 Nathan Thomas **HENNESSY** (new member) Tabitha Renee **BILANIWSKYJ-ZARINS** (re-appointment) Marie Mildred **HACKETT** (new member) Keith John **COLEMAN** (new member) Charles Sydney DAY (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

## NOTICE OF PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE DECLARED PURPOSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A (2) OF THE CROWN LANDS ACT 1989

PURSUANT to section 34A (2) (b) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown reserve with the declared public purpose specified in Column 2 of the Schedule, is to be used or occupied for a purpose other than the declared purpose specified in Column 1 of the Schedule.

## KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Fish Cleaning Sink (Relevant Interest -Section 34A Licence – RI 526769); Jetty (Relevant Interest -Section 34A Licence -RI 526769): Ramp (Relevant Interest -Section 34A Licence -RI 526769); Reclamation (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 526769); Slipway (Relevant Interest -Section 34A Licence -RI 526769): Wharf (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence -RI 526769)

Column 2
Reserve No. 56146
Public Purpose: Generally
Notified: 11 May 1923
File Reference: 13/16091
Reserve No. 1011268
Public Purpose: Future
public requirements
Notified: 3 February 2006
File Reference: 13/16091

## **ORANGE OFFICE**

# 92 Kite Street (PO Box 2146), Orange NSW 2800 Phone: (02) 6391 4300 Fax: (02) 6362 3896

### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

PURSUANT to section 93 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the persons whose names are specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder are appointed, for the terms of office specified in that Column, as members of the trust board for the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which has been established and appointed as trustee of the reserve referred to opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

Column 3

Reserve No. 43144

Racecourse, showground

Notified: 14 October 1908

File Ref.: OE80R309-003

Public Purpose:

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2

Colin John Bogan Gate
McKAY Showground
(re-appointment) and Racecourse
David Stanley Trust

NOCK 1rust

(re-appointment) Robert

William
McINTYRE
(re-appointment)
Ian Vivian
COOMBS
(re-appointment)
For a term commencing
the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 3

1927

Reserve No. 60012

recreation

Public Purpose: Public

Notified: 30 September

File Ref.: OE80R95-004

Column 1 Column 2

Brian KUHNER Capertee
(re-appointment) Recreation
Susan Donna Reserve Trust
BENNETT
(re-appointment)
Arthur Thomas
RENNETT

Arthur Thomas
BENNETT
(re-appointment)
Patrick Arthur
BENNETT
(new member)
Sharon Anne
CUTAJAR
(new member)
Gilberto Romao
Quintal DIAS
(new member)
Graham James
ANNOVAZZI
(new member)

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 1 Column 2

Kevin William Yetholme PORTER Recreation (re-appointment) Reserve Trust

Elizabeth Deborah IRVINE

(re-appointment) Robert Bruce PORTER

(re-appointment)

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 3

**SCHEDULE** 

Reserve No. 45152 Public Purpose: Public recreation

Notified: 13 April 1910 File Ref.: OE80R344-004

#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

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KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2

Valerie June Peak Hill

CANNON Showground

(re-appointment) Trust

Adam Peter

CANNON

CANNON (new member) Gregory John BELL (new member)

Sheridan Gaye KIRK (new member) Benjamin Merrick STANFORD (new member) Leanne Joy BYRNE (new member)

For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 3
Dedication No. 590055
Public Purpose:
Showground
Notified: 19 October 1894
File Ref.: OE80R279-003

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 George William The Reefs WHALAN Recreation (re-appointment) Reserve Trust Emma Maree WHALAN (new member) Charles Henry LAMBURN (re-appointment) Luke Jerome **ADAMSON** (new member) Kim Frances LYNCH (new member) For a term commencing the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 3

Reserve No. 90827 Public Purpose: Public recreation

Notified: 15 July 1977 File Ref.: OE80R311

#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

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KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Geoffrey James Canowindra **BEATH** Showground (re-appointment) and Racecourse Donald Brian Trust **PERCIVAL** (re-appointment) William George **BUSSMAN** (re-appointment) Sam Grahame **STRANGER** (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 3
Reserve No. 47413
Public Purpose:
Racecourse,
showground
Notified: 24 January
1912

File Ref.: OE80R241-007

## SYDNEY METROPOLITAN OFFICE

## Level 12, Macquarie Tower, 10 Valentine Avenue, Parramatta NSW 2150 (PO Box 3935, Parramatta NSW 2124)

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## APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

PURSUANT to section 93 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the persons whose names are specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder are appointed, for the terms of office specified in that Column, as members of the trust board for the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which has been established and appointed as trustee of the reserve referred to opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

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## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 David Frederick Katandra **MALIN** Bushland (new member) Sanctuary Marita MacRAE (R86487) (re-appointment) Reserve Trust David JAMES (re-appointment) Luke James **STONE** (new member) Peter **HAMMOND** (re-appointment) Lachlan LAURIE (re-appointment) **David Charles** 

**SEYMOUR** 

(re-appointment)

For a term commencing

the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 3 Reserve No. 86487 Public Purpose: Promotion of the study and the preservation of native flora and fauna Notified: 27 October 1967 File Reference: MN80R251-004

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#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 Reserve No. 65042 Sally Louise Dundundra WHITE Falls (R65042) (re-appointment) Reserve Trust Jill Marion

Public Purpose: Public recreation Notified: 11 January 1935 **HAWKER** File Reference: (new member) MN80R291-003

Andrew **SUTCLIFFE** (re-appointment) Tracey **POULTER** (re-appointment) Glenda Margaret **SPRESSER** (new member) For a term commencing the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

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#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Geoffrev Keith Mt Irvine NAYLOR Public Hall (re-appointment) (R.60844) John LEE Reserve Trust (re-appointment) Elisabeth GUNN (re-appointment) Carol Ann **CARRIGAN** (new member) Alan William **GUNN** (new member) Kathleen Patricia **HARRINGTON** (new member) James TZANNES (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

Notified: 30 November 1928

Public Purpose: Public

Reserve No. 60844

Column 3

hall

File Ref.: MN80R166

## ORDER – AUTHORISATION OF ADDITIONAL PURPOSE UNDER SECTION 121A

PURSUANT to section 121A of the Crown Lands Act 1989, I authorise by this Order, the purpose specified in Column 1 to be an additional purpose to the declared purpose of the reserves specified opposite thereto in Column 2 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P.,

Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2

Community Purposes Public Park No. 1002873

Public Purpose: Public park Notified: 28 July 1885 File Reference: MN02R25

## TAREE OFFICE

#### 98 Victoria Street (PO Box 440), Taree NSW 2430 Phone: (02) 6591 3500 Fax: (02) 6552 2816

Column 1

#### APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

PURSUANT to section 93 of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the persons whose names are specified in Column 1 of the Schedule hereunder are appointed, for the terms of office specified in that Column, as members of the trust board for the reserve trust specified opposite thereto in Column 2, which has been established and appointed as trustee of the reserve referred to opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

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#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 2 Column 1 Belmore River Julia Kirsten **SILLITOE** Recreation (re-appointment) Reserve Trust Pauline June **KESBY** (re-appointment) **Brett Thomas BERRIGAN** (re-appointment) Lloyd John DAVIS (re-appointment) Ivan Ronald SILLITOE (re-appointment) For a term commencing the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

the date of this notice and

expiring 11 September 2019.

Column 3 Reserve No. 72919 Public Purpose: Public hall, public recreation Notified: 3 December 1948 File Ref .: 14/01112

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2 Column 3 Terry Francis Little Plain Reserve No. 63643 **CLEAR** Recreation Public Purpose: Public (re-appointment) and Public Hall recreation, Vivian Claire Reserve Trust showground, public hall **REVITT** (re-appointment) Notified: 18 November John Clarence 1932 File Ref .: 14/01113 **SIMEON** (re-appointment) Jeffrey NICHOLLS (re-appointment) For a term commencing

## APPOINTMENT OF TRUST BOARD MEMBERS

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> KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 3

recreation

Column 2

Kimble Rollands Plains Reserve No. 35451 Raymond Recreation Public Purpose: Public **HIGGINS** Reserve Trust (new member) Notified: 6 December 1902 Ronald File Ref.: TE80R183 **HOPKINS** (re-appointment) Janice **THOMPSON** (new member) Phillip Wayne **MORTON** (re-appointment) Neil Richard **JONES** (new member) David Powell MOXEY (new member) Stewart Donald **McNEICE** (new member) For a term commencing the date of this notice and expiring 11 September 2019.

## NOTICE OF PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE DECLARED PURPOSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A (2) OF THE **CROWN LANDS ACT 1989**

PURSUANT to section 34A (2) (b) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown reserve with the declared public purpose specified in Column 2 of the Schedule, is to be used or occupied for a purpose other than the declared purpose specified in Column 1 of the Schedule.

> KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

> > Column 2

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Berthing Area (Relevant Interest -Section 34A Licence -RI 538161)

Reserve No. 56146 Public Purpose: Generally Notified: 11 May 192 File Reference: 14/06644 Reserve No. 1011268 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 3 February 2006 File Reference: 14/06644 Reserve No. 1011970 Public Purpose: Access and public requirements, tourism purposes and environmental and heritage conservation Notified: 28 July 2006 File Reference: 14/06644

NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT GAZETTE No. 76

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Column 2

Berthing Area & Access (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 515904) Reserve No. 1011970 Public Purpose: Access and public requirements, tourism purposes and environmental and heritage conservation

Notified: 28 July 2006 File Reference: 13/12176

## WAGGA WAGGA OFFICE

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## NOTICE OF PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE DECLARED PURPOSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A (2) OF THE CROWN LANDS ACT 1989

PURSUANT to section 34A (2) (b) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown reserve with the declared public purpose specified in Column 2 of the Schedule, is to be used or occupied for a purpose other than the declared purpose specified in Column 1 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P.,

Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2

Environmental Protection Reserve No. 98028 and Sustainable Grazing Public Purpose:

(Relevant Interest – Environmental protection Section 34A Licence – Notified: 20 December 1985 RI 529851) File Reference: 14/01047

### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1 Column 2

Environmental Protection and Sustainable Grazing (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 531985)

Reserve No. 751399
Public Purpose: Future public requirements
Notified: 29 June 2007
File Reference: 14/01867

NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT GAZETTE No. 76

## WESTERN REGION OFFICE

# 45 Wingewarra Street, Dubbo NSW 2830 (PO Box 2185, Dangar NSW 2309)

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# ALTERATION OF CORPORATE NAME OF RESERVE TRUST

PURSUANT to section 92 (3) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the corporate name of the reserve trust specified in Schedule 1 hereunder, which is trustee of the reserve referred to in Schedule 2, is altered to the corporate name specified in Schedule 3.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

### SCHEDULE 1

Broken Hill Entertainment Centre Reserve Trust

#### SCHEDULE 2

Reserve No. 91212

Public Purpose: Municipal purposes

Notified: 4 August 1978 File Reference: WL86R269-1

#### **SCHEDULE 3**

Broken Hill Civic Centre Reserve Trust

### ORDER – AUTHORISATION OF ADDITIONAL PURPOSE UNDER SECTION 121A

PURSUANT to section 121A of the Crown Lands Act 1989, I authorise by this Order, the purpose specified in Column 1 to be an additional purpose to the declared purpose of the reserves specified opposite thereto in Column 2 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

#### **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Column 2

Community Purposes

Reserve No. 12859 Public Purpose: Public

recreation

Notified: 1 November 1890 File Reference: WL91R17-1

## NOTICE OF PURPOSE OTHER THAN THE DECLARED PURPOSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A (2) OF THE CROWN LANDS ACT 1989

PURSUANT to section 34A (2) (b) of the Crown Lands Act 1989, the Crown reserve with the declared public purpose specified in Column 2 of the Schedule, is to be used or occupied for a purpose other than the declared purpose specified in Column 1 of the Schedule.

KEVIN HUMPHRIES, M.P., Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

## **SCHEDULE**

Column 1

Dugout (Relevant Interest – Section 34A Licence – RI 534397) Column 2
Reserve N

Reserve No. 1013834 Public Purpose: Future public requirements Notified: 29 June 2007 File Reference: 14/03638

# **Other Notices**

#### ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT 2009

Cancellation of Incorporation Pursuant to Section 76

TAKE notice that the incorporation of the following associations is cancelled by this notice pursuant to section 76 of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009.

Macquarie Poultry Club Incorporated – Inc9882059

International Jousting Association – Australian Chapter Incorporated – Inc9880584

Cessnock District Poultry Club Incorporated – Inc9881746

Salamander Tavern Social Club Incorporated – Inc9881628

Roches Resort Tennis Club Incorporated – Inc9879275

The Thunderbirds Cricket Club Incorporated – Inc9881053

That's All Incorporated – Inc9878304

Mayfield OOSH Care Incorporated – Inc9882062

Creative Precinct Incorporated – Inc9882276

Turtle Crusher Association Incorporated – Inc9880945

Newcastle Citizens Group Established 1941 Incorporated – Inc9882029

Hunter Arbitrators Incorporated – Inc9882186

The World Fellowship of the Universal World Church Incorporated – Inc9877393

The Grainery Theatre Company Incorporated – Inc9877496

Rocketart Incorporated – Inc9878406

Intrados Gallery Incorporated – Inc9879991

Tumut High School Industry Advisory Group Incorporated – Y2123944

The Books RLFC Incorporated - Y2215643

Creating Community Change Incorporated – Inc9881869

Wagga International Speedway Club Incorporated – Y1225302

St Monica's Out of School Hours Care Incorporated – Inc9884110

Muttama Tennis Club Incorporated - Inc9878824

Peace Beats Incorporated - Inc9878635

Cabarita Beach Amateur Fishing Club Inc – Y0944611

Mutley Media Incorporated - Y2321205

Australian Kabaddi Federation Incorporated – Inc9890117

131Access Incorporated – Inc9893885

Wyong Shire Ratepayers and Residents Association Inc – Y1677648

Australian Footvolley Federation Incorporated – Inc1301436

Moruya Heritage & Progress Association Incorporated – Inc1200048

Friends of Angel-Rose Incorporated – Inc1300745

Ladybird Loves Incorporated - Inc9895244

Rebuild Foundation Incorporated – Inc9897572

Australian Federation of Chinese & Mandarin Entrepreneurs Incorporated – Inc9887105

Pelican Rescue and Research Incorporated – Inc1301359

Central Riverina Landcare Network Incorporated – Inc9875106

Cancer Friends New Life Australia Incorporated – Inc9895385

GDUT Alumni ANZ Incorporated – Inc9877731

World Women Wisdom Incorporated – Inc9893304

The Pep Group Incorporated – Inc9880227

Hunter Ducati Owners Group Incorporated – Inc9884936

Families Incorporated – Inc9888290

Organizations Union of Syrian Civil Society Incorporated – Inc1200028

Australian Supporter for Syrian National Council Incorp – Inc9896181

Australian Bionic Eye Foundation Incorporated – Inc9879024

Voices in Action Incorporated - Inc1300174

Australian Tamils for Justice and Equality Incorpora

– Inc9892357

Great Artesian Drive Incorporated – Inc9897276

Lower Macquarie Community & Farmers Group Association Incorpo – Inc9888169

Long Street Espresso Incorporated – Inc1200064

SSAA NSW Forbes Branch – Pistol Club Incorporated – Inc1300435

Australian Shanghainese Fellowship Association Incorporated – Inc9895810

Kiama Pipe Band Incorporated - Inc1400696

Cancellation is effective as at the date of gazettal.

Dated this 10th day of September 2014.

ROBYNE LUNNEY, Delegate of the Commissioner, NSW Fair Trading

## **ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT 2009**

Cancellation of Incorporation Pursuant to Section 74

TAKE notice that the incorporation of the following associations is cancelled by this notice pursuant to section 74 of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009.

The Challenge of Champions Incorporated – Inc9889907

Dae Han Moo Do Kwan Incorporated – Inc9889908

The Australian Rugby Legends Incorporated – Inc9887528

Compagnia Teatrale Italiana Incorporated – Y2337820

Lennox Head Community Sports & Recreation Club Incorporated – Inc1200300

Kalahari 4x4 Club Incorporated - Inc9883661

Coolangatta Tweed Heads Ladies Probus Club Inc – Y1515242 West of Range Landcare Incorporated – Inc9883071 Northern Rivers Tourism Incorporated – Y2205745

Cancellation is effective as at the date of gazettal.

Dated 10th day of September 2014.

ROBYNE LUNNEY, Delegate of the Commissioner, NSW Fair Trading

#### **EDUCATION ACT 1990**

LAND ACQUISITION (JUST TERMS COMPENSATION) ACT 1991

Notice of Compulsory Acquisition of Land for Public School

THE Minister for Education, with the approval of Her Excellency the Governor, declares by his delegate that the land described in the schedule below is acquired by compulsory process under the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for the purposes of Education Act 1990.

Dated at Sydney, this 6th day of August, 2014.

ANTHONY PERRAU, Delegate of the Minister for Education

#### **SCHEDULE**

All the piece or parcel of land situated in the Local Government Area of North Sydney, Parish of Willoughby, County of Cumberland and in the State of New South Wales being Lots 602, 603, 604, 605 & 606 in Deposited Plan 752067.

# ELECTRICITY GENERATOR ASSETS (AUTHORISED TRANSACTIONS) ACT 2012

LAND ACQUISITION (JUST TERMS COMPENSATION) ACT 1991

Notice of Compulsory Acquisition of Land for Purposes of the Act

THE Electricity Assets Ministerial Holding Corporation, with the approval of Her Excellency the Governor, declares that the lands described in the schedule below are acquired by compulsory process under the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for the purposes of the Electricity Generator Assets (Authorised Transactions) Act 2012.

Dated at Sydney, this 3rd day of September 2014.

ANDREW CONSTANCE,

Treasurer for

**Electricity Assets Ministerial Holding Corporation** 

#### **SCHEDULE**

All that piece or parcel of land situated at Mannering Park in the Parish of Wallarah, County of Northumberland and the Local Government Area of Wyong identified as Lot 1 in Deposited Plan 1198253 and being part of the land comprised in Lot 7330, DP1148105 described as part of Folio Identifier 7330/1148105, part of the land comprised in Lot 7329, DP1148149 described as part of Folio Identifier 7329/1148149 and part of the bed of Salt Creek but excluding:

- (a) Easement for Sewerage Pipeline 5 metres wide affecting the part of Lot 7330, DP1148105 and the part of Lot 7329, DP1148149 shown so burdened in DP644977, notification in Government Gazette dated 10.7.1992 Folios 4917-4918, and
- (b) Easement for Transmission Line variable width affecting the part of Lot 7330, DP1148105 and the part of Lot 7329, DP1148149 designated (F) in DP1065718.

All that part of the bed of Mannering Creek separating Lot 22, DP755242 and Lot 7077, DP1056107 situated at Wyee in the Parish of Morisset, County of Northumberland and the Local Government Area of Lake Macquarie identified as Lot 1 in Deposited Plan 1195160.

All that piece or parcel of land situated at Mannering Park in the Parish of Wallarah, County of Northumberland and the Local Government Area of Wyong identified as Lot 7077 in Deposited Plan 1056107 and described as Folio Identifier 7077/1056107.

All that piece or parcel of land situated at Mannering Park in the Parish of Wallarah, County of Northumberland and the Local Government Area of Wyong identified as Lot 1 in Deposited Plan 1195202 and being part of the land comprised in Lot 7332, DP 1148185, described as part of Folio Identifier 7332/1148185.

# ELECTRICITY GENERATOR ASSETS (AUTHORISED TRANSACTIONS) ACT 2012

LAND ACQUISITION (JUST TERMS COMPENSATION) ACT 1991

Notice of Compulsory Acquisition of Land for Purposes of the Act

THE Electricity Assets Ministerial Holding Corporation, with the approval of Her Excellency the Governor, declares that the easements described in the schedule below are acquired by compulsory process under the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for the purposes of the Electricity Generator Assets (Authorised Transactions) Act 2012.

Dated at Sydney, this 3rd day of September 2014

ANDREW CONSTANCE,

Treasurer for

**Electricity Assets Ministerial Holding Corporation** 

## **SCHEDULE**

#### Easements only

All that piece or parcel of land situated at Mannering Park in the Parish of Wallarah, County of Northumberland and the Local Government Area of Wyong being part of the land comprised in Lot 2, DP1198253 shown as "Proposed Easement for drainage of water 5.8 wide" designated "(G)" on Deposited Plan 1198253.

The terms and conditions of this easement are as follows:

- "1. The body having the benefit of this easement may at its expense:
  - (a) from time to time and at all times drain water in any quantities through each lot burdened, but only within the site of this easement, and

- (b) do anything reasonably necessary for that purpose, including:
  - entering the lot burdened, and
  - taking anything on to the lot burdened, but only in the vicinity of the site of this easement, and for a reasonable period and to the extent reasonably required to exercise the rights under this easement, and
  - carrying out work, such as constructing, placing, installing, repairing, maintaining or replacing infrastructure and equipment.
- 2. In exercising those powers, the body having the benefit of this easement must:
  - (a) ensure all work is done in a proper and workmanlike manner, and
  - (b) cause as little inconvenience as is practicable to the owner of the lot burdened, and
  - (c) cause as little damage as is practicable to the lot burdened and any improvement on it, and
  - (d) restore the lot burdened as nearly as is practicable to its former condition, and
  - (e) make good any collateral damage.
- 3. The body having the benefit of this easement must, at its own expense, maintain the site of this easement, including any infrastructure and equipment, in good condition and repair to the reasonable satisfaction of the owner of the lot burdened.
- 4. Subject to the operation of any relevant statute, the body having the benefit of this easement must indemnify and keep indemnified the owner of the lot burdened and its employees, agents and contractors ("those indemnified") from and against:
  - all costs, charges and expenses that those indemnified may incur in respect of any breach of the terms of easement by the body having the benefit of this easement and any persons authorised by that body, and
  - all actions, suits, claims and demands of whatsoever nature that may be brought against those indemnified and all costs, charges and expenses that those indemnified may incur in respect of any accident, injury and death and/ or damage or loss including indirect loss to any person or property, to the extent that they are contributed to or caused by the use and occupation of the site of this easement or the exercise of its rights under this easement by the body having the benefit of this easement and any persons authorised by that body despite that:
    - the terms and conditions of this easement have in all respects been observed by the body having the benefit of this easement, or
    - any such accident, injury and/or damage or loss arises from any act or thing that the body having the benefit of this easement may be authorised or compelled to do by the terms and conditions of this easement, and

- provided however that this indemnity will not be deemed to cover any action, suit, claim, demand, costs, charge or expense to the extent arising from negligence on the part of any of those indemnified. For the avoidance of doubt, this clause does not operate to restrict the rights of those indemnified to seek damages at common law or in equity.
- The rights granted to the body having the benefit of this easement extend to and for the benefit of any persons authorised by that body including the body's employees, officers, agents, contractors and licensees.
- 6. The person empowered to release, vary or modify this easement is the body having the benefit of this easement with the consent of the owner of the lot burdened. The person empowered to release this easement is the body having the benefit of this easement however should this easement be released, cancelled or extinguished the body having the benefit of this easement will, at its cost, promptly remove all infrastructure and equipment situated at or aboveground from the site of this easement (unless otherwise notified, and then only to the extent required, by the owner of the lot burdened)."

All that piece or parcel of land situated at Mannering Park in the Parish of Wallarah, County of Northumberland and the Local Government Area of Wyong being part of the land comprised in Lot 2, DP1198253:

- (a) shown as "Proposed Right of access 5.067 wide" designated "(H)" on Deposited Plan 1198253, and
- (b) shown as "Proposed Right of access variable width" designated "(J)" on Deposited Plan 1198253.

The terms and conditions of these easements are as follows:

- "1. The body having the benefit of this easement may:
  - (a) by any reasonable means pass across each lot burdened, but only within the site of this easement,
  - (b) do anything reasonably necessary for passing across each such lot, including:
    - · entering the lot burdened, and
    - taking anything including vehicles on to the lot burdened, and
    - carrying out work within the site of this easement, such as constructing, placing, repairing or maintaining trafficable surfaces or structures.
- 2. In exercising those powers, the body having the benefit of this easement must:
  - (a) ensure all work is done properly, and
  - (b) cause as little inconvenience as is practicable to the owner of the lot burdened, and
  - (c) cause as little damage as is practicable to the lot burdened and any improvement on it, and
  - (d) restore the lot burdened as nearly as is practicable to its former condition, and
  - (e) make good any collateral damage.

- 3. Subject to the operation of any relevant statute, the body having the benefit of this easement must indemnify and keep indemnified the owner of the lot burdened and its employees, agents and contractors ("those indemnified") from and against:
  - all costs, charges and expenses that those indemnified may incur in respect of any breach of the terms of easement by the body having the benefit of this easement and any persons authorised by that body, and
  - all actions, suits, claims and demands of whatsoever nature that may be brought against those indemnified and all costs, charges and expenses that those indemnified may incur in respect of any accident, injury and death and/ or damage or loss including indirect loss to any person or property, to the extent that they are contributed to or caused by the use and occupation of the site of this easement by the body having the benefit of this easement and any persons authorised by that body despite that:
    - the terms and conditions of this easement have in all respects been observed by the body having the benefit of this easement, or
    - any such accident, injury and/or damage or loss arises from any act or thing that the body having the benefit of this easement may be authorised or compelled to do by the terms and conditions of this easement, and

provided however that this indemnity will not be deemed to cover any action, suit, claim, demand, costs, charge or expense to the extent arising from negligence on the part of any of those indemnified. For the avoidance of doubt, this clause does not operate to restrict the rights of those indemnified to seek damages at common law or in equity.

- 4. The rights granted to the body having the benefit of this easement extend to and for the benefit of any persons authorised by that body including the body's employees, officers, agents, contractors and licensees.
- 5. The person empowered to vary or modify this right of access is the body having the benefit of this easement with the consent of the owner of the lot burdened. The person empowered to release this easement is the body having the benefit of this easement."

All that piece or parcel of land situated at Mannering Park in the Parish of Wallarah, County of Northumberland and the Local Government Area of Wyong being part of the land comprised in Lot 3, DP1195202 shown as "Proposed Right of access 3 wide" designated "(E)" on Deposited Plan 1195202.

The terms and conditions of these easements are as follows:

- "1. The body having the benefit of this easement may:
  - (a) by any reasonable means pass across each lot burdened, but only within the site of this easement,

- (b) do anything reasonably necessary for passing across each such lot, including:
  - · entering the lot burdened, and
  - taking anything including vehicles on to the lot burdened, and
  - carrying out work within the site of this easement, such as constructing, placing, repairing or maintaining trafficable surfaces or structures.
- In exercising those powers, the body having the benefit of this easement must:
  - (a) ensure all work is done properly, and
  - (b) cause as little inconvenience as is practicable to the owner of the lot burdened, and
  - (c) cause as little damage as is practicable to the lot burdened and any improvement on it, and
  - (d) restore the lot burdened as nearly as is practicable to its former condition, and
  - (e) make good any collateral damage.
- 3. Subject to the operation of any relevant statute, the body having the benefit of this easement must indemnify and keep indemnified the owner of the lot burdened and its employees, agents and contractors ("those indemnified") from and against:
  - all costs, charges and expenses that those indemnified may incur in respect of any breach of the terms of easement by the body having the benefit of this easement and any persons authorised by that body, and
  - all actions, suits, claims and demands of whatsoever nature that may be brought against those indemnified and all costs, charges and expenses that those indemnified may incur in respect of any accident, injury and death and/ or damage or loss including indirect loss to any person or property, to the extent that they are contributed to or caused by the use and occupation of the site of this easement by the body having the benefit of this easement and any persons authorised by that body despite that:
    - the terms and conditions of this easement have in all respects been observed by the body having the benefit of this easement, or
    - any such accident, injury and/or damage or loss arises from any act or thing that the body having the benefit of this easement may be authorised or compelled to do by the terms and conditions of this easement, and

provided however that this indemnity will not be deemed to cover any action, suit, claim, demand, costs, charge or expense to the extent arising from negligence on the part of any of those indemnified. For the avoidance of doubt, this clause does not operate to restrict the rights of those indemnified to seek damages at common law or in equity.

4. The rights granted to the body having the benefit of this easement extend to and for the benefit of any persons authorised by that body including the body's employees, officers, agents, contractors and licensees. 5. The person empowered to vary or modify this right of access is the body having the benefit of this easement with the consent of the owner of the lot burdened. The person empowered to release this easement is the body having the benefit of this easement."

#### **GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES ACT 1966**

Notice to Amend Address Locality Boundaries in the Lismore Local Government Area

PURSUANT to the provisions of section 10 of the Geographical Names Act 1966, the Geographical Names Board hereby notifies that it has this day amended the address locality boundaries between Bentley and Larnook in the Lismore Local Government Area as shown on map GNB3628-1.

The position and extent of these features are shown in the Geographical Names Register of New South Wales which can be viewed on the Geographical Names Board's website at www.gnb.nsw.gov.au.

D.MOONEY, Chairman

Geographical Names Board, PO Box 143, Bathurst NSW 2795

**GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES ACT 1966** 

Notice to Amend Address Locality Boundaries in the Bega Valley Local Government Area

PURSUANT to the provisions of section 10 of the Geographical Names Act 1966, the Geographical Names Board hereby notifies that it has this day amended the address locality boundaries between South Pambula and Greigs Flat in the Bega Valley Local Government Area as shown on map GNB3735-3.

The position and extent of these features are shown in the Geographical Names Register of New South Wales which can be viewed on the Geographical Names Board's website at www.gnb.nsw.gov.au.

D.MOONEY, Chairman

Geographical Names Board, PO Box 143, Bathurst NSW 2795

NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE ACT 1974

Part Revocation of Proclamation

I, Her Excellency Professor The Honourable MARIE BASHIR, A.C., C.V.O., Governor of the State of New South Wales, with the advice of the Executive Council and in pursuance of the powers vested in me under section 68 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, with the consent of every owner and occupier do, on the recommendation of the Chief Executive of the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH), by this my Proclamation revoke part of the lands described as **East Ridgelands Wildlife Refuge** and notified in *NSW Government Gazette* No 92 of 13 July 1979.

Signed and sealed at Sydney this 25th day of June 2014

MARIE BASHIR, Governor

By Her Excellency's Command,

ROB STOKES, M.P., Minister for the Environment

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Description

Land District - Inverell; Council - Inverell

County of Arrawatta, Parish of Severn, 387 hectares, being Lot 22, DP 44694. OEH FIL W4195

#### PASSENGER TRANSPORT REGULATION 2007

Clause 76 (1) (c) Designation of Routes

Order

#### Bus passenger services

Transport for NSW, pursuant to clause 76 of the Passenger Transport Regulation 2007, does by this Order designate each of the following bus routes as a route for which a smartcard may be used:

Operator: State Transit Authority

Routes:

433	442	448
501	508	510

562

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998

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X04 560b

600a	605	609b	609d	611b	611e	615a
617a	619	628c	631	633	633b	633g
634b	634c	635	637b	637d	637f	638
639c	645a	646	659	659a	659b	659c
664c	665	670	670d	672d	680	680a
683	683c	690c	690d	691c	692d	692m
693f	695a	697				

To facilitate the progressive introduction of smartcard technology on the Operator's bus fleet, this Order applies only to buses displaying a sign "Opal bus" or "Opal on this bus".

## Date of effect

This Order takes effect on 17 September 2014.

Dated: 4 September 2014.

FERGUS GAMMIE, Deputy Director-General, Transport Services (a Delegate of Transport for NSW)

#### POISONS AND THERAPEUTIC GOODS ACT 1966

Order under Section 36

Exemption in Respect of the Sale of Regulated Goods by Automatic Machine

PURSUANT to subsection (4) of section 36 of the Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 1966, I, Bruce Battye, Acting Chief Pharmacist, a duly appointed delegate of the Minister for Health, do hereby grant an exemption to SevenAM Trading Pty Ltd and any person who occupies or controls premises in which SevenAM Trading Pty Ltd has installed automatic machines, from the provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of section 36 of the said Act, subject to the following conditions.

- The goods must be included in the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods (unless exempted from inclusion under the Commonwealth Therapeutic Goods Act 1989) and must not be intended primarily for children's use;
- The goods must not be any preparation which is included in a Schedule of the NSW Poisons List, as in force from time to time;
- 3. The goods must be supplied in the original unopened packs as supplied by the manufacturer;
- 4. All goods intended for internal use must be limited to a maximum of two adult doses in each supply;
- 5. The automatic machines must be installed in places not primarily frequented by children;
- 6. The automatic machines must be installed in places such that climatic conditions do not compromise the integrity of the goods stored within the machines;
- 7. A tracking system must be maintained to enable expiry date monitoring and to facilitate the recall of the goods as and when necessary;
- 8. The automatic machines must be clearly labelled with the full product labelling required for each product contained in the machine.

Signed this 9th day of September 2014.

BRUCE BATTYE, Acting Chief Pharmacist

# SURVEYING AND SPATIAL INFORMATION ACT 2002

Removal of Name from the Register of Surveyors

PURSUANT to the provisions of the Surveying and Spatial Information Act 2002, section 10A (1), the undermentioned Land Surveyors have been removed from the Register of Surveyors.

Name	Date of Removal	Date of Registration
ANDERSON Robert James	31 August 2014	21 March 1962
BAKKER Rohan Michael	1 September 2014	8 October 2009
BASILE Michael Warren	1 September 2014	19 October 1970
BOSLEM Shane Andrew	1 September 2014	15 October 2001
BURROWS Campbell Kent	1 September 2014	1 August 2011

BUTLER Mark Robert	1 September 2014	15 March 1985
CALNAN Graeme	1 September 2014	18 March 1977
CAMPBELL Thomas frank	1 September 2014	26 March 2012
CARTER Trevor James	1 September 2014	27 March 1995
CAVANAGH Allan William	31 August 2014	29 September 1969
COOKSON Michael Gordon	1 September 2014	17 May 1999
CROOKS Robert John	1 September 2014	1 May 1970
CROSS Ian Douglas	31 August 2014	21March 1978
CURTIS Vincent Paul	31 August 2014	22 March 1991
DIVE William James Clouston	1 September 2014	9 November 1964
DOHERTY Neil Edmond	1 September 2014	24 September 1982
DUNSTAN Richard John	31 August 2014	1 April 1974
ELLIS Richard Keith	31 August 2014	30 March 1990
ENRIGHT Peter Richard	31 August 2014	26 July 2011
ESTEPHAN Jason	1 September 2014	29 October 2008
FRANCIS Kenneth Lesleigh Alva	1 September 2014	30 September 1968
FRANKLIN Brian John	1 September 2014	22 October 1976
GALTON Robert William	31 August 2014	18 March 1977
GANDER Bruce Phillip	31 August 2014	13 March 1981
GLUIS Joel Mark	1 September 2014	24 September 2013
GOLLEDGE Geoffrey Allan	1 September 2014	14 September 1984
HAINGE Patrick Kenneth	31 August 2014	9 March 1962
HANCKEL Brenton Peter	1 September 2014	19 November 2009
HAYES Lance Edmond	1 September 2014	8 January 2004
KEABLE Raymond	1 September 2014	22 December 1997
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#### TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT 1988

LAND ACQUISITION (JUST TERMS COMPENSATION) ACT 1991

Notice of Compulsory Acquisition of Land for the Purposes of Transport for NSW

TRANSPORT for NSW, with the approval of Her Excellency the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council, declares that the lands described in the Schedules hereto are acquired by compulsory process under the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for the purposes of Transport for NSW, as authorised by the Transport Administration Act 1988.

Dated this first day of September 2014

BEVAN BROWN, Director Commercial, Transport Projects, Transport for NSW

#### SCHEDULE 1

All that piece or parcel of land situated at Killara, in the Local Government Area of Ku-ring-gai, Parish of Gordon, County of Cumberland and State of New South Wales being part of Lot 1 in Deposited Plan 119937 shown as Lot 161 in unregistered Deposited Plan 1196189 a copy of which is located in the offices of Transport for NSW at Chatswood and said to be in the ownership of The Council of the Municipality of Ku-ring-gai.

#### **SCHEDULE 2**

All that piece or parcel of land situated at Killara, in the Local Government Area of Ku-ring-gai, Parish of Gordon, County of Cumberland and State of New South Wales being part of Lot 6 Section 1 in Deposited Plan 3694 shown as Lot 162 in unregistered Deposited Plan 1196189 a copy of which is located in the offices of Transport for NSW at Chatswood and said to be in the ownership of The Council of the Municipality of Ku-ring-gai.

TfNSW Reference: 3245245 4.DOC

# SURVEYING AND SPATIAL INFORMATION REGULATION 2006

Certificate of Meritorious Service

PURSUANT to the provisions of Clause 83 of the Surveying and Spatial Information Regulation 2006, the undermentioned Land Surveyor has been awarded a Certificate of Meritorious Service, Posthumously, in recognition of long service and contribution to the surveying profession in New South Wales with effect 1 September 2014.

Name	Date of Removal	Date of Registration
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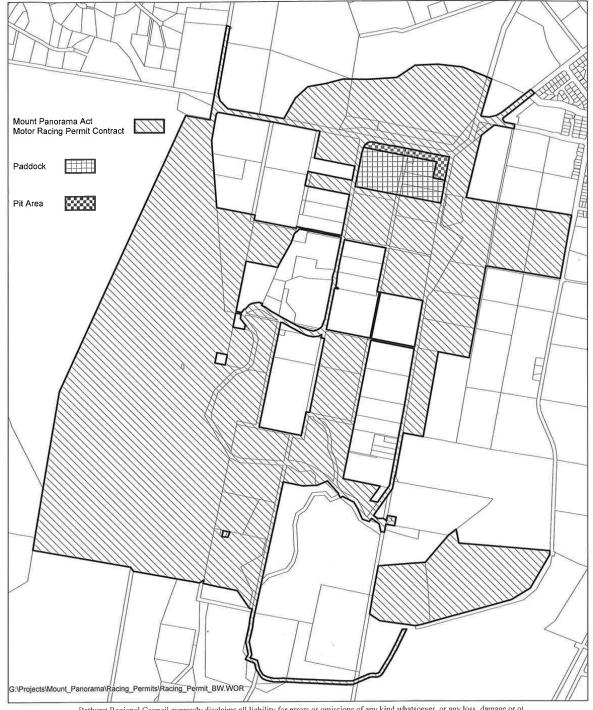
### MOUNT PANORAMA MOTOR RACING ACT 1989

# CONDUCT OF MOTOR RACING AND ASSOCIATED EVENTS MOUNT PANORAMA

IN pursuance of the provisions of section 4 of the Mount Panorama Motor Racing Act 1989, I declare that the lands, as shown by hatching on the diagram hereunder, shall constitute the Mount Panorama Circuit for the purpose of motor racing, practice and associated events during the period 9 October to 12 October 2014, both dates inclusive.

> STUART AYRES, M.P., Minister for Sport and Recreation

# BATHURST REGIONAL COUNCIL MOUNT PANORAMA MOTOR RACING ACT - PERMIT SUPERCHEAP AUTO BATHURST 1000 9-12 OCTOBER 2014



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Note: The colours on this Plan do not indicate zones under the Bathurst Local Environmental Plan 1997.

## CRIMES (DOMESTIC AND PERSONAL VIOLENCE) ACT 2007

#### **ORDER**

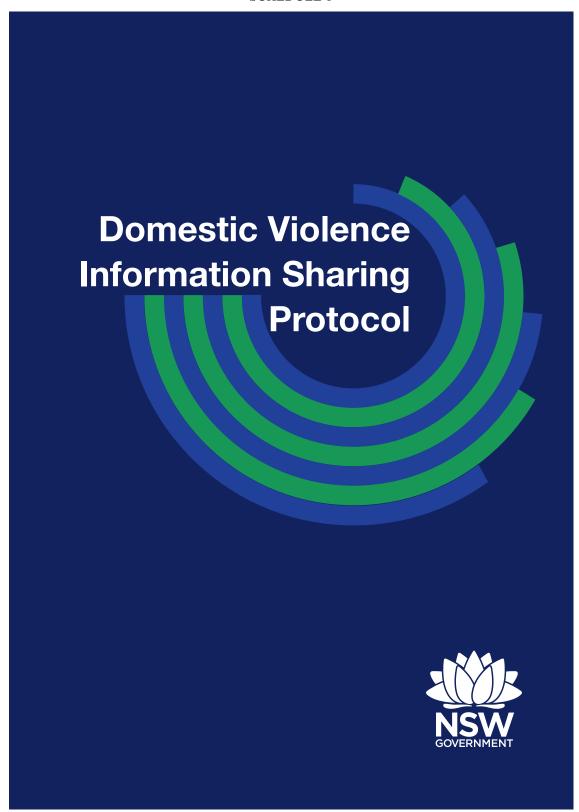
PURSUANT to section section 98O (1) of the Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007, the protocol in Schedule 1 to this order is made for the purposes of Part 13A of the Act.

#### **Commencement Date**

This order has effect from the 15 September 2014.

BRAD HAZZARD. M.P., Attorney General

SCHEDULE 1



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The Domestic Violence Information Sharing Protocol (Protocol) was developed by the NSW Department of Justice in partnership with government agencies, including the NSW Department of Family and Community Services (FACS), Legal Aid NSW, the NSW Police Force and NSW Health. It has also been informed by consultation with the NSW Information and Privacy Commission, and peak bodies and non-government agencies within the domestic violence sector.

The Protocol was developed to support the NSW Government's Domestic and Family Violence Framework for Reform and the Domestic Violence Justice Strategy, and the introduction of *It Stops Here: Safer Pathway* (Safer Pathway). This work reflects a shared commitment to improving the response to domestic and family violence through collaborative, integrated service provision and improved information sharing.

The Protocol is the result of consultations with individuals, victims of domestic violence, service providers and agencies across the state. It was informed by experts with experience working with victims and perpetrators of violence and, to improve the response to domestic and family violence, has considered information sharing responses that have worked in other Australian states and internationally.

The Department gratefully acknowledges and extends its thanks to persons and agencies for their contribution and advice in the development of the Protocol. Your perspectives were essential to ensure that the focus of the Protocol maintained a balance between safety for victims of domestic violence and their rights to privacy and confidentiality.

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# **Executive Summary**

The Domestic Violence Information Sharing Protocol (Protocol) explains how to share information under Part 13A of the *Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007* (Part 13A). At the heart of the Protocol is the safety and protection of victims and their children from domestic violence. Part 13A regulates information sharing in cases of domestic violence and has effect despite any provisions under NSW privacy legislation.

Public sector agencies, private organisations and individual service providers must comply with the Protocol when sharing the personal and/or health information of domestic violence victims, perpetrators and other persons under Part 13A. Part 13A and the Protocol reflect the importance of balancing the safety needs of domestic violence victims with individuals' rights to privacy.

The Protocol acknowledges that a significant number of victims have children in their care that are also victims or affected by domestic violence in the home. For this reason the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children is implied in all aspects of the information sharing provisions set out in the Protocol. Where children are victims or affected by domestic violence in the home, service providers who are prescribed bodies under the *Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998 (CYPCP Act)* must share information under Chapter 16A of that Act.

The Protocol is divided into the following chapters.

#### Chapter 1. Introduction

Provides information on the legal status of the Protocol and guidance to service providers on how to use the Protocol where they wish to share information under Part 13A.

#### Chapter 2. Definitions

Provides explanatory notes of the key terms used in the Protocol.

## Chapter 3. Protocol and service providers

Outlines how Part 13A and the Protocol apply to service providers within NSW. It also explains how service providers in NSW should share information with service providers in other jurisdictions.

## Chapter 4. Privacy laws and other legislation

Provides information on the interaction of Part 13A and the Protocol with NSW and Commonwealth privacy laws. It also explains how Part 13A and the Protocol interact with other legislation and policy with which service providers may be required to comply.

### Chapter 5. Protocol and child protection legislation

Outlines how Part 13A intersects with child protection legislation and how information sharing should occur where children are victims, are affected by domestic violence in the home, or where either the victim or the perpetrator is under the age of 18.

#### Chapter 6. Principle and objectives

Sets out the overarching principles that have guided the development of the Protocol and explains how service providers must be mindful of these at all times when sharing information under Part 13A and the Protocol.

#### Chapter 7. Information sharing under Part 13A

Outlines the legal threshold that allows personal and health information about victims, perpetrators and other persons to be shared between service providers where victims are at threat or at serious threat of domestic violence.

#### Chapter 8. Threat Identification

Outlines the process for consistent and early threat identification of victims of domestic violence to accurately identify victims' immediate and ongoing needs. It also includes provisions to help service providers know when and how to review threat assessments.

#### Chapter 9. Victim referral to support services

Explains the role of the Central Referral Point and the Local Coordination Points and provides information on referrals to address victims' safety needs. Some referrals are consent based while others are automatic and the victims' consent is sought at a later stage. This chapter explains this process. It also provides guidance on how to respond to information requests from other service providers and on contacting victims.

#### Chapter 10. Identification of victim and perpetrator

Outlines procedures to respond to situations where a service provider is unclear about the identification of the victim and the perpetrator, or where a victim is now identified as a perpetrator, or where both parties claim to be a victim.

#### Chapter 11. Conflict of interest

Outlines procedures to identify and manage conflicts of interest and, if required, how to return a referral for re-allocation.

### Chapter 12. Consent

Outlines the importance of seeking consent as an essential element of sharing and managing victims' personal and health information. It also sets out consent requirements for victims at threat and processes associated with gaining informed consent from victims.

#### Chapter 13. Serious threat

Outlines supplementary procedures where there is a serious threat to the life, health or safety of a victim, any children or other persons, and the requirements for sharing information without consent.

#### Chapter 14. Information management

Sets out best practice standards for protecting individuals' right to privacy and confidentiality, and outlines clear procedures governing what, how and when information can be shared under the Protocol.

## Chapter 15. Privileges and subpoenas

Provides assistance on how to respond to a subpoena and the existence of potential privileges at law in respect of health and personal information held in service provider files or databases.

### Chapter 16. Access

Outlines procedures regarding requests to access victim, perpetrator or third party health and personal information held in service provider files or databases.

### Chapter 17. Amendment

Outlines procedures regarding requests to amend victim and perpetrator health and personal information held in service provider files or databases.

### Chapter 18. Compliance

Sets out service providers' obligations regarding compliance with the Protocol to ensure they understand the limits of information sharing and their responsibilities under Part 13A. It explains the compliance framework and processes to manage non-compliance, breaches of information and the remedial actions to address these.

#### Chapter 19. Complaints

Outlines processes to deal with complaints that may arise from information sharing under the Protocol and the different requirements depending on whether a service provider is a government agency or a non-government organisation, and whether they are bound by NSW or other privacy laws.

#### Chapter 20. Review of the Protocol

Provides information on the process to review the Protocol and how service providers may contribute to the review and formal evaluation by providing feedback to the NSW Department of Justice.

## Chapter 21. Appendices

Includes the following decision flowcharts and templates to assist service providers implement the standards of the Protocol:

- Safer Pathway service delivery map, which brings together the key elements of Safer Pathway
  and illustrates how victims are supported in a seamless service system response
- Information sharing process flowchart, that outlines how and when service providers can share information
- Information sharing consent flowchart that outlines when service providers must seek victims' consent to share information
- Information sharing compliance checklist, which is a performance-monitoring tool to assist service providers assess their state of readiness to share information under Part 13A and to comply with the Protocol.
- Information sharing consent form, which is a template for service providers to use when seeking victims' consent to share information under the Protocol. Service providers may use this form, adapt it to their circumstances or use their own internal consent form
- Your information and your safety fact sheet for victims of domestic violence that explains the key elements of information sharing under the Protocol. Service providers are encouraged to give victims a copy of this fact sheet
- Memorandum of understanding template for service providers to adopt where they agree to share information under Part 13A and the Protocol

# Suite of documents

The Protocol is part of a suite of five reference documents to support the implementation and operation of *Safer Pathway*. These five documents provide a framework for a common understanding of *Safer Pathway* and equip service providers with the information and the tools required to support the implementation of the new framework and to deliver a consistent and integrated response to domestic violence across NSW.

Service providers are encouraged to read the Protocol in conjunction with the other common documents, which include:

## Overview

This overview document provides the context to the development of the NSW Government's Domestic Violence Framework for Reform, an overview of *Safer Pathway* and includes the common definition of domestic and family violence

- Safety Action Meeting Manual (SAM Manual)
  - The SAM Manual is a guide for Safety Action Meeting members; it outlines the purpose and operations of Safety Action Meetings as a key element of *Safer Pathway*, the roles and responsibilities of members and the development of Safety Action Plans
- Domestic Violence Safety Assessment Tool Guide (DVSAT Guide) The DVSAT Guide includes the common assessment tool and assists service providers apply the tool and use their professional judgement to identify the level of threat to victims of domestic violence.
- Domestic Violence and Child Protection Guidelines (DV&CP Guidelines)

These guidelines clarify the intersection between the domestic violence and the child protection systems in the context of information sharing.

# 1. Introduction

Domestic violence is a crime. It is also a multi-faceted issue that requires a coordinated response from service providers in the areas of policing, justice, health, welfare, education, child protection and victim support services. In this context, it is important that service providers work in partnership and share information to:

- prevent domestic violence related deaths, illness, injury and disability
- identify and manage domestic violence threats by using a common threat assessment tool where possible and sharing information about the safety of victims and any children, and the behaviour of perpetrators
- refer victims to service providers to secure their immediate safety, assist them in any legal processes, and enable their recovery from the trauma associated with the violence
- respond to identified needs of victims and their children that arise as a consequence of domestic violence or make them more vulnerable to its impacts
- increase the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children who are victims or exposed to domestic violence
- hold perpetrators accountable by reporting domestic violence incidents and alerting relevant agencies if there is evidence of an escalating threat of violence.

The Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007 was amended by inserting Part 13A to allow information sharing and improve integrated responses to domestic violence.

# 1.1 Legal status

The Protocol is made by an order of the Minister for Justice under s.980, Part 13A of the *Crimes* (*Domestic and Family Violence*) *Act 2007* (Part 13A). Service providers must adopt the provisions and standards set out in the Protocol to share information under Part 13A and the Protocol. For this reason, the Protocol provides precise and detailed information on the provisions of Part 13A to ensure that service providers understand their obligations.

## 1.2 How to use the Protocol

Service Providers should refer to the Protocol as frequently as necessary and until such time as they have the knowledge and confidence to share victims' and perpetrators' information lawfully under the Protocol. It is important that information sharing practices build victims' confidence in *Safer Pathway*, promote their engagement, increase their safety, and that service providers comply with their legal obligations.

Initially, service providers must use the Protocol to ensure they meet the minimum requirements for a state of readiness to share information under the Protocol. Chapter 18 Compliance provides the necessary information and tools for service providers to adapt their information sharing practice and processes to be consistent with the Protocol.

Service providers must review their internal policies and practices against the Protocol with a view to integrating all aspects and requirements of *Safer Pathway* and the standards of the Protocol. This method allows service providers to adopt the provisions of the Protocol into their internal documents in their chosen formats. The Protocol must also be available as a stand-alone document to ensure that any updates or additional tools are easily accessed.

Additional resources are available in the online version of the Protocol. It contains hyperlinks to external websites, cross-references to places within the document and to any of the other four common documents where there is more information about a particular point.

In addition, the Protocol will be revised periodically to ensure relevance and accuracy, and the most recent and updated version will be available online.

# 1.3 Transition arrangements until full implementation of Safer Pathway

Part 13A and the Protocol commenced on the 15 September 2014 to support *Safer Pathway* in the launch sites at Waverley and Orange. It is planned that *Safer Pathway* will be rolled out across NSW in a staged approach over five years, with full implementation completed in 2019. This means that while Part 13A and the Protocol apply from 15 September, other elements of *Safer Pathway*, such as the Central Referral Point, Local Coordination Points and Safety Actions Meetings, referred to in the DFV Reforms and the Protocol are not available state-wide until such time as new sites have been announced and transitioned.

Part 13A and the Protocol now apply in NSW and service providers should now adopt the provisions of the new legislation and share information about victims and perpetrators in accordance with this Protocol and where there is a legal basis to do so. Where service providers outside of the launch sites make referrals for victims and share information under the Protocol, they may use existing referral pathways and domestic violence support systems.

# **Definitions**

#### Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007 Act

#### Agency

- A public sector agency within the meaning of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998. This includes NSW government departments, statutory authorities and local government authorities, such as public schools, public hospitals and correctional centres; and/or
- An organisation within the meaning of the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002. This includes both public sector agencies and private organisations and individuals that hold health information, such as medical, hospital and nursing services, general practitioners, community health services, health education services and welfare services.

# Apprehended **Domestic Violence** Order (ADVO) proceedings

Legal proceedings where an Apprehended Domestic Violence Order is sought (by the making of an application) or made.

#### Central referral point

Operated by Victims Services within the Department of Justice and is an electronic data collection and referral platform. It receives referrals and allocates them electronically to a Local Coordination Point based on the victim's gender and location.

## Chapter 16A

The Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998 allows information exchange between bodies prescribed under that Act by creating exceptions to the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998, the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002 and the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988.

#### Children

Include all children and young people under the age of 18 years.

## **CYPCP Act**

The Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998.

#### Contact purposes

Contacting a victim to seek their consent to (i) provide them with domestic violence support services directly and/or (ii) share their personal and health information with other service providers to permit the provision of domestic violence support services to the victim.

#### Domestic violence

Also means domestic and family violence and is defined in the Overview.

# Domestic violence

offence

A personal violence offence committed by a person against another person with whom the person who commits the offence has or has had a domestic relationship.

# Domestic violence

proceedings

Legal proceedings where an Apprehended Domestic Violence Order is sought (by the making of an application) or made, or a person is charged with a domestic violence offence.

Domestic violence safety assessment tool (DVSAT)

A common risk assessment tool to identify the level of threat to victims of domestic violence.

Domestic violence support services

Are services including, but not limited to, welfare, health, counselling, housing and accommodation, and legal assistance services that are provided to victims identified as being at threat of domestic violence or the subject of a domestic violence referral.

**HRIP Act** 

The Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002.

Health information

A specific type of personal information and includes information or opinion about the physical or mental health or disability of an individual, any health services provided, and any other health information collected to provide, or in providing, health services. For a more detailed description, refer to s.6 of the HRIP Act.

Local coordination

point

A support agency or a non-government support service nominated by the Minister for Justice as a local coordination point, that may collect information about a victim, their children and a perpetrator and provide case coordination for victims of domestic violence and their immediate family members.

NSW privacy laws

The Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002.

Non-government support service

Under Part 13A is a body (but not an individual) that provides domestic violence support services, but which is not an agency as defined under Part 13A and the Protocol.

Generally, a body is likely to be a non-government support service if it is a non-government or private organisation which (a) provides a domestic violence support service but (b) does not hold health information.

Non-government organisations that hold health information are organisations within the meaning of *Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002* and therefore considered an agency for the purpose of Part 13A and the Protocol.

Part 13A

Refers to Part 13A of the *Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007*, which facilitates the collection, use and disclosure of personal and health information in cases involving domestic violence.

### Perpetrator

in the Protocol means, in the context of domestic violence, an alleged perpetrator or an offender and has the same meaning as an associated respondent under Part 13A. A perpetrator is a person who:

- has been charged with a domestic violence offence
- · has had an ADVO sought or made against them
- is the person reasonably believed to be the cause of a domestic violence threat
- is the person identified as such in a NSW Police Force referral to the Central Referral Point.

The use of the term perpetrator to include alleged perpetrator has been adopted throughout the Protocol and other reference documents for ease of communication and in recognition that domestic violence is characterised by a pattern of repeated and habitual behaviours that tends to be much more prevalent than those matters which lead to an offence proved in the criminal justice system.

#### Personal information

Any information or opinion about an identifiable person. This includes records containing name, address, gender, or physical information like fingerprints or body samples. For a more detailed description of personal information, refer to s.4 of the Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998. It should be noted that s.4 also explicitly excludes some types of information that might otherwise be regarded as "personal information" from the definition.

#### **PPIP Act**

The Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998.

#### Prescribed body

Any organisation specified in s.248(6) of the Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998 or in clause 7 of the Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Regulation 2000. Prescribed bodies include:

- the NSW Police Force
- a state government department or a public authority
- a government school or a registered non-government school or a TAFE
- a public health organisation or a private health facility
- any other organisation the duties of which include direct responsibility for, or direct supervision of, the provision of health care, welfare, education, children's services, residential services, or law enforcement.

#### Protocol

Protocol means the Domestic Violence Information Sharing Protocol.

# Safety Action Meeting (SAM)

A meeting of service providers designed to facilitate information sharing for the purpose of preventing or lessening a serious threat to the life, health or safety of a victim, any children or other persons. For more information, refer to the Safety Action Meeting Manual.

#### Safety Action Plan

A list of actions for services providers to complete to reduce or prevent a serious domestic violence threat to the life, health and safety of victims, any children or other persons. For more information, refer to the Safety Action Meeting Manual.

#### Service provider

in the Protocol includes any entity to which the Protocol applies and means:

- a support agency, or
- a non-government support service.

In Chapter 13 Serious threat, and any other reference to serious threat in other sections of the Protocol, service provider also means:

an agency.

### Support agency

An agency that provides domestic violence support services. It includes the Central Referral Point and Local Coordination Points.

#### Victim

Has the same meaning as "primary person" under Part 13A, and is a person who is the:

- · victim or the alleged victim of a domestic violence offence
- person in need of protection where an Apprehended Domestic Violence Order has been sought or made
- person a service provider believes on reasonable grounds to be subject to a domestic violence threat
- person identified as such in a NSW Police Force referral to the Central Referral Point.

# 3. Protocol and service providers

This chapter explains which service providers are required to comply with Part 13A and those which are covered by the Protocol. It also explains how service providers in NSW should share information with service providers in other jurisdictions.

# 3.1 Service providers to which Part 13A applies

Part 13A applies to the following service providers where they provide domestic violence support services:

- Any public sector agency within the meaning of the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (PPIP Act)*. This includes NSW government agencies and statutory bodies, such as public schools, public hospitals and government departments.
- Any organisation within the meaning of the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002 (HRIP Act) to which that Act applies. This includes public sector agencies and private sector persons such as medical, hospital and nursing services, general practitioners, community health services, health education services and welfare services.
- Any organisation funded by a NSW government agency.
- Any non-government support service that has agreed to comply with the standards set out in the Protocol.

Provisions relating to serious threat apply to any agency or organisation within the meaning of the *PIPP Act* and the *HRIP Act*, including private sector agencies and private sector persons.

# 3.2 Service providers to which the Protocol applies

The Protocol applies to all service providers recognised by Part 13A.

The Protocol also applies the principles of Part 13A and NSW privacy laws to non-government support services that deal with personal and health information and:

- are under an obligation to comply with NSW privacy laws,
- act under a contract that imposes NSW privacy laws, or
- comply with privacy laws that impose substantially similar obligations to those imposed by NSW privacy laws, and
- comply with the standards set out in the Protocol.

This means that the Protocol treats these organisations in essentially the same way as support agencies, as defined in Part 13A and the Protocol. For this reason, the Protocol uses the term 'service provider' to cover the requirements attaching to both kinds of providers.

Service providers must satisfy themselves that other service providers they wish to share information with are compliant with NSW privacy laws or similar, or with the standards set out in the Protocol, before sharing information. A template for a memorandum of understanding (MOU) has been developed for service providers' use. Signatories to the MOU agree to share information according to the standards of Part 13A and the Protocol. Refer to Appendix 7 Memorandum of Understanding template.

If service providers are unsure about another service provider's compliance, they can share information under existing privacy laws about the victim only, with the victim's consent, or any person's information without consent where there is a serious and imminent threat to the life, health and safety of a person.

# 3.3 Commonwealth, state or territory service providers

Part 13A and the Protocol apply to the state of NSW. However, NSW has a number of towns on the border with other states and territories, and there are Commonwealth territories and Crown land within NSW. It may be necessary to share information across jurisdictions in cases where there is domestic violence threat, Apprehended Domestic Violence Order (ADVO) proceedings or a referral from NSW Police Force that occurs in NSW. For example:

- the perpetrator and/or victim live outside NSW
- a victim resides outside NSW and the perpetrator lives in NSW
- a perpetrator resides outside NSW and the victim resides in NSW
- a victim and the perpetrator both move outside NSW and the victim is not within range of services within NSW.

Refer to: Section 19(2) PPIP Act or s.14 HRIP Act schedule 1. In these situations, information about the victim and the perpetrator may be shared with a Commonwealth, state or territory service provider

if the receiving service provider complies with privacy laws that impose substantially similar obligations to those imposed by NSW privacy laws.

Where the receiving service provider does not comply with similar privacy laws, information may only be shared about the victim and only with their consent.

For victims at serious threat, information may be shared with any Commonwealth, state or territory service provider whether or not that service provider complies with any privacy laws and whether the victim has given consent. This is a very limited exception from privacy law, and service providers must take reasonable steps to ensure the same level of protection of individuals' information is taken by the receiving service provider, as set out in the Protocol.

# 4. Privacy laws and other legislation

This chapter provides information on the interaction of Part 13A and the Protocol with NSW and Commonwealth privacy laws. It also explains how they interact with other legislation and policy with which service providers may be required to comply.

# 4.1 NSW privacy laws

The *PPIP Act* and the *HRIP Act* contain principles to protect the privacy of individuals' personal and health information in NSW.

All NSW government agencies are subject to the PPIP Act and the HRIP Act.

Private sector agencies are not subject to the *PPIP Act*, but most private sector agencies that deal with health information relating to individuals are subject to the *HRIP Act*. This means that, for example, individual general practitioners, physiotherapists, a partnership or any incorporated body and most not-for-profit organisations and non-government agencies must comply with the *HRIP Act*. Any private sector health agencies that are not subject to the *HRIP Act* will have obligations under the Commonwealth or other State privacy legislation.

Part 13A creates certain exceptions to these NSW privacy laws.

# 4.2 Commonwealth privacy laws

The *Privacy Act* 1988 (Commonwealth) was amended by the *Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Act* 2012 to include Australian privacy principles.

Australian government agencies and certain private sector organisations have responsibilities under Commonwealth privacy laws. These private sector organisations include:

- non-government organisations with an annual turnover greater than \$3 million,
- private sector health service providers,
- private schools or private universities, if they have an annual turnover greater than \$3 million, or provide a health service.

Part 13A does not create exceptions to Commonwealth privacy laws. Service providers must comply with their obligations under Commonwealth privacy laws when they share information under the Protocol.

# 4.3 Other legislation or policy

Service providers that share information under the Protocol are required to comply with any other legislation and their internal policies regarding privacy, confidentiality, non-disclosure and information management. Part 13A and the Protocol override privacy legislation and internal policy only to the extent specifically permitted by the legislation as set out in the following chapters.

All other legislation, including remaining privacy laws not overridden, and relevant internal policies, remain operational.

# 5. Protocol and child protection legislation

#### Refer to:

- Chapter 16A of the Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998,
- Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Regulations 2000 and the
- NSW Interagency Guidelines

For information on prescribed bodies, see s.248(6) of the *CYPP Act* or clause 7 of the Regulation.

A significant number of victims have children in their care and children can be direct or indirect victims of domestic violence. The Protocol does not replace information sharing practices or processes that may apply in these cases but, to ensure clarity, the following sections explain how information sharing should occur where children are victims or are affected by domestic violence in the home, or where either the victim or the perpetrator is under the age of 18.

Refer to the Domestic Violence and Child Protection Guidelines for further information.

# 5.1 Mandatory reporting obligations

Certain service providers are mandatory reporters under the *Children and Young Persons* (*Care and Protection*) *Act 1998* (*CYPCP Act*) and their *mandatory reporting* obligations continue in respect of any information shared under Part 13A and the Protocol. Where these service providers have concerns for the safety, welfare or wellbeing of a child or a young person in the context of domestic violence, they must complete the *online mandatory reporter guide*. The outcome of the guide will direct the service provider to make a report to the *Child Protection Helpline* or to the Child Wellbeing Unit where available, or to take any other action as required under the *CYPCP Act*.

### Case Study: Mandatory reporting and Chapter 16A

Laura and Greg have two children aged 1 and 3. Greg has assaulted Laura on many occasions and Laura has previously had an Apprehended Domestic Violence Order against Greg. Greg's physical violence towards Laura escalated following the birth of their youngest child and the frequency of his binge drinking is increasing. Laura is becoming more fearful for her safety.

One evening Greg becomes aggressive after drinking, grabs Laura by the arm and drags her towards the bedroom. Laura manages to calm the situation but the next day contacts a domestic violence crisis accommodation service and speaks with Tanya.

Tanya assesses Laura as at serious threat of domestic violence. With Laura's consent, Tanya makes an immediate referral to the Central Referral Point and assists Laura with emergency accommodation needs. Tanya then completes the online mandatory reporter guide and follows the instructions (including making a report to the Child Protection Helpline if required).

Tanya can share Laura's, Greg's and the children's information under Chapter 16A of the CYPCP Act.

The Local Coordination Point is a mandatory reporter. Even where the victim does not consent to further information sharing, if a Local Coordination Point worker believes that a child or young person is at risk of significant harm, and:

- it is not known whether a risk of significant harm report has been made, or
- a report has been made, but the Local Coordination Point receives additional information regarding the child or young person,

the worker must make take any action as required under the CYPCP Act.

A prescribed body is any organisation specified in section 248(6) of the *Children and Young Persons* (Care and Protection) Act 1998 or in clause 7 of the *Children and Young Persons* (Care and Protection) Regulation 2000. Generally, prescribed bodies include:

- NSW Police Force
- a state government department or a public authority
- a government school or a registered non-government school or a TAFE
- a public health organisation or a private health facility
- a children's service any other organisation the duties of which include direct responsibility for, or direct supervision of, the provision of health care, welfare, education, children's services, residential services, or law enforcement, wholly or partly to children.

# 5.2 Chapter 16A information exchange

Chapter 16A of the CYPCP Act overrides other laws that prohibit or restrict the disclosure of personal information such as the PIPP Act and the HRIP Act. The focus of the exchange of information is on the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children, and facilitating the provision of services to these children and their families.

Service providers who are prescribed bodies under the CYPCP Act may exchange information that relates to a child or young person's safety, welfare or wellbeing, whether or not the child or young person is known to the FACS. A prescribed body may request information held by another prescribed body that relates to the safety, welfare or wellbeing of a child or young person, where that information assists the service provider to do any of the following in relation to the child or young person's wellbeing:

- make a decision or undertake an assessment or safety plan
- initiate or conduct an investigation
- provide a service
- manage any risk to the child or young person.

### Refer to:

Responding to information requests or directions under Chapter 16A and Information Exchange: long fact sheet for workers

Unless an exemption applies, a prescribed body must comply with a request for information under Chapter 16A if they reasonably believe that the provision of the information may assist the service provider for any purpose listed above. It may include

relevant information held on:

- a child or young person's circumstances or history,
- a parent or other family member,

- people having a significant or relevant relationship with a child or young person,
- the service provider's dealings with the child or young person, including past support or service arrangements.

Chapter 16A allows information to be shared even where children fall below the statutory reporting threshold. In other words, exchange of information can occur irrespective of whether a child protection report has been made to the Child Protection Helpline or not.

The threshold for sharing information under Chapter 16A is not as rigorous as that imposed by Part 13A; consent is not a requirement to exchange information, but it is best practice that service providers inform the adult victim that information about them and their children may be shared.

### Case study: Sharing information under Chapter 16A

Jamia and Aazim have been together for ten years and have three children, aged 3, 8 and 9. Aazim has been abusive toward Jamia for their whole relationship, and frequently subjects her to emotional and physical violence. Jamia has never contacted the Police or a support service because she is afraid of what Aazim would do if he found out. Recently, Aazim lost his job.

One night he accuses Jamia of cheating on him and tries to strangle her, which he has never done before. Jamia is terrified because the violence is getting worse.

A few days later, Jamia tries to call a crisis accommodation service while Aazim is out of the house, but he comes home unexpectedly. Aazim becomes enraged and assaults Jamia in front of the children.

When Aazim next leaves the house, Jamia calls the accommodation service again and speaks with Rose. Rose is concerned for Jamia and the children's safety. Rose completes the online mandatory reporter guide and follows the instructions.

Rose asks Jamia if she can make a referral to a Local Coordination Point and that a support service will contact her to connect her with services to address her and her children's safety needs. Jamia agrees and Rose shares Jamia's and Aazim's information with the Local Coordination Point under Chapter 16A, and continues to assist Jamia with her accommodation needs.

# 5.3 Victim under 18 years of age

In cases of domestic violence where children are victims or are affected by domestic violence in the home, prescribed bodies should exchange information under Chapter 16A in the first instance. Chapter 16A prioritises the safety, welfare, and wellbeing of a child or young person over an individual's right to privacy.

Alternatively, where Chapter 16A does not apply, information may be shared under Part 13A and the Protocol.

# 5.4 Perpetrator under 18 years of age

In cases of domestic violence where the perpetrator is less than 18 years of age, the decision to apply Chapter 16A of the CYPCP Act will depend on a consideration of the safety and wellbeing of the young person and managing any threat to the victim. This decision should be made by the prescribed body involved.

Where Chapter 16A does not apply, information may be shared under Part 13A and the Protocol.

# 5.5 Pregnant victims

Prescribed bodies may rely on Chapter 16A to share information relating to the safety, welfare or wellbeing of an unborn infant and the family of the unborn infant, but only where the unborn child is the subject of a pre-natal report to the FACS or a referral to a Child Wellbeing Unit.

In accordance with the CYPCP Act, prescribed bodies must make a report to FACS or the Child Wellbeing Unit or confirm the existence of a pre-natal report before providing information about the mother and the unborn child under Chapter 16A.

In all other cases, information sharing in relation to a pregnant victim of domestic violence should occur under Part 13A and the Protocol.

# 6. Principles and objectives

This Protocol has been developed according to the following overarching principles and objectives. Service providers should be mindful of these at all times when sharing information under Part 13A and the Protocol.

# 6.1 Principles

When sharing information, service providers are to be guided by the following principles:

- The safety of victims and their children is paramount.
- Individuals have rights to both safety and privacy, but where these rights are in tension, victims' safety comes first.
- There is a presumption that informed consent to share information must be sought and obtained from victims. However, there are some limited exceptions to the requirement for consent.
- Victims can choose the service providers with which they engage.
- Victims have the right to receive domestic violence support services without consenting to information sharing.
- Victims have the right to access information held about them by service providers, and are able to correct that information.
- Information shared must be secure, timely, accurate and relevant.

# 6.2 Objectives

Part 13A and the Protocol support the proactive practice of information sharing between service providers to:

- increase the safety, health and wellbeing of victims and any children, and prevent domestic violence related death, disability and injury
- improve domestic violence victims' access to support services regardless of which service provider the victim first approaches or whether they have engaged with the justice system
- achieve consistent and improved threat identification and management of threat to victims
- prioritise victims who are at serious threat and undertake safety planning to reduce the serious threat
- reduce re-victimisation of persons who have experienced domestic violence
- improve perpetrator accountability for their actions
- reduce re-offending
- identify and respond to escalation of violence by the perpetrator
- improve service provider accountability for their response to victims and perpetrators.

## 7. Information sharing under Part 13A

The Protocol explains Part 13A and must be referred to by service providers to ensure they collect, use or share personal and health information of victims, perpetrators or other persons lawfully.

Part 13A allows sharing personal and health information about victims, perpetrators and other persons between service providers in defined circumstances. This chapter explains the legal basis and legitimate purposes for sharing information under Part 13A.

## 7.1 Legal basis for sharing information

Information about a domestic violence victim and a perpetrator may be shared at first instance under the Protocol where:

- there is a domestic violence threat, by a service provider
- there are ADVO proceedings, by a NSW Local Court
- disclosed by the NSW Police Force for contact purposes.

Subsequently, information can continue to be shared in any of these cases by any service provider that receives this information, where it is for a legitimate purpose as set out in section 7.3 of the Protocol.

#### Refer to:

The Child Wellbeing and Child Protection NSW Interagency Guidelines: providing and requesting information under Chapter 16A.

Where children are victims or are affected by domestic violence in the home, service providers who are prescribed bodies should take any actions as required under the *CYPCP Act* and share information under Chapter 16A of that Act.

## 7.2 Sharing information where the legal basis under Part 13A is not met

There may be situations where service providers want to share information about a perpetrator and a victim where the legal basis in section 7.1 of the Protocol is not been met.

In this situation, personal and health information about a victim and a perpetrator can only be shared without consent, where:

#### Refer to

Section 27 of the *PPIP Act* permits the NSW Police Force to share information without the requirement to comply with Privacy Principle conditions.

- the service provider reasonably believes there is a serious and imminent threat to the life, health or safety of a person
- it is reasonably necessary for the NSW Police Force to carry out its functions, and there are reasonable grounds to believe that an offence may have been committed.

Personal and health information about a perpetrator may also be shared without consent where a service provider believes that a criminal offence may be committed or that a perpetrator's behaviour or attitude may affect another person's life, health or safety. In this situation, information about the victim cannot be shared without their consent.

In all other circumstances, the consent of the victim and the perpetrator is required to share personal or health information.

In deciding whether to disclose information to a law enforcement agency, a service provider should consider:

- whether the circumstances indicate a serious and imminent threat to the life, health or safety of a person
- relevant professional and ethical obligations
- how to best balance the protection of the perpetrator's privacy with the serious and imminent threat to a person.

#### Case study: Serious and imminent threat

Terry is in custody for burglary. Three days before his release, he tells a number of people including a Corrective Services nurse that his ex-wife's new partner Martin's days are numbered. Terry has a history of violence and assault charges.

Terry's ex-wife Trisha does not currently receive domestic violence support services.

Based on the nurse's professional assessment of the situation, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Trisha and Martin are at serious and imminent threat from Terry upon his release from custody.

The nurse can share information with the NSW Police Force.

## 7.3 Legitimate purpose for sharing information

Service providers may only collect, use and disclose victims' and perpetrators' personal and health information under Part 13A and the Protocol to:

- make a referral for domestic violence support services for a victim
- provide support services to a victim
- prevent or lessen a serious threat to a person's life, health or safety.

If allowed, information can alternatively and additionally be shared under Chapter 16A of the CYPCP Act to:

- make a decision or undertake an assessment or safety plan
- initiate or conduct an investigation
- provide a service to children and their families
- manage a risk to the child or young person.

## Case study: No legitimate purpose

Layla has been the victim of domestic violence. She was assessed as at threat and has begun counselling sessions with Marie who works in a local domestic violence support service.

Layla has returned to her studies, and to enhance her employment prospects, has started seeing a tutor, Adam. She has told Adam that she is seeing a counsellor but has not disclosed the reason for this.

Several weeks later, Adam contacts Marie seeking information about Layla, as he believes that he and Marie can support Layla better if they have more detail about other services Layla is accessing.

Whilst it is possible that Marie and Adam could better support Layla by working together, sharing information in this circumstance does not meet any of the purposes under the Protocol. The information sharing would not be to facilitate access to domestic violence support services.

Therefore, Marie cannot share personal or health information about Layla with Adam.

Note: Where Marie reports the conversation to Layla and asks her if and what information she can share with Adam (with the intention of working together to better support her), and Layla gives her consent, information can be shared under NSW privacy laws, but only Layla's information. The perpetrator's information cannot be shared.

## 7.4 Information sharing for other purposes

There may be times when a service provider needs to share personal and health information about a victim or a perpetrator unrelated to the purposes allowed under Part 13A and the Protocol, or with a service provider that does not provide domestic violence support services within the meaning of Part 13A.

The provisions of Part 13A and the Protocol cannot be relied on in these circumstances, and Commonwealth and/or NSW privacy laws may apply to that information. For example, information about the perpetrator cannot be shared without the perpetrator's consent.

When sharing information for purposes other than those under Part 13A and the Protocol, service providers must:

- discuss the need for information sharing with the victim, and seek their consent to provide their personal and health information to the service provider
- where the victim consents, make a written record of the victim's consent, including the victim's information that can be disclosed
- where NSW or Commonwealth privacy laws apply, ensure the information shared complies with those laws, such as only sharing information relating to the victim
- advise and add the following statement to all written communications to the receiving service provider:
  - any inappropriate disclosure of the information has potential harmful consequences for the victim's safety,
  - the information is provided on the basis that the receiving service provider does not use it for any purposes other than that outlined in the referral/information request, and
  - the receiving service provider must not disclose that information further without the victim's consent.

## 7.5 Domestic violence proceedings dismissed or not proven

Where domestic violence proceedings are dismissed, withdrawn or not proven, a service provider working with the victim must consider the level of threat to the victim:

- if the victim is identified at serious threat, information sharing should continue,
- if the victim is identified at threat, information sharing can continue if the victim consents; the consent of the perpetrator is not required, or
- stop sharing information under the Protocol, and make a written record that information sharing under the Protocol has been stopped and why, and keep this record on file. Information about the victim can be shared under NSW privacy laws, with their consent, but no information about the perpetrator can be shared.

When considering whether the victim may still be at threat or at serious threat, a service provider must also take into account the circumstances that led to the domestic violence proceedings being dismissed, withdrawn or not proved.

Where children are victims or are affected by domestic violence in the home and there are concerns for their safety, welfare or wellbeing, service providers that are prescribed bodies must take actions as required under the *CYPCP Act* and information sharing can continue under Chapter 16A of that Act. Refer to Chapter 5 Protocol and child protection legislation and the *Domestic Violence and Child Protection Guidelines*.

## 8. Threat identification

Under Part 13A, service providers can share information where they identify that there is a threat or a serious threat to the life, health and safety of a victim. Identifying the level of threat is also important to enable service providers to address victims' immediate safety needs, to explore support that may be required, such as legal protection, support through the court process, ongoing safety planning, counselling, housing, financial or other assistance, and to make referrals for the provision of those supports.

This chapter outlines the process for consistent threat identification of victims of domestic violence.

## 8.1 Domestic violence threat

A domestic violence threat is a threat to the life, health or safety of a person that occurs because of the commission or possible commission of a domestic violence offence.

Victims may suffer different levels of threat and it is important to identify as accurately and as early as possible the level of threat they face, so that the most appropriate support services can be provided to them.

Service providers must consider that particular domestic violence acts or behaviours indicate a higher level of threat to a victim. For example, attempted strangulation or choking immediately place a victim within reach of a dangerous threshold level and is often a predictor for more serious violence.

In addition, there are identified persons and communities that, due to their situation of social and cultural disadvantage, isolation, or increased dependence, are particularly vulnerable to domestic violence threats. For example women from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, from cultural and linguistically diverse communities, and with disabilities and/or in residential settings.

## 8.2 Assessing the level of threat

The identification of a victim at threat is based on the following combination of factors:

- the Domestic Violence Safety Assessment Tool (DVSAT) or other recognised risk assessment tool where the total number of identified threat indicators meets the threshold for at threat or at serious threat, and/or
- professional judgement, and
- where available, the victim's perception of their own level of threat and the threat to their children, and
- the threat is a domestic violence threat.

A victim is automatically identified as at serious threat where the NSW Police Force apply the DVSAT on three separate occasions in a six-month period with a victim.

Professional judgement can never be used to downgrade the level of threat identified by a completed DVSAT or other risk assessment tool.

For more information on threat and assessment of threat, refer to the Domestic Violence Safety Assessment Tool Guide. The Guide also includes the most recent version of the DVSAT and information on how to use the tool.

#### Case study: Police DVSAT - at threat

The NSW Police Force attend a home following a phone call from neighbours reporting a domestic violence disturbance between Connie and Victor. The Police apply the DVSAT and based on Connie's answers ('yes' to the question related to pregnancy and to Victor having been physically violent towards her in the past) identify her at threat.

The Police apply for a provisional ADVO and make an automatic referral to the Central Referral Point, recording Connie as at threat.

#### Case study: Service provider DVSAT – at threat

Maria attends a domestic violence support service to seek advice on her options in relation to dealing with her partner, Nico who has become jealous and controlling of her life. Janet applies the DVSAT. The context is domestic violence and Maria's answers to the DVSAT, together with Janet's professional judgement and Maria's own perspective of the level of threat to her by Nico place her within the threshold for at threat.

Janet seeks Maria's consent and makes a referral to the Central Referral Point.

There may also be times when a service provider cannot complete a DVSAT due to the nature of their work, such as a general practitioner in a medical clinic. For this reason, the DVSAT should not be the sole instrument relied on to assess a victim's level of threat. It is important to consider the victim's experience and perception of the violence, and the judgement of the professional applying the tool.

#### Case study: Professional judgement and victim's own perception - at threat

Dr Cabello, a local GP is in consultation with Julie, a patient who is seeking treatment for a badly sprained elbow. Julie reports that her partner, Craig has been violent towards her and caused her to fall over during an argument. Julie tells the doctor that her fear of Craig is increasing and that she is considering moving out with a girlfriend. Given Julie's disclosure, Dr Cabello asks some additional questions and then tells Julie she is concerned there is a current domestic violence threat. The doctor seeks Julie's consent to share her information with a domestic violence support service.

The context is domestic violence and although no formal assessment is completed, Dr Cabello uses her professional judgement and Julie's own perception of her level of threat to identify that Julie is at threat of domestic violence and makes a referral to the Central Referral Point.

A person can rely on their professional judgement alone to assess the victim's level of threat, with or without the victim's perception of their own level of threat. Professional judgement is an assessment based on information gathering with the victim, professional discretion or intuition that may be justified through the service provider's qualifications and/or experience.

A person can use their professional judgement to upgrade the level of threat where the threshold for at serious threat has not been met on the DVSAT.

Similarly, the victim's perception of their own safety can be used to upgrade a level of threat.

A person can never use their professional judgement to downgrade the level of threat identified by a completed DVSAT or other risk assessment tool.

#### Case study: Police DVSAT and professional judgement - at serious threat

The NSW Police Force attend a home following a phone call from neighbours reporting a domestic violence disturbance. They charge Clive with a domestic violence offence and apply for an ADVO on behalf of Jackie. The police officer completes a Police DVSAT with Jackie, and she answers 'yes' to the number of questions that place her below the threshold for at serious threat. In light of the seriousness of the domestic violence and the charges laid against Clive, the police officer uses his professional judgement to upgrade the threat level to Jackie to at serious threat. The police officer makes a referral to the Central Referral Point, recording Jackie at serious threat.

## Case study: Professional judgement and victim's own perception – at serious threat

Jamila attends a doctor's surgery after being assaulted by her partner Salaam. The doctor is not trained in the use of a threat identification tool, but based on the evidence of physical injury and her psychological state, the doctor believes that Jamila is at serious threat. The doctor asks Jamila for an assessment of her own level of threat, and Jamila says she is worried Salaam will seriously harm her. With Jamila's consent, the doctor makes a referral to the Central Referral Point based on his professional judgement and Jamila's own perception of the threat to her life, health and safety.

The dynamics of domestic violence are such that a victim's response may vary over time and depending on which service provider administers the assessment tool. This may be because of fear of speaking with particular service providers, the circumstances of the domestic violence, the proximity of the perpetrator or other persons to the victim when the tool is being applied, or for other reasons.

#### Case study: Victim varied response to DVSAT

The Local Coordination Point receives an automatic referral from the NSW Police Force. The NSW Police Force application of the DVSAT has identified Georgina as at threat. The Local Coordination Point contacts Georgina to offer domestic violence support services.

When the Local Coordination Point speaks to Georgina, she reports her distrust of police and that she did not want to answer the officer's questions fully because her husband, Simeon, was present at the time. The Local Coordination Point undertakes a comprehensive threat assessment with Georgina and re-applies the DVSAT. Georgina answers the questions fully this time, and the assessment identifies that there is a serious threat to Georgina's life, health and safety.

## 8.3 Domestic Violence Safety Assessment Tool

The consistent and ongoing application of a common threat identification tool is essential to determine the level of threat faced by a victim. This ensures that, regardless of how victims enter the system, the system response is consistent and victims are connected to the most appropriate domestic violence support services to meet their needs.

To achieve consistent identification of threat to victims, application of the Domestic Violence Safety Assessment Tool (DVSAT) is encouraged.

The DVSAT consists of a series of questions that relate to recurring factors or behaviours that are recognised as indicators of threat to victims of domestic violence. Based on these indicators, the DVSAT provides a score of the seriousness of the threat to a victim. The victim's responses to the questions provide a score that is then considered against a set threshold. The score suggests that there is:

- not sufficient evidence of a threat to the victim
- evidence of a threat to the victim
- evidence of a serious threat to the victim.

The threshold to determine the level of threat to a victim is set out in the Domestic Violence Safety Assessment Tool Guide. Refer to the DVSAT Guide for the most recent version of the DVSAT and for further information on how to use the tool.

## 8.4 Other risk assessment tools

While the consistent application of the DVSAT is encouraged, its use is not mandatory under the Protocol. Other service providers may apply their own recognised assessment tool to determine the level of threat to a victim if they align with commonly agreed risk indicators for domestic violence.

## 8.5 Review of threat assessment

A comprehensive review and assessment using the common DVSAT provides consistency in identifying domestic violence threats and developing appropriate responses across all referrals.

Upon receipt of a referral (refer to Chapter 9 Victim referral to support services), the Local Coordination Point must conduct a comprehensive assessment of the level of threat to the victim. In cases where the DVSAT was not applied, such as where the level of threat was determined by professional judgement or by a different risk assessment tool, the Local Coordination Point must apply the DVSAT.

The Local Coordination Point will either confirm the level of threat or upgrade a threat to a serious threat. The Local Coordination Point must never downgrade the original assessment of threat, until further actions have been undertaken. Refer to section 8.7 Downgrading threat assessment.

## Case study: Review of threat does not downgrade original assessment

Nicoli and his partner Carlos have been in a relationship for four months. Carlos' controlling behaviour has escalated over the past two months and he is increasingly jealous and controlling towards Nicoli. One morning Carlos and Nicoli have an argument and Carlos gets into a rage, smashes furniture and some of Nicoli's belongings and threatens to do the same to Nicoli.

Nicoli is terrified but does not want to call the police. He makes an appointment to speak to his counsellor. Nicoli is still very agitated and fearful while recounting to the counsellor the violence and Carlos' threats to harm him. The counsellor is very concerned for Nicoli's safety but does not have access to the DVSAT. She uses Nicoli's perception of the level of threat and her professional judgement to determine that Nicoli is at serious threat. She refers Nicoli to the Central Referral Point.

The Local Coordination Point receives the referral and contacts Nicoli the following day. A support worker undertakes a comprehensive risk assessment of Nicoli's threat level by applying the DVSAT. Nicoli's answers place him below the threshold for at serious threat.

Even though the level of threat is only identified as at threat using the DVSAT, the Local Coordination Point still considers Nicoli to be at serious threat, as professional judgement and Nicoli's own perception of his level of threat were relied upon.

The Local Coordination Point seeks Nicoli's consent and still refers him to a Safety Action Meeting and makes appropriate referrals to secure Nicoli's immediate safety.

## 8.6 Subsequent threat assessment

In domestic violence situations, it is common for the level of threat to fluctuate or escalate very rapidly. For this reason, it is important that service providers identify at the earliest opportunity when a victim has moved from at threat to at serious threat.

The victim's circumstances, a victim's self-report, or professional judgement may guide when a further assessment is required. As a guide, circumstances such as those listed below may trigger a new threat assessment:

- Victim has separated from the perpetrator or current partner
- Victim has a new partner
- Perpetrator is about to be released from detention
- Initiation of family court matters
- Victim or perpetrator loss of employment
- Victim is pregnant or gives birth
- Victim ends engagement with support services
- Information suggests the perpetrator is back living with the victim
- Perpetrator becomes aware the victim is engaged with support services
- Information indicates the perpetrator is escalating in their substance abuse or is experiencing increased mental health symptoms.

### Case study: New information changes level of threat

Vladimir suffers from depression and an obsessive-compulsive disorder, and attends a Men's Behaviour Change Program (MBCP). Vladimir reveals to a number of people at the MBCP that he believes his partner Ivana has started an intimate relationship with another man and that he has threatened to harm her as a result.

Ivana is being supported by a partner support service in accordance with the minimum standards for MBCPs. She was previously assessed as at threat and referred to a Local Coordination Point for support.

The Manager of the MBCP is concerned about Ivana and contacts the partner support service to provide information about Vladimir's threats to harm Ivana.

In light of this new information, the partner support service contacts Ivana and completes a new assessment to review the level of threat to Ivana. The new assessment identifies that Ivana is at serious threat and the support service immediately begins safety planning with her.

With Ivana's consent, the support service makes a referral directly to the Local Coordination Point to include Ivana on the next Safety Action Meeting.

## 8.7 Downgrading threat assessment

A service provider can only downgrade a victim's identified threat level if:

- a change in the victim's circumstances has occurred that reduces or eliminates the threat, or
- actions taken by service providers have reduced the threat. Actions may include verification of the change in the victim's circumstances that reduces or removes the threat, and
- consideration of the victim's perception of their own safety.

Where the level of threat is downgraded, the service provider must make a record in the victim's file and notify the Local Coordination Point.

#### Case study: Actions taken result in downgrading level of threat

Pilar and Gustav have been living together for 6 years in a small town in regional NSW. Gustav is very controlling and emotionally abusive towards Pilar, and there have been occasions during the relationship where Gustav has been physically abusive towards Pilar.

On one occasion, Gustav seriously assaulted Pilar, but Pilar did not seek police assistance or legal protection.

The relationship is experiencing difficulties due to Pilar confessing to an affair with an ex-partner. The affair ceased months ago, and Gustav and Pilar are making efforts to rebuild their relationship. It has not been very successful, and Gustav's behaviour is becoming more and more controlling and abusive towards Pilar, while Pilar begins to spend more time at work and with friends to avoid confrontations.

More recently, Pilar has noticed that Gustav is monitoring her emails and mobile phone.

In the week leading up to a second serious domestic violence assault, Gustav's behaviour becomes more threatening and one evening Pilar comes home from work and is assaulted by Gustav resulting in her arm being fractured.

NSW Police Force attend and Gustav is charged with assault occasioning actual bodily harm. The police also take out an ADVO that includes an exclusionary order from the home he shares with Pilar.

NSW Police Force assess Pilar as at serious threat and make a referral to the Central Referral Point.

The referral is allocated to a Local Coordination Point and listed at the next Safety Action Meeting.

Pilar returns home from hospital the following morning and, after speaking to her mother in Sydney, makes a decision to leave the relationship and move back to Sydney. Her plans are to move within the next fortnight, apply for a work transfer and stay with her mother until she finds her own accommodation.

When Cassie from the Local Coordination Point calls Pilar to offer domestic violence support services, Pilar informs her of her plans. Cassie makes a referral for legal support for Pilar in the assault matter and lists her on the next Safety Action Meeting.

At the Safety Action Meeting, Cassie informs the members that Pilar is moving to Sydney and that she has made referrals for court support and counselling.

Actions from the Safety Action Meeting include;

Cassie to arrange for Pilar's file in the assault case to be transferred to the Local Coordination Point in Sydney, including listing Pilar on the Safety Action Meeting in Sydney.

Cassie to develop a personal safety plan with Pilar and inform her of the actions that were developed at the meeting.

Housing NSW to contact Housing Pathways for an assessment of Pilar's eligibility for community housing and to make a referral for her.

When the Safety Action Meeting is held in Sydney a fortnight later, the members are prepared with information they have received from their counterparts in Orange, and with information relating to Pilar's current situation, provided by the Sydney Local Coordination Point. The members are informed that Pilar has changed her mobile phone, that Gustav does not know she has moved to Sydney and that Pilar has been linked in with domestic violence support services in Sydney.

## Case study: Actions taken result in downgrading level of threat, cont.

They note she is staying with her mother but community housing is currently being arranged for her. They are also informed that Pilar has indicated she no longer fears for her safety.

The Safety Action Meeting members do not have any new actions in relation to Pilar and close the case.

When the Local Coordination Point next contacts Pilar, her threat assessment is reviewed and it is agreed that Pilar's threat can now be reduced to at threat. The worker makes a note on Pilar's file.

For specific information on threat assessment and how to use the DVSAT, refer to the *Domestic Violence Safety Assessment Tool Guide*.

# 9. Victim referral to support services

Referrals support victims' access to domestic violence support services to address their safety and welfare needs. Part 13A allows sharing personal and health information of the victim and the perpetrator of domestic violence when making a referral. This avoids the victim having to repeat their story each time they are referred to a new service provider.

To share information under Part 13A, referrals initially must be made to the Central Referral Point and/or a Local Coordination Point.

Where a victim is identified at serious threat other consent provisions apply, and referrals can also be made to other service providers in addition to the referral to the Central Referral Point or a Local Coordination Point. Refer to Chapter 13 Serious threat.

This chapter explains the role of the Central Referral Point and the Local Coordination Points. It also provides information on referrals to address victims' safety needs.

Where children are victims or are affected by domestic violence in the home, service providers that are prescribed bodies under the CYPCP Act should exchange information under Chapter 16A of that Act. Refer to Chapter 5 Protocol and child protection legislation and the Domestic Violence and Child Protection Guidelines.

## 9.1 Central Referral Point

Most initial referrals under Part 13A are made to the Central Referral Point. The Central Referral Point is a state-wide electronic data collection and referral platform. The Central Referral Point receives and sorts referrals from all service providers and allocates them electronically to a Local Coordination Point based on the victims' gender and location. This process is fully automated.

Part 13A allows the Central Referral Point to electronically process the information it has received and allocate the referral to a Local Coordination Point without the victim or perpetrator's consent.

The Central Referral Point also monitors the responsiveness of the system to victims' needs, from referral to case closure. It provides real time de-identified data on domestic violence referrals and the timeliness of services provided to victims. For this reason, it is recommended that service providers complete a de-identified referral even where the victim has not consented to share their information.

## 9.2 Local Coordination Point

The Local Coordination Points are a network of non-government services that provide case coordination, threat assessment and review, and safety planning for victims of domestic violence. They also ensure that victims at serious threat are considered at a Safety Action Meeting. For more information on Safety Action Meetings, refer to the Safety Action Meeting Manual.

The Local Coordination Points receive referrals electronically from the Central Referral Point. The Local Coordination Points access referrals by logging into the electronic database and retrieving the referral information relevant to their location.

Part 13A allows service providers to make initial referrals directly to the Local Coordination Point. The Local Coordination Point will enter the referral information into the Central Referral Point, with the victim's consent. However, service providers are encouraged to make the initial referral to the Central Referral Point first.

## 9.3 Victim already supported by a support service

Victims with an existing relationship with a domestic violence or other support service and receiving case management and support may continue to be supported by that service. It is good practice to maintain a continuity of care. Service providers should still make a referral to the Central Referral Point or Local Coordination Point to ensure that no victim falls through the gaps. This enables the Central Referral Point to record the service provided to all victims, and collect accurate data regarding the number of victims experiencing domestic violence and the services required to meet their needs.

A referral to the Central Referral Point or Local Coordination Point is essential to refer victims at serious threat to a Safety Action Meeting. For more information on Safety Action Meetings, refer to the Safety Action Meeting Manual.

## 9.4 Referrals to Safety Action Meetings

Referrals to Safety Action Meetings for victims at serious threat are made through Local Coordination Points. Victims at serious threat must be referred to the Central Referral Point, or directly to a Local Coordination Point, for inclusion at a Safety Action Meeting.

Information shared at a Safety Action Meeting must only be used for the purpose set out in Part 13A and the Protocol. For more information on Safety Action Meetings, refer to the Safety Action Meeting Manual.

## 9.5 Types of referrals

Two types of referrals can be made where a victim has been identified at threat:

- 1. an automatic referral, which may be made by:
  - NSW Police Force without the consent of the victim or perpetrator, or
  - a NSW Local Court where the victim has not expressly objected to their information being disclosed, and without the consent of the perpetrator; and
- 2. a consent-based referral, which can be made by a service provider with the consent of the victim but without the consent of the perpetrator.

## 9.6 Automatic referrals

Automatic referrals are referrals from the NSW Police Force or a NSW Local Court to the Central Referral Point.

The NSW Police Force makes an automatic referral to the Central Referral Point where the NSW Police Force has attended a domestic violence incident or a domestic violence incident is reported to them.

The NSW Police Force does not require the consent of the victim to make an automatic referral, but must inform the victim that a referral will be made to the Central Referral Point and on to a Local Coordination Point.

A NSW Local Court makes an automatic referral to the Central Referral Point only where there are ADVO proceedings, that is where and ADVO has been sought or made.

The NSW Local Court does not require the explicit consent of the victim to make the referral, but the victim can choose to opt out of the referral. The victim can exercise this option when the NSW Local Court informs the victim that a referral will be made to the Central Referral Point and on to a Local

Coordination Point. There are two ways in which a victim can opt out; the victim can:

- agree to a referral being made to the Central Referral Point, but object to any subsequent referral being made to a particular Local Coordination Point. In this case, the referral will be made to another Local Coordination Point, or
- opt out of being referred to any service; in this case, no referral will be made to the Central Referral Point for the victim.

The perpetrator's consent is never required to make an automatic referral.

#### Case study: Opting out of a Local Court referral

Diana makes a private application for an ADVO against her husband, Dirk, at a regional NSW Local Court. On completing the application, the Registrar advises Diana that she will be referred to the Local Coordination Point (via the Central Referral Point) and that someone will contact her to offer domestic violence support services.

Diana tells the Registrar that she does not want to be referred to any service. The Registrar asks why and Diana explains that Dirk's sister works at the Local Coordination Point in the area. The Registrar tells Diana that in that case he will add information on the referral that there is a conflict of interest with that Local Coordination Point and that Diana should be referred to another Local Coordination Point. Diana consents to the referral.

In the event that Diana still does not want to be referred to any Local Coordination Point, the Registrar would not make the referral but, without identifying Diana, would advise the Central Referral Point that an application for an ADVO was made, the postcode of the victim and that the victim opted out of the referral.

## 9.7 Victim consent and automatic referrals

Upon receipt of an automatic referral via the Central Referral Point, the Local Coordination Point must contact the victim using the information in the referral, to offer domestic violence support services. At this point, the victim's consent must be sought to use the information to provide a service, to share the information or to make a further referral to another service provider. For detailed information on how to seek consent, refer to Chapter 12 Consent.

There are some permitted exceptions to this where a victim is at serious threat, and the disclosure is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious threat to the life, health or safety of a person. For more information, refer to Chapter 13 Serious threat.

## 9.8 Consent-based referrals

Consent based referrals: A victim's consent is always required.

A perpetrator's consent is never required.

These referrals can only be made with the explicit consent of the victim and are for providing domestic violence support services to the victim. The consent of the perpetrator is never required.

#### Case study: Consent based referral

Mary attends a community health centre and tells a worker that Tim, her partner, has been threatening her. Mary would like to know what options are available to her. The service provider assesses Mary as being at threat and asks Mary's consent to be referred to the Central Referral Point for specialist domestic violence case coordination and support. Mary consents to information about her being shared with the Central Referral Point.

Consent based referrals may occur:

- initially, when a service provider working in an area such as health, education, community services, disability services, housing, domestic violence or other services assesses that a victim is at threat or at serious threat of domestic violence and wants to refer the victim to the Central Referral Point and/or Local Coordination Point for domestic violence support services, or
- subsequently, consent based referrals can be made for providing domestic violence support services to a victim by:
  - the Local Coordination Point to any service provider, or
  - a service provider to another service provider, where the initial referral came through the Central Referral Point and/or a Local Coordination Point.

A key aspect of the coordinated response for victims is that service providers can make initial and subsequent consent based referrals to complement their service delivery and meet the needs of victims.

#### Case study: Subsequent consent based referral

Li makes a private application for an ADVO against her partner Jiang in the Local Court. A referral is made to the Central Referral Point and then allocated to a Local Coordination Point.

She receives a phone call the following day from the Local Coordination Point and accepts their support. Li advises that she would like assistance with finding accommodation so she can leave Jiang. The Local Coordination Point helps Li find a refuge and asks Li for her consent to share her information to make the referral to the refuge. Li is concerned that her community is small and she does not want people to know about her situation. The Local Coordination Point worker informs Li that there are strict confidentiality and security guidelines for any information shared with another service provider, but that if Li is unsure, she can be referred but her history or case information will not be shared.

Li is reassured and consents to the referral and to having her information shared with the refuge.

For more information on consent, refer to Chapter 12 Consent.

## 9.9 Information provided to victim before referral

When making an automatic or a consent based referral, service providers should provide the following information to the victim either before or at the time of making the referral:

- that a referral will be made and to which service provider
- that the referral is for providing domestic violence support services
- the potential services that will be provided by the service provider
- contact details of the service provider receiving the referral, where possible

- a statement that information will not be disclosed to the perpetrator
- details of how the victim can access and amend information provided in the referral
- an explanation that accepting any services offered is voluntary.

Service providers working with victims from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds should consider cultural sensitivities when informing victims that their information will be shared with certain service providers. In particular, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons may be sensitive about sharing their information with government agencies, and may fear government agency interventions in their lives.

## 9.10 Victim contact

All referrals must include the victim's contact information and a safe method to contact the victim. Service providers must take detailed information from the victim about methods of communication to facilitate safe contact and ensure that interventions will not place them at further threat from the perpetrator. For example, a victim may request that the service provider call their mobile telephone at certain times of the day, or contact them via a new email address unknown to the perpetrator.

The service provider must follow the instructions on the referral by the referring service provider.

To ensure victim's safety, when making a telephone call the receiving service provider should also:

- call from a blocked number,
- check they are speaking with the victim before identifying themselves or the service from which they are calling
- check it is safe for the victim to speak
- if calling a mobile telephone, advise the victim that they may wish to delete any record of the call once the call is completed
- state that information will not be disclosed to the perpetrator.

If no safe method of contact is provided, service providers may contact the victim by email or post unless information in the referral suggests this would be unsafe.

#### 9.11 Victim cannot be contacted

If a victim cannot be contacted after three separate attempts, this may be taken to mean the victim does not consent to receiving a service, and no further information can be shared.

Where there is information in the referral to suggest otherwise, the service provider must send back the referral to the referring service provider and record that no contact was made with the victim.

Where the victim has been assessed at serious threat, refer to Chapter 13 Serious threat.

Where the victim cannot be contacted and no further information is shared, the referring service provider must be informed. Information provided by the referring service provider must be securely destroyed. Refer to the procedure on disposal of personal and health information in Chapter 14 Information management.

## 9.12 Victim can receive support services without sharing information

When a service provider offers domestic violence support services to a victim, the service provider must advise the victim that they can choose to receive those services without having their information shared.

If the victim does not consent to their information being shared but still wishes to receive support services, a referral should be made that only includes information that the victim consents to being shared; for example, the victim's first name, date of birth and contact details.

Alternatively, the victim may be provided with the service provider's contact details and can then choose when and what information they disclose, directly to the service provider, and in their own time.

## 9.13 Information requests

Service providers may request information about a victim and/or a perpetrator from other service providers providing there is a legal basis to do so and it is for a legitimate purpose. Refer to Chapter 7 Information sharing under Part 13A.

The obligation to verify that the victim has given explicit consent for the disclosure of information rests with the service provider disclosing the information. This means that a service provider that has received a request must have satisfactory evidence of consent, either by:

- seeking the consent of the victim to release the information, or
- verifying that the victim has given their consent to the service provider requesting the information, and sighting the written consent.

This is essential to ensure that information is not disclosed in a manner that increases threat to a victim and to ensure the disclosing service provider complies with their obligations under the Protocol. It is also important where a service provider does not have an established relationship with the requesting service provider.

If the victim does not consent to their information being shared, the information must not be shared. The only exception is where a victim is identified at serious threat and the conditions for sharing information are satisfied under the Protocol. Refer to Chapter 13 Serious threat.

# 10. Identification of victim and perpetrator

There may be occasions where a service provider has concerns about the identification of the victim and the perpetrator in a domestic violence relationship, or where a victim is now identified as a perpetrator, or where both parties claim to be a victim. This chapter provides guidance to service providers on how to respond to these situations under Part 13A and the Protocol.

## 10.1 Victim and perpetrator incorrectly identified

A service provider may receive a referral or information regarding a victim and a perpetrator where it believes:

- the parties are incorrectly identified as victim and perpetrator at the scene of the domestic violence incident, or
- a private application for an ADVO at a NSW Local Court is made and may potentially be vexatious or frivolous, that is, the person listed on the ADVO as the victim may actually be the perpetrator.

Where a service provider forms this belief, on the balance of probabilities, then it may:

- consider if the person listed as the victim is assessed at serious threat. In this case, information should continue to be shared until further clarification,
- if the person listed as the victim is not assessed at serious threat, stop sharing information about the person listed as the perpetrator. Information can still be shared about the person listed as the victim with their consent,
- advise the referring service provider of the basis for the belief and that information sharing has been stopped,
- make a written record of the basis for the belief and that information sharing has been stopped, and keep this record on the file of the person listed as the victim, and
- apply the DVSAT to the person listed as the perpetrator or use professional judgement and take actions as necessary under the Protocol, including making a new referral to the Central Referral Point and/or a Local Coordination Point.

#### Case study: Service provider unsure that person referred is a victim

Mike contacts a men's crisis accommodation centre seeking temporary accommodation. Mike tells the worker that he has left the family home after a violent altercation with his wife, Rebecca. Mike reports that his wife has a substance abuse problem and that she is often unable to care for the children due to intoxication. He adds that Rebecca frequently throws things about the house and has attacked him using household implements. He reports that this time she has gone too far when she hit him and that he will seek an ADVO to protect himself

Mike arrives at the centre and upon further questioning by a support worker, says that he has successfully disarmed and restrained Rebecca in the past.

The worker completes the DVSAT with Mike, establishes that he is at threat, and makes a referral to the Local Coordination Point with Mike's consent. The worker also shares Rebecca's information in the referral.

When the Local Coordination Point contacts Mike he admits that he keeps a gun in the house and has been feeling depressed lately. Mike also exhibits anger towards Rebecca and blames her for losing his job.

From Mike's answers, the Local Coordination Point is unsure of the situation between Mike and Rebecca, but because Mike is identified as the victim, continues to support him. The Local Coordination Point stops sharing Rebecca's information when making referrals for more permanent accommodation and counselling for his depression.

Given concerns for the safety and wellbeing of the children who have remained in the care of Rebecca, the Local Coordination Point also completes the mandatory reported guide and takes any actions as required under the CYPCP Act.

There may be situations where a service provider stops sharing information about a person listed as the perpetrator and a court of law later determines that the victim and perpetrator were correctly identified (through granting an interim or a final ADVO, or a finding or plea of guilt for a domestic violence offence). In these cases, the service provider may resume sharing information about both the victim and the perpetrator, as identified in the referral, under the Protocol.

## 10.2 Perpetrator previously victim

A service provider may receive a referral or information about a victim and a perpetrator where there has been a history of domestic violence, and the person listed as the perpetrator in the current incident was previously:

- the primary victim in domestic violence proceedings, or
- assessed as being at threat from the person currently listed as the victim.

Where the victim in the current referral was previously the primary perpetrator, and is correctly identified in the referral, for example, by verifying with the referring service provider, they are entitled to benefit from the information sharing provisions under the Protocol, and to receive domestic violence support services.

Where a service provider receives a referral or information and forms the opinion that the person listed as the perpetrator in the current incident is the primary victim, the service provider should complete a threat assessment and, if necessary, make a referral to the Central Referral Point or a Local Coordination Point.

#### Case study: Perpetrator was previously the victim

Dana and Mirko were in a long term relationship characterised by domestic violence and have recently divorced. Dana has had a previous ADVO against Mirko following assault and stalking charges.

Recently, there have been confrontations between them about childcare arrangements for their daughter and one day both parents turn up to pick up the child. Mirko becomes verbally abusive and, coming in close to Dana, pushes her against a wall. Dana becomes fearful, lashes out, and scratches his face to get him to release her. Mirko yells out in pain and is seen holding his face by several witnesses. He calls the police.

When the police attend, Dana refuses to answer their questions. The police charge her with assault and make an application for a provisional ADVO against Dana. The police also make an automatic referral for Mirko to the Central Referral Point.

The Local Coordination Point who receives the referral identifies from records that Dana has previously been the victim and Mirko the perpetrator.

The Local Coordination Point continues to offer a service response to Mirko, but does not share information about Dana, and makes a referral to the Central Referral Point for Dana.

## 10.3 Both parties claim to be victim

A service provider may receive information or two separate referrals where both parties claim to be the victim. The service provider may wish to review available information relating to the parties, such as the circumstances of the current domestic violence incident or the existence of domestic violence proceedings, or seek clarification from the referring service provider to confirm the identity of the victim in the current domestic violence incident.

If there is no clear perpetrator and victim, then both parties can be treated as a victim and are entitled to receive domestic violence support services.

The decision to provide support services to one victim or the other rests with the service provider. For example, the decision may be based on which referral was first received by the service provider or whether the service provider previously worked with one of the persons listed in the referrals. In this case, the other referral must be sent back to the referring service provider for referral to a different service provider.

#### Case study: NSW Police make referrals for two identified victims

Police are called to an incident at Lucy and John's house in Cowra. On arrival, they find that both parties have serious injuries – John has stab wounds to the leg and Lucy has serious bruising to her face and neck. Lucy and John appear heavily intoxicated, and neither will speak to Police. Given the nature of the incident, Police assess both Lucy and John as at threat and make two referrals to the Central Referral Point.

The Central Referral Point refers Lucy to the Local Coordination Point in Cowra and John to the Local Coordination Point located within Victims Services NSW.

When the Local Coordination Point in Cowra speaks with Lucy, she discloses John's history of extreme violence towards her. Lucy states that she was sure that John was going to kill her that night, and only stabbed him in self-defence. The Local Coordination Point identifies Lucy as at serious threat and lists her on the agenda for the next Safety Action Meeting. The Local Coordination Point also contacts the Police and the Local Coordination Point supporting John to advise them of the situation.

The Local Coordination Point proceeds to support John carefully while ensuring that they do not share any information about Lucy that may place her at further threat from John.

Alternatively, if a service provider believes, on the balance of probabilities, that it should not continue to share information about, or provide domestic violence support services to one of the named victims, the service provider must:

- consider if the victim is assessed at serious threat. In this case, information should continue to be shared,
- if the victim is not assessed at serious threat, the service provider may stop sharing information,
- advise the referring service provider that information sharing has been stopped in relation to this victim,
- make a written record of the fact that information sharing has been stopped and why, and keep this record on file, and
- continue to share information for the provision of support services for the other identified victim.

## 11. Conflict of interest

This chapter provides guidance to service providers on how to identify and manage a conflict of interest in a way that will protect victims' safety and not breach their privacy. This is especially important for service providers that work in rural and remote communities, where the likelihood of conflicts of interest arising in the workplace is much higher.

## 11.1 Identifying a conflict of interest

A conflict of interest occurs when a worker's services to, or relationship with, the victim is compromised, or might be compromised, because of their existing professional or personal relationship with:

- the victim
- the perpetrator
- a third party (for example, a family member of the perpetrator).

In these situations, it may not be appropriate for the service provider to work with the victim.

A conflict of interest can be identified at the time a service provider receives a referral, or during the time they are working with a victim.

The actual or perceived safety of the victim must be a primary consideration for service providers dealing with a conflict of interest. For this reason, it is generally good practice for different service providers to deal with victims and perpetrators separately to avoid any real or perceived conflict of interest. Given the potential for serious threats and the sensitive nature of the work in the domestic violence context, service providers must have policies and procedures to ensure they can assist victims in a way that makes them feel protected and safe and that their privacy is protected. Such policies and procedures must also apply to the engagement of independent and professional translators or interpreters.

## 11.2 Dealing with a conflict of interest

Where a conflict of interest is identified, the matter should be declared immediately and escalated to a line manager for consideration whether the conflict can be dealt with through internal policies or procedures. If it can in a way that the safety and wellbeing of the victim is not compromised, then the service may provide services to both the victim and the perpetrator.

The following questions will help service providers consider whether their internal policies and processes are adequate to manage such a situation:

- Are procedures in place to identify and respond to conflicts of interest?
- Are procedures in place to ensure that separate staff members or teams work with the victim and the perpetrator?
- Will the victim feel safe and protected, and confident that their information will remain confidential?
- Are there information barriers so that information (verbal and written) about the victim cannot be shared with workers who:
  - have a personal relationship with the victim, or
  - have a professional or personal relationship with the perpetrator?

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- If an identified conflict of interest can be managed internally, will an external party (client or other service provider) still perceive that the conflict of interest exists?
- Are there processes to monitor timing of appointments to ensure the victim and perpetrator do not come face to face in or around the premises?

#### Case study: No conflict of interest

A domestic violence support service receives a referral for Ofra, following a referral from the Local Court. The referral is allocated to Batel who has not had any previous client relationship with Ofra. As she reads the referral, Batel recognises the perpetrator's name as that of her cousin's ex-partner, whom she never met.

Batel stops reading and meets with her manager to discuss whether it is appropriate for her to work with Ofra given the relationship.

Batel maintains that she is confident that her professional ethics and prior relationship between her cousin and the perpetrator will not influence her decision-making capacity and her ability to support Ofra. Her manager is satisfied that Batel can maintain strict confidentiality and that, in the event that Batel feels the victim's safety would in any way be compromised, she will advise her manager straight away.

The manager of the support service documents the situation and records the outcome of the discussion. Batel continues working on the file.

#### Case study: Conflict of interest

In the same scenario, additional information indicates that the perpetrator, who runs a small real estate conveyance firm, is currently refinancing Batel's and a colleague's mortgages.

Batel, the colleague and her manager meet and conclude that the professional relationship with the perpetrator would compromise their ability to work with Ofra. As there is no other staff available to take on the referral, the manager decides that the referral should be sent to another Local Coordination Point.

All referral material is deleted and destroyed.

## 11.3 Returning a referral

Where a service provider determines that it cannot manage a conflict of interest internally or assist a victim in a way that makes them feel protected and safe, it must send the referral back to the referring service provider as soon as possible for reallocation.

In addition, the service provider must securely destroy any referral information collected and held in paper files and electronic databases. This practice is subject to any other legal and record keeping requirements that service providers are required to follow. Refer to Chapter 14 Information management.

## 12. Consent

Consent is an essential element of sharing and managing victims' personal and health information. Gaining consent is not only best practice in terms of privacy protection; it is also an individual's right under NSW privacy law. Unless otherwise expressly stated, when a service provider contacts the victim, the service provider must seek the victim's consent to share their personal and health information with other service providers.

In some cases, serious threats to the life, health or safety of victims, children and other persons will require that steps to prevent or reduce the serious threat will take precedence over the confidentiality and privacy of individuals' information.

This chapter provides information on consent requirements. For victims at serious threat, refer also to Chapter 13 Serious threat.

A consent flowchart to assist service providers comply with their obligations regarding victim's consent is located at Appendix 3.

A consent form to record victim's consent is located at Appendix 5. Service providers may to use the form, adapt it to their circumstances or use an existing internal consent form.

## 12.1 Essential elements of consent

Consent can be verbal or in writing and must be voluntary, informed, reasonably specific, current, and given by a person who has capacity to give consent.

# Consent best practice The essential elements of consent are: Voluntary Informed

Specific Current

Capacity

## Voluntary

Consent must always be voluntary. The victim must feel they have a genuine choice about whether to give or withhold consent. The victim must not be coerced, pressured or intimidated into giving consent. Sufficient time must be given to the victim so that they can consider the request and, if appropriate, take advice.

It is important to consider the experiences of victims from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities or from culturally or linguistically diverse backgrounds. Some communities' understanding of privacy may be influenced by cultural traditions and beliefs, and experiences of trauma may make victims fearful of giving consent to share their information.

#### Informed

Consent must always be informed. Make reasonable efforts to ensure that the victim has all the relevant facts and information they need to understand what they are consenting to, and what the consequences of consenting or not consenting may be, such as the potential loss of a privilege at law. For further information on privileges, refer to Chapter 15 Privileges and subpoenas.

#### Examples of relevant facts:

- the purpose for sharing the victim's personal and health information
- information will not be shared with the perpetrator
- who will have access to the information
- how the recipient will use the information
- whether provision of the information is voluntary or required by law
- the consequences of giving or refusing consent.

See Health Privacy Principle 4 and s.10 of the PPIP Act.

Any discussion with the victim must include an explanation that the services provided by the service provider may be declined, or that the victim may choose to receive services from the service provider without having their information shared.

Provide victims from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities or from culturally or linguistically diverse background with interpreters or translators, if necessary, to ensure that consent is informed.

## Specific

The consent given by the victim must be specific. It must relate expressly to the purpose for sharing the information, such as to refer the victim for support services provided by another service provider, or so action can be taken to protect the victim and prevent or reduce a serious threat. It is important not to rely on a general or 'blanket' consent, as the victim may later feel they were not informed of the particular purpose for the information sharing and that their privacy has been breached.

Part 13A and the Protocol prescribe the different consent requirements depending on whether information is shared to:

- provide domestic violence support services to the victim; refer to Chapter 9 Victim referral to support services, or
- take action to prevent or reduce a serious threat to a person's life, health or safety; refer to Chapter 13 Serious threat.

## Current

Consent has a use-by date and does not continue indefinitely. The validity of consent may be questioned where a lengthy period has passed or the victim's personal situation has changed. It is good practice to inform the victim of the specific period for which their consent will be valid. A recommended timeframe for consent is three months and no longer than twelve months. Service providers should also make it clear that a person is entitled to change their mind and revoke their consent at any time.

#### Capacity

Generally, when a person has capacity to make a particular decision, they are able to do all of the following:

- understand the facts involved
- understand the main choices
- weigh up the consequences of the choices
- understand how the consequences affect them
- communicate their decision.

A victim cannot give consent or make other decisions if they do not have the necessary capacity to do so. Incapacity may be due to youth, age, injury or illness, or physical or mental impairment. This means that, where there is a doubt about a person's capacity, this capacity must be re-assessed every time a decision around consent is required.

The following principles apply when assessing a person's capacity:

- always presume a person has capacity
- capacity is decision-specific
- avoid the assumption that a person lacks capacity based on appearances
- assess the person's decision-making ability, not the decision they make. A decision that is regarded as uninformed or misguided does not indicate a lack of capacity, even if the victim makes a decision that the service provider believes may not be in their best interest
- respect a person's privacy
- substitute decision-making is a last resort.

The complexity, seriousness and impact of the decision will influence the level of understanding required. A victim's capacity to consent may depend on appropriate support provided to them, such as using an interpreter or a support person for a victim with a physical, mental or cognitive impairment.

When seeking written consent, service providers must be sensitive to the written language capacity of victims.

## Test for capacity:

Section 7 HRIP Act establishes a test for capacity and states that a person is incapable of giving consent if they:

- cannot understand the general nature and effect of a particular decision or action under the HRIP Act, or
- cannot communicate their intentions or consent (or refusal of consent) to the decision or action.

This test for capacity is a guide only and does not necessarily govern how consent should be given under the Protocol.

## 12.2 Giving consent on behalf of victim

Where a victim is incapable of giving consent, an authorised representative may give consent on their behalf where the information concerned is health information. The HRIP Act

Refer to: Section 8 HRIP Act.

concerned is health information. The *HRIP Act* sets out the list of people who can be an authorised representative:

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- someone who has an enduring power of attorney for the victim, or
- a guardian within the meaning of the Guardianship Act 1987, or a person responsible within the meaning of Part 5 of that Act who has been allocated a specific function to provide consent to medical or support services, or
- any other person who is authorised by law to act for or represent the victim.

Before allowing an authorised representative to give consent on behalf of a victim to share health information, the service provider must take reasonable steps to ensure that the authorised representative is not also the perpetrator or acting on behalf of the perpetrator.

In cases where the victim does not have the capacity to give consent and the authorised representative is not available, information cannot be shared unless the victim is also at serious threat.

## 12.3 Implied consent

Implied consent means that a victim does not explicitly, either verbally or in writing, give their consent to share information. Under NSW privacy laws, consent can be inferred by, for example:

- conduct or behaviour and the facts and circumstances of a particular situation
- silence or inaction
- consenting to one action, thereby implying their consent to a range of other actions.

#### Case study: Victim gives implied consent

Trudi is a young woman with three small children. She lives in a rented house five kilometres from a large regional centre. Trudi goes to a non-government service provider in a very distressed state accompanied by her three children. Trudi's regular counsellor, Agnes, comes in and speaks to her.

Trudi tells Agnes that her uncle Tim has moved in with her and the children. When Trudi confronted Tim after she discovered that he had not paid rent as he had promised to do and she had received an eviction notice as a result, Tim threatened to hurt her. The threats frightened Trudi so much that she fled the house and walked to town with the children to seek refuge. Just telling the story upsets Trudi so much that she is crying and shaking. Agnes seeks verbal consent to share information with a women's emergency housing service but Trudi is too upset to give explicit consent.

Agnes believes that safe accommodation is the first priority for Trudi and the children. Agnes' manager, Helen, agrees that, even though Trudi is too distressed to give explicit verbal consent, the fact that she has walked with her children to seek help and support and has said she wants to go to a refuge, implies that she has given consent to share information for this purpose.

Agnes proceeds with sharing information about Trudi and her children with the women's emergency housing service. Only the information necessary to make the referral and to secure a place in the service is disclosed.

In Trudi's file, Agnes notes that information was shared with implied rather than explicit consent, with the manager's approval, and notes the outcome of sharing the information.

It can be difficult to demonstrate that a victim has genuinely consented where a service provider relies on implied consent. The victim may not have heard, fully understood or had all the available information to make an informed decision.

Service providers may have difficulty distinguishing a victim's silence or inaction as an intention to give implied consent because of fear or trauma.

For this reason, and particularly in a domestic violence context, it is preferable to seek a victim's explicit consent.

## 12.4 Documenting consent

Consent can be obtained verbally or in writing. Where obtained verbally, service providers must make a written record of the information exchange and the verbal consent.

Any consent obtained from a victim must be stored on the victim's file.

Where the victim's consent is implied, it must be noted in the victim's records, with a record of a manager's approval to share information with implied rather than explicit consent and the outcome of sharing the information.

A consent form to record victim's verbal or written consent is located at Appendix 5. Service providers are encouraged to use the form, adapt it to their circumstances or use an existing internal consent form.

## 12.5 Victim does not consent

Where a referral is received from the Central Referral Point and/or a Local Coordination Point, and the victim does not consent to share information, no further information can be shared under the Protocol.

A service provider must still consider whether:

- the victim is at serious threat; in this case, refer to Chapter 13 Serious threat
- there are concerns for the safety, welfare or wellbeing of a child or young person; in this case, the service provider should take any actions as required by the CYPCP Act
- the victim still wishes to be referred to a support service; if the victim chooses not to consent to information being shared but still wishes to receive support services, a referral should be made that only includes information that the victim consents to being shared, for example, the victim's first name, date of birth and contact details. Alternatively, the victim may be provided with the service provider's contact details and choose which information they will disclose directly with the service provider.

Where no consent is given and the victim is not at serious threat, the service provider must advise the referring service provider that consent was refused.

For automatic referrals, any information provided by the referring service provider must be securely destroyed. This practice is subject to any other legal and record keeping requirements that service providers are required to follow. Refer to Chapter 14 Information management.

## 12.6 Victim withdraws consent

The victim may withdraw their consent at any time. The withdrawal of consent can occur verbally or in writing. Where obtained verbally, a written record of the withdrawal of consent must be made. Any withdrawal of consent by a victim must be stored on the victim's file.

Service providers should not destroy personal and health information about the victim and the perpetrator collected up to the time that the victim's consent is withdrawn.

Where a victim identified at serious threat withdraws consent, refer to Chapter 13 Serious threat.

## 13. Serious threat

The procedures in this chapter are supplementary for cases where there is a serious threat to the life, health or safety of a victim, any children or other persons. Where there is a conflict between the procedures outlined in this chapter and those outlined in the rest of the Protocol, the procedures outlined in this chapter take precedence for victims at serious threat.

While there are some situations where consent is not required for victims at serious threat, it is best practice to obtain their consent to share their information. Where possible, service providers must involve victims at every step of the process to ensure they have an understanding of, and confidence in, the process. Victims at serious threat will feel more reassured about their information being shared if they have been involved and where their consent has been sought.

For identification of a victim at serious threat, refer to Chapter 8 Threat identification.

## 13.1 Imminence

Before Part 13A, NSW privacy laws allowed information sharing without a person's consent only where a threat to a person's life, health or safety was *serious* and *imminent*. Part 13A changes this and allows information to be shared where a threat is serious. There is no requirement to show that the threat is also imminent

This change was made because, in domestic violence situations, a serious threat may exist but it might be hard to determine whether the threat is imminent. For example, in cases of long-term domestic violence where there have been repeated assaults, there may be no identifiable immediate threats to a victim's safety, but serious concerns about the victim's safety remain.

## 13.2 Consent

In the case of a serious threat to the life, health or safety of a victim, service providers must always try to obtain the victim's consent before sharing their personal and health information.

For example, service providers should inform the victim that there are serious threats to their life, health or safety, that of any children or other persons and advise the victim that only information necessary to prevent or lessen the serious threat will be shared, and the potential outcomes of sharing that information.

Sharing information without consent is allowed where:

- it is unreasonable or impractical to obtain consent from the victim, or
- the victim has refused consent.

In cases where a victim is at serious threat and children are victims or affected by domestic violence in the home, service providers that are prescribed bodies must take actions as required under the CYPCP Act, and also make a referral for the victim to the Central Referral Point and/or a Local Coordination Point. Refer to Chapter 5 Protocol and child protection legislation and the Domestic Violence and Child Protection Guidelines.

## 13.3 Unreasonable or impractical to gain consent

What is unreasonable or impractical is difficult to define, as it will vary depending on the circumstances of each situation. When deciding if something is unreasonable or impractical, service providers must consider what an ordinary person (not a professional) would expect or think would be acceptable in the situation.

Service providers must not determine that something is unreasonable or impractical simply because it is inconvenient.

#### Examples where unreasonable or impractical to gain consent:

- The victim is unconscious or in a coma.
- The victim has not answered their telephone despite repeated attempts to contact them each day over several days or a week.
- The victim cannot be contacted independently of the perpetrator and does not have regular appointments with a service.
- Where the need to provide support requires an urgent response and there is either no time or the victim cannot be contacted.
- Where there is a history of the perpetrator extracting information from the victim about what they have done and who they have talked to.

In assessing whether it is unreasonable or impractical to obtain consent, service providers must consider whether seeking the victim's consent may increase their level of threat. In some instances, telling a victim that information about them and the perpetrator will be shared can jeopardise the victim's safety. For example, in domestic violence situations it can be important for the victim's safety that the perpetrator remains unaware of impending interventions. If the perpetrator is aware, this may result in an escalation of violence.

Service providers must also consider the potential for placing the victim at increased risk of violence where the attempt to reduce or prevent the serious threat was not successful and the perpetrator becomes aware that the victim has reached out for support.

## Case study: Impractical to obtain victim's consent

Emily is a disability support worker visiting Diane at home. Diane has a long history of hospital admissions for multiple sclerosis.

During home visits, Diane's partner, Craig, refuses to leave the room, stating that as her carer he needs to know what is happening. Emily has noted that Diane continuously looks at Craig before answering questions and that it is not uncommon for Craig to speak for Diane.

At a recent visit, Emily noted that Diane had large bruises on her arms, a black eye and a cut to her head. Diane said that she had fallen over in the dark and hit some furniture because she forgot to turn on the light.

Emily receives a phone call from Diane's sister, Sarah, stating that Craig often hits Diane and does not allow her to leave the house. Sarah reports that Diane's most recent admission to hospital for a broken arm was the result of an attack by Craig, but that Diane denied this to police and discharged herself from hospital.

## Case study: Impractical to obtain victim's consent, cont.

Sarah says that if she visits Diane when Craig is out, Diane cannot let Sarah into the house because Craig locks the doors and Diane does not have keys. Sarah fears for Diane's life. She says that Diane has told her that Craig has started holding her head under water when angry. Sarah says that Diane wants to leave but is too scared because she thinks that Craig will find her.

At her next visit, when Diane is talking about aspects of her health, Sarah asks her if she would like help from a women's health service. Craig replies that Diane already has a doctor and that he takes her to appointments whenever necessary. Diane does not respond. Emily observes that Diane is very subdued and dishevelled and will not make eye contact.

Emily talks to her supervisor about Diane and that in her professional judgement, Diane is at serious threat of serious injury or death. Emily seeks permission to contact a women's domestic violence support service without seeking Diane's consent on the basis that it is unreasonable and impractical. The supervisor endorses Emily's request to contact the domestic violence service without seeking Diane's consent.

Emily makes a referral for Diane to the Central Referral Point, which refers the case to the Local Coordination Point. The Local Coordination Point lists Diane on the next Safety Action Meeting agenda.

For more information on Safety Action Meetings, refer to the Safety Action Meeting Manual.

## 13.4 Overriding a refusal to consent

Service providers and other agencies have an obligation to respect a victim's right to privacy. If a victim does not consent to having their information shared, the service provider must not share information about that victim.

An exception exists where a service provider reasonably believes that by sharing information, actions could be taken that are necessary to prevent or lessen a serious threat to the victim's life, health or safety, that of any children or other persons. Where those conditions are met, the service provider may override a victim's refusal to consent.

This is a difficult decision but the service provider must consider the impact to a person's safety if the information is not disclosed. Ultimately, the safety of the victim, any children or other persons is paramount and must always guide decision-making.

#### Case study: Overriding victim's refusal to consent

Evelyn lives with her boyfriend Wiremu a few kilometres out of a small country town in western NSW. They both used to work at the abattoir in the next town and travel to and from work together, but Evelyn stopped working about 3 months ago. Wiremu goes to the pub with his friends every Friday night and often brags that he has the perfect life: a girlfriend who does what she is told and never complains because she knows better.

People around town have noticed that they never see Evelyn anymore except when she and Wiremu come to town to do the shopping. He always drops her off at the supermarket and goes to the pub for a while.

On one of these occasions, the local Community Health worker, Carmen is also in the supermarket and notices that Evelyn is hunched over and appears to be in pain. She asks Evelyn to come by the health centre after she has finished shopping. Carmen also notices several large bruises on Evelyn's arms, neck and face. Evelyn hesitates for a second but then tells Carmen that she is fine.

A few days later Carmen drives to Evelyn's house knowing that Wiremu is at work. Evelyn does not invite her in and appears very scared. She has a black eye and a large cut on her cheek. Carmen asks Evelyn about her injuries, but she refuses to answer her questions. Carmen tries to engage her, suggests that Wiremu has been assaulting her, and tells her that she can make a referral for domestic violence support services.

Evelyn denies that Wiremu has assaulted her, refuses any assistance and tells Carmen that she must leave.

Carmen returns to the Community Health Centre and using professional judgement assesses that Evelyn is at serious threat and that actions are necessary to prevent or lessen the threat.

Although Evelyn has denied that Wiremu had assaulted her and has refused assistance for domestic violence support services, Carmen discusses the situation with her manager who approves Carmen to override Evelyn's refusal to consent.

Evelyn makes a referral to the Central Referral Point.

## 13.5 Sharing information without consent

Where a service provider believes a serious domestic violence threat exists and it is unreasonable or impractical to obtain the victim's consent or the victim's refusal to consent should be overridden, the service provider must:

- ensure that there is a valid threat assessment evidencing the victim is at serious threat; refer to Chapter 8 Threat identification, and
- believe, based on reasonable grounds, that the use or disclosure of personal and health information is:
  - necessary to prevent or lessen a serious threat to the victim's life, health or safety, that of any children or other persons, and
  - the serious threat relates to the commission or possible commission of a domestic violence offence.

#### On reasonable grounds

What is reasonable will vary depending on the circumstances of each situation. When deciding if something is reasonable, service providers must consider what an ordinary person (not a professional) would expect or think would be acceptable in the situation.

#### Necessary

Service providers must consider if there are any actions that can be taken to reduce or prevent the serious threat to the life, health or safety of a victim without sharing the victim's information. If the only way to reduce or prevent the serious threat is by sharing information, service providers should override the victim's refusal to consent and share the information necessary so that actions can be taken.

## To prevent or lessen a serious threat

The use or disclosure of personal or health information must allow the service provider using or receiving it to take steps it would not otherwise be able to take to, either to remove the serious threat entirely, or to reduce it.

Service providers must also consider that not sharing the information of a victim identified as at serious threat because the victim has refused consent may preclude them from being referred to a Safety Action Meeting.

When making this assessment, service providers must consider whether sharing information would actually increase the threat to the victim or any other persons. If the threat cannot be prevented or lessened and, sharing information would actually increase the threat, then the information must not be shared.

If the attempt to prevent or lessen the threat by sharing information is unsuccessful, the use or disclosure of the information will not have contravened Part 13A or the Protocol as long as there was a reasonable belief that using or disclosing the information without consent was necessary to prevent or lessen the serious threat.

## Case study: sharing information without consent

Rhye is a manager at a Community Mental Health Centre and has been informed by staff that Connor has stopped taking medication to treat paranoid schizophrenia. Connor has been a patient at the centre for 8 years and although he mostly complies with his medication and appointments, he has previously refused to comply with treatment and consequently had a severe paranoid episode, which resulted in him being physically restrained by a neighbour during an assault on his partner Tara. Rhye also knows from Connor's file that Connor has received a custodial sentence for a serious domestic violence assault on a previous partner.

Rhye reasonably believes that there are no actions that he can take that would reduce or prevent the serious threat to Tara's life, health or safety, other than by sharing Connor's information.

Rhye believes that to respond effectively to the serious threat posed by Connor refusing to take his medication and his history of paranoia and violence towards partners, it is necessary for him to share information with the Local Coordination Point without Connor's consent so that appropriate actions can be taken to prevent a domestic violence offence.

#### Commission or possible commission of a domestic violence offence

Information can only be shared without the consent of a victim at serious threat if the threat to the victim or other persons relates to an offence that the service provider believes on reasonable grounds is about to be committed or may be committed, and that offence is a domestic violence offence.

#### Refer to:

Section 11, Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007.

A domestic violence offence means a personal violence offence committed by a perpetrator against a victim where they have or have had a domestic relationship. It can also refer to a crime that may

be committed against another person because of that domestic relationship, such as against the victim's new partner, any children or other persons.

#### Questions to consider:

The following questions may assist service providers considering sharing information without the consent of a victim:

- Is there a serious threat to the life, health or safety of the victim, any children or other persons?
- Can the information be shared under Chapter 16A of the CYPCP Act?
- Has the serious threat been identified using the procedures outlined in *Chapter 8 Threat identification?*
- Does the threat relate to the commission or possible commission of a domestic violence offence?
- Is the sharing of information motivated by an intention to prevent or lessen the serious threat?
- Is the use or disclosure of personal or health information necessary to prevent or lessen the serious threat?
- Can the threat be prevented or lessened without disclosing personal or health information?
- If disclosed, can the recipient service provider take action to prevent or lessen the threat?

Where information cannot be shared under Chapter 16A and the service provider is still uncertain, they must consider the impact on the victim's safety if the information is not disclosed. Ultimately, it is preferable to disclose the information as the life, health or safety of victims, any children or other persons is paramount.

If there are child protection issues, the service provider must also comply with its child protection obligations, and complete the mandatory reporter guide if necessary. Child protection issues override any provisions relating to victim consent.

## 13.6 Informing victims

Where a decision is made to share information without the consent of the victim, it is important to inform the victim at the earliest opportunity. Where possible, inform the victim before the information is shared. The only exception is where it is determined that informing the victim may actually increase the serious threat.

Victims must be informed:

- that there are serious concerns for their life, health and/or safety, that of any children or other persons
- that information will be shared even without their consent
- of the service providers with which the information will be shared
- that only information that is necessary to prevent or lessen the serious threat will be shared, and advise what information will be shared
- the potential outcomes of sharing that information.

## 13.7 Record keeping

A service provider that has serious concerns for a victim's life, health or safety and makes a decision to share or not share their information must:

- make a written record which clearly articulates why a decision was made to share or not share information (referring to the serious threat and how the threat will or will not be prevented or reduced by the collection, use or disclosure of information)
- attach a copy of any threat assessment undertaken, to the written record
- keep both on the victim's file.

Where a decision is made to share information, the written record must include:

- if the victim was informed of the decision, a summary of what information was provided to the victim, or
- if the victim was not informed of the decision, a summary of the reasons why it was decided not to inform the victim

If a victim's refusal of consent is overridden, the written record must include a summary of the reasons for the victim's refusal to consent, why it was necessary to share the information without the victim's consent and the outcome of any agency actions.

#### Case study: Documenting a decision to override victim's consent

Jim was previously on a community treatment order for a mental illness. The order provided for compulsory medication and attendance at a Mental Health specialist. The order has now lapsed and Jim attends a Community Health Centre. The Centre is aware of a history of serious domestic violence assaults by Jim against his wife Karen.

Jim reports to the doctor at the Centre that he has stopped taking his medication and is hearing voices. Karen is also present but appears withdrawn and subdued. The doctor considers that in his professional judgement, Karen is at serious threat, but there is nothing to suggest that the threat is imminent.

The doctor asks if he could speak to Karen alone. The doctor advises her that he has concerns that she may be at serious threat of domestic violence. He asks Karen if he could make a referral to a domestic violence support service for her. The doctor explains why he wants to share information and make the referral. Karen tells the doctor that it would only make matters worse and refuses to give her consent.

Despite Karen's refusal of consent, the doctor reasonably believes that sharing information about Karen and Jim to the Central Referral Point is necessary to prevent or lessen the serious threat to Karen's life, health or safety. The doctor assesses that there is no reasonable alternative way of preventing or lessening that serious threat.

The doctor overrides Karen's refusal to consent. He explains to Karen that he is doing this by making a referral to the Central Referral Point. The doctor tells Karen what information he will share and what she can expect.

The doctor then makes a referral to the Central Referral Point. The doctor also makes a written record of Karen's refusal to consent on the Client Consent Form and on the Central Referral Point referral

The doctor then takes necessary steps to address Jim's immediate mental health issues and for a new psychiatric assessment.

# 14. Information management

Sharing information can save lives but it must be balanced with people's rights to privacy and confidentiality. This means that the information shared under the Protocol must be necessary for the provision of domestic violence support services to the victim, or to lessen or prevent a serious threat to the life, health and safety of a victim, any children or other persons.

This chapter outlines procedures governing what, how and when information can be shared. Service providers must ensure they have clear information management procedures in place for the collection, use, disclosure, storage and disposal of personal and health information that comply with the Protocol.

#### Refer to:

See Responding to information requests or directions under Chapter 16A and Information Exchange: long fact sheet for human service workers.

Where children are victims or are affected by domestic violence in the home, service providers who are prescribed bodies should take any actions as required under the CYPCP Act and share information under Chapter 16A of that Act. Where information is shared under Chapter 16A, the provisions for

managing information under the CYPCP Act apply. For more information, refer to Chapter 5 Protocol and child protection legislation and the Domestic Violence and the Child Protection System Guidelines.

## 14.1 Information that can be shared

Each service provider is responsible for decisions about what information it considers reasonably necessary to share under the Protocol. As a guide, information shared may include, but is not limited to:

- name, date of birth, gender, address and contact details of the victim
- relationship to the perpetrator and whether the victim is living with the perpetrator
- The Protocol takes precedence over section 19(1) of the *PPIP Act* relating to disclosure of an individual's ethnic or racial origin, where the disclosure is made under the Protocol. Another exception is where the individual has consented under section 26(2).
- whether the victim has or is thought to have any mental illness, disability or drug and alcohol issues
- injuries resulting from an act of violence
- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background or another cultural background
- whether an interpreter, an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander identified person or disability support worker is required to make contact with the victim
- a safe method and time to contact the victim
- the perpetrator's name, date of birth, gender and address, whether the perpetrator has or is thought to have any mental illness, a disability or drug and alcohol issues, and any assessment made regarding the perpetrator's risk of re-offending
- the names of any children normally present in the victim's or perpetrator's home, their dates of birth, whether they are living with the victim, whether they have or are thought to have any mental illness, a disability or drug and alcohol issues

- whether any children have sustained any injuries resulting from an act of violence, and the risk of harm to any children as a result of domestic violence (the CYPCP Act applies in these circumstances. Refer to the Chapter 5 Protocol and child protection legislation and Domestic Violence and Child Protection Guidelines).
- any recognised risk factors for domestic violence, including copies of any completed risk assessment tools
- support services currently of previously provided to the victim or the perpetrator, any actions taken in relation to threat factors and date of last contact.

Where there are domestic violence proceedings underway, information shared may also include:

- administrative details, including date of the domestic violence incident, court file number, court date, and conditions of any ADVO sought or in existence
- the grounds of any ADVO application
- any previous domestic violence incidents involving either the victim or the perpetrator (including where the victim was previously a perpetrator and the perpetrator a victim), whether the perpetrator has at any time breached an ADVO, community based order or bail; and whether the perpetrator is or at any time was in custody
- any police event number, the officer in charge and Local Area Command, nature of any charges, and conditions of any bail conditions sought or in existence.

# 14.2 Information management principles

Information sharing must be secure, timely, accurate and relevant.

# Best practice

When information is shared it should be:

Secure

**T**imely

**A**ccurate

Relevant

#### Secure

Personal and health information must be shared and stored securely.

Information may be shared verbally or in writing, but written information exchange is preferred. Referral forms, letters, e-mails and other forms of electronic communication may be used. Do not share personal and health information by facsimile, unless the fax machine is secure, the recipient can guarantee sole access and the fax number is confirmed prior to sending the information. Hard copies of documents must be marked 'confidential' and electronic copies must be password protected where possible. Make a written record of the information exchange and store on file.

Service providers should advise and add the following statement to all written communications with the receiving service provider:

 any inappropriate disclosure of the information has potential harmful consequences for the victim's safety

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- the information is provided on the basis that the receiving service provider does not use it for any purposes other than those outlined in the referral/information request
- the receiving service provider must not disclose the information further without the victim's consent.

Information can be shared verbally over the telephone or in person. Verbal information exchange is more likely to occur when a victim is considered at serious threat and a more immediate response is required. A written record of the verbal exchange detailing the information shared must be noted on file. Do not leave personal or health information on voicemail.

Service providers should also refer to their internal policies and procedures related to management of confidential information.

#### Timely

Provide information in a timely manner to facilitate the provision of domestic violence support services at the earliest opportunity. This is particularly important in cases of serious threat, where information is shared to prevent or lessen a serious threat to the life, health or safety of a victim or other persons. Service providers sharing information must consider the level of threat to the victim and the urgency of the information request response and prioritise the information sharing process accordingly.

#### Accurate

Accuracy of information is vital. Each service provider is responsible for taking reasonable steps to ensure that the information it shares is up-to-date and accurate. It is good practice to check with the victim that the information is correct.

If a service provider discloses information that is not up-to-date, this must be declared and the receiving service provider must consider the limitations and usefulness of historic information. It is recommended that service providers add the following statement when sharing information:

the information provided is accurate as at dd/mm/yy, this date being that of the last contact with <<service provide name>> that is providing the information.

A receiving service provider must advise the disclosing service provider if they are aware of inaccuracies in information shared with them.

Where the information is factual or first hand, it can be recorded as such and passed on as being factual. Where the information contains a personal or professional opinion or belief, then the identity of the person who held that opinion or belief – whether it is a victim, worker or other professional – should be included. This includes when a professional assessment is made about the victim.

#### Examples of how facts should be recorded:

- The hearing in this matter is set down for 12 March 2014.
- Jason was previously found guilty at Campbelltown Local Court of a domestic violence related assault on the victim that occurred on 24 September 2011.
- Chen [the victim] advised that Lok was no longer living in the family home.

#### NOT Lok is no longer living in the family home.

Examples of how opinion should be recorded:

 Bernadette was assessed by a psychiatrist on 12 November 2010 and the psychiatrist concluded that Bernadette has bipolar traits.

#### NOT The victim has bipolar.

• Linda [the victim] advised that she is scared of Steve's behaviour.

#### NOT Linda is scared of Steve.

• In his report, the social worker concluded that there is a serious threat that Akashi will harm Kiyomi and may even kill her.

NOT There is a serious threat that Akashi will harm Kiyomi and may even kill her.

#### Relevant

The information shared must be limited to what is needed to fulfil the purpose of sharing the information. The information must be proportionate to the purpose and not excessive or unnecessarily detailed. Each service provider is responsible for decisions about what information it considers reasonably necessary to share for the legitimate purposes set out in the Protocol.

#### Examples of relevant information shared:

- In one case, it may be important to list the schools attended by a victim's children because
  the perpetrator is stalking the victim when she picks the children up from school, but for
  another case, this information may not be relevant.
- A referral to emergency accommodation for a victim would not typically need to include a full disclosure of the victim's health information, unless her health issues need to be considered in determining an appropriate placement.

Service providers must not share more than is necessary to make a referral for the provision of support services or to prevent or lessen a serious threat. In cases of serious threat, however, the life, health or safety of victims is paramount and where a service provider is uncertain as to whether or not to disclose information additional to what is necessary to make the referral or to prevent or lessen the serious threat, it is preferable to err on the side of disclosure.

Service providers must have information management policies and procedures in place. Where there is a direct conflict between the Protocol and internal policies and procedures, the Protocol takes precedence.

# 14.3 Recording information shared

Where a service provider collects, uses or shares personal or health information about a victim or perpetrator for the purposes set out in the Protocol, service providers must make a record of the information exchange and place on the client's file:

- where the information is shared in writing, a copy of the information collected, used or disclosed, or
- where the information is shared verbally, a written record must be made that explains what information was collected, used or disclosed.

An exception is where an automatic referral is made by the NSW Police Force or a NSW Local Court, and the victim declines assistance and does not give consent to share their information. In this case, and if there is no serious threat, service providers must securely destroy any information collected from paper files or electronic databases.

This practice is subject to any other legal and record keeping requirements that service providers are required to follow.

# 14.4 Protecting stored information

Refer to:
PPIP Act IPP 12 and HRIP Act HPP 5.

Service providers are responsible for the protection of personal and health information, including client files and any other records containing personal or

health information. Service providers must implement reasonable safeguards against loss or unauthorised access, use, modification or disclosure, and ensure that information is managed securely to avoid the risk of intentional or unintentional privacy breaches.

Service providers must conduct regular self-assessments of information security arrangements to ensure they are effective.

Some reasonable physical safeguards include:

- locking file cabinets and unattended storage areas
- securing the areas in which personal and health information is stored
- not storing information in public areas
- positioning computer terminals and fax machines so they cannot be seen or accessed by unauthorised people or members of the public
- not removing any client file from work premises without a compelling reason.

Some reasonable technological safeguards include:

- using individual password protection for computer access and databases (and regular changes to passwords)
- establishing information access levels for staff
- ensuring information is transferred securely
- using electronic audit trails
- installing virus protection software and firewalls

- not using portable storage devices such as CDs or flash drives to store and transport identifiable client information
- not storing client information on laptop computers.

Some reasonable administrative safeguards include:

- introducing appropriate policies and procedures to address information security and information confidentiality awareness
- training staff on those policies and procedures.

# 14.5 Retention of information

A medical practitioner or medical corporation must comply with the *Health Practitioner Regulation* (New South Wales) 2010 and retain health records:

Refer to:

where the most recent entry relates to a person when they were an adult, for seven years from the last occasion on which the person was provided with a service, or

PPIP Act IPP 12 and HRIP Act HPP 5. For NSW government agencies, see s.12 of the State Records Act 1998.

where the most recent entry relates to a person when they were under the age of 18 years, until the person has reached 25 years of age.

NSW government agencies must also comply with record retention and disposal policies under the State Records Act 1998.

#### Refer to:

Part 4 s.10 of the Health Practitioner Regulation (NSW) 2010.

Under NSW privacy guidelines, service providers must only keep information for as long as it is required for the purposes for which it was originally obtained. It is not a sufficient requirement under

NSW privacy laws and the Protocol that service providers keep information because a person might have further contact with a service provider at a later stage.

Where service providers decide to destroy a victim's file, they may consider contacting the victim to see if they want to keep their file instead (ensuring that there is nothing in the file that might breach another person's privacy).

In some instances, clients may need records as evidence for future legal action, such as where a victim has experienced assault, or trauma, or a negative experience with the service provider.

When considering how long personal and health information should be kept, service providers must ensure they understand their obligations under NSW privacy laws, other NSW legislation that deals with retention and disposal of personal and health records, the Protocol, and their internal policies. Service providers may refer to their internal Records Management Unit, if available, for further guidance.

#### 14.6 Destruction of information

Service providers must destroy or permanently de-identify personal and health information collected that is no longer required for its original purposes. This practice is subject to any other legal and record keeping requirements that service providers are required to follow.

Destruction of records must be irreversible. This means that there is no reasonable risk of recovering or restoring the information. Failure to ensure the total destruction of records may lead to the unauthorised release of information and potential breaches of NSW privacy laws.

Service providers must securely destroy hardcopy records such as paper files by shredding or using secure disposal facility. It is not enough to put files into recycling bins. Similarly, all digital records, stored in shared drives, databases or emails, must also be destroyed. Destruction of digital records is different to the destruction of hardcopy records. Pressing 'delete' does not necessarily mean that the records are completely gone; while the link used to access them may be removed, they may still exist in a data store or on a server. The destruction of records must be such that there is no reasonable risk of the information being recovered.

# 15. Privileges and subpoenas

This chapter provides assistance on how to respond to a subpoena and what potential privileges at law exist in respect of information.

# 15.1 Subpoenas

A court may issue a subpoena to a service provider to produce documents to assist the court in considering a matter before it. A subpoena may be sought by any party to a court proceeding (commonly through their legal representative) and is similar to a court order as it must be obeyed unless the court decides differently. The court proceedings may or may not relate to domestic violence. Compliance with a subpoena is required by law.

If a service provider receives a subpoena to produce information about a victim or a perpetrator, that service provider must seek legal advice before producing any information. A subpoena may be challenged on a number of different grounds, including abuse of process, oppression and/or on the basis of a privilege at law over the information.

A service provider that has received, used or disclosed information may be subpoenaed to produce the information held. A subpoena may request that certain documents be produced to the court, such as case notes, files or any other records. Subpoenaed documents do not automatically become evidence in legal proceedings, but even if the documents are not used in evidence, the information obtained from them could potentially cause harm to a victim, particularly in domestic violence cases.

Where a victim's record has been subpoenaed and the victim is not a party to the proceeding, the service provider must notify the victim that the subpoena has been received.

# 15.2 Privileges at law

Privileges exist at law that create a right to keep communication between a person and a professional confidential. The professional may be a legal practitioner, social worker or sexual assault counsellor. The communication that is subject to the privilege may be either written or verbal. When a communication is protected by a privilege it may not need to be disclosed, even where that information is subpoenaed by the court for legal proceedings (either related or not related to domestic violence).

Privileges belong to victims; so while file notes belong to the service providers, any subpoena must be discussed with the victim.

This means that service providers can potentially object and raise a privilege at law if they are subpoenaed to produce certain records about a victim. For service providers working with victims of domestic violence, it is critical to be aware of these privileges and how they apply to victims.

Although documents such as case notes or files belong to the service provider, any privilege belongs to the victim and so the subpoena must be discussed with them. If the victim consents to disclosure of the information, the information can be disclosed.

There are three privileges at law that service providers may potentially rely upon to keep information about the victim confidential:

- legal professional privilege
- sexual assault communications privilege
- professional confidential relationship privilege.

# 15.3 Legal professional privilege

#### Refer to:

The client legal privilege in Part 3.10, Division 1, s.117-126 of the *Evidence Act 1995*.

Legal professional privilege (known as client legal privilege under the *Evidence Act 1995* operates in the context of the lawyer-client relationship. It relates to communication between a client and

their legal representative to provide the client with legal advice for legal proceedings.

The purpose behind this legal principle is to protect a person's ability to access the justice system by encouraging complete disclosure to legal representatives without fear that any disclosure of those communications may prejudice them in the future.

# 15.4 Sexual assault communications privilege

#### Refer to:

The Sexual Assault Communications Privilege in Part 3.10, Division 1, sections 126G – I of the *Evidence Act 1995* and in Part 5, Division 2, sections 295 to 306 of the *Criminal Procedure Act 1986*.

Sexual assault communications are communications made in the course of a confidential relationship between a victim of sexual assault and a counsellor.

Similar to the legal professional privilege, the sexual assault communications privilege provides an absolute prohibition against requiring the production

of documents recording counselling communications in preliminary criminal proceedings. Once the main criminal proceedings have started, the privilege will also apply unless the court specifically grants leave and requires the documents be provided. Documents that are the subject of this privilege in any criminal proceedings continue to be privileged in subsequent civil proceedings.

A sexual assault privilege also applies in ADVO proceedings.

In NSW, an objection may be made to producing a protected confidence on the ground that it is privileged; but the victim of the sexual assault can consent to disclosure.

The purpose of this privilege is to give victims a confidential and safe place to talk about, or disclose, information about their traumatic experience, personal or sensitive issues and concerns. It includes counselling communications made by, to or about a victim.

The communications privilege will still apply if the communication is made in the presence of a third party, where the third party is present to facilitate the communication or to further the counselling process.

#### Case study: Disclosure where third party present

Amy attends therapy sessions with a counsellor at the local domestic violence support service for a sexual assault that occurred six months ago. A student on placement is also in the room, observing Amy's counselling session. The counsellor receives a subpoena from a court requesting access to her case notes. A claim of sexual assault communications privilege can be made by the counsellor on behalf of Amy even though there a was a third party in the counselling session.

#### Case study: Disclosure in support group

Trung attends a support group for sexual assault victims and discloses information to the group. The facilitator receives a subpoena from a court requesting she give evidence about information disclosed by Trung at the support group. A claim of sexual assault communications privilege can be made by the facilitator on behalf of Trung even though other participants were present at the support group.

For more information on sexual assault communications privilege, victims should be referred to the Sexual Assault Communications Privilege Service.

# 15.5 Professional confidential relationship privilege

#### Refer to:

Professional Confidential Relationship Privilege in Part 3.10, Division 1, s.126A – F of the *Evidence Act 1995* 

The professional confidential relationship privilege is designed to protect communications from disclosure where those communications are made in the context of a professional-client relationship and the professional is acting under an obligation

not to disclose the communications. This protection extends to a wide range of professions, including health professionals, counsellors, social workers and professionals in other relationships where confidentiality is essential to the continuation of the relationship.

#### Refer to:

See exclusion of evidence of protected confidences in Part 3.10, Division 1, s.126B of the *Evidence Act 1995*.

This privilege is distinct from legal professional privilege. There is no absolute protection where the professional confidential relationship privilege exists. It only gives the court discretion to direct that information not be presented where it would

involve the disclosure of a protected confidence and it is likely that harm would, or might, be caused to the person who disclosed the confidence, and the nature and extent of that harm outweighs the desirability of having the information produced.

#### Case study: Professional confidential relationship privilege

Ben is seeing a social worker about his relationship with John who is controlling and abusive. He also has regular visits to the local health clinic for medical check-ups. The social worker and the medical clinic receive subpoenas from a court requesting access to Ben's files. A claim of professional confidential relationship privilege can be made by both the social worker and the medical clinic on behalf of Ben.

# 15.6 Privilege at law and information sharing

Any privilege at law belongs to the client and the privilege can only be waived by the client. A waiver can be express or implied. A privilege at law may also be waived or lost if there is conduct inconsistent with the maintenance of the privilege. This includes situations where confidentiality is not maintained, through the complete or partial sharing of information received or provided in confidence.

As a privilege may be waived, it is important that service providers understand and identify what information may be subject to a privilege before any decision is made to share information.

If a service provider makes an assessment that it is essential to share the information, then the service provider must discuss with the victim what the privilege means, why the service provider believes it is important to share that information and that sharing the information may mean that the privilege is lost. The victim must give informed consent before the information can be shared.

# 15.7 Information shared without consent

Where a service provider:

- makes an automatic referral,
- shares information where it is unreasonable or impractical to obtain the victim's consent, or
- overrides a victim's refusal to consent,

and shares information that would have been subject to a privilege at law, then the victim should not be considered to have waived their privilege in respect of that information, as they have not consented to that information being shared.

# 16. Access

This chapter outlines procedures in relation to requests to access victim, perpetrator or third party personal or health information held in service provider files or databases.

# 16.1 Victim access

#### Refer to:

A victim can apply to access personal information held by service providers under s.14 of the *PPIP Act*. A victim can apply to access health information held by service providers under HPP 7 of the *HRIP Act*. If the HRIP Act applies to a support agency, a victim may apply to access health information held.

If the HRIP Act applies to a support agency, a victim may apply to access health information held by the support agency under Division 3 of Part 4 of the *HRIP Act*.

Under NSW privacy laws, a victim has the right to apply for access to their personal and health information held by a service provider. Where a service provider is subject to the *PPIP Act* and the *HRIP Act*, it must provide this information to a victim.

Where a service provider is not subject to the *PPIP Act* or the *HRIP Act*, it is strongly encouraged to provide this information to the victim. Only a

manager, when satisfied of the victim's identity, can make the decision to provide this information.

Where a victim seeks to access their information held by a government agency, NSW privacy laws do not require the victim's request to be in writing. In contrast, where a victim seeks to access their information held by a non-government organisation, NSW privacy laws require the victim's request to be in writing, to state their name and address, and to identify the information they wish to access.

To ensure the security of victims' personal and health information and for compliance and management of obligations under NSW privacy laws, it is recommended that applications to any service provider for access to information always be made in writing with appropriate identification and verification processes.

Any release of information must be documented in the victim's file.

## Belief victim being coerced by perpetrator

A service provider may receive a request for information from a victim and the service provider may form the belief that the victim is being coerced by the perpetrator to access the information.

The service provider must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the personal and health information of the perpetrator is not accidentally disclosed with the information of the victim. This involves reviewing the file and thoroughly redacting records to remove any information that relates to the perpetrator or any other person.

To ensure the safety of the victim and to comply with NSW privacy laws, service providers must also refer to their internal procedures on releasing client records before providing any personal and health information to a victim.

# 16.2 Access on behalf of victim

A person can provide consent for someone else to access health information on their behalf. This may include a relative, interpreter, medical practitioner or legal representative. It is important to check the scope of the authority provided, which must be in writing.

In addition, where a person lacks capacity to make a request about their health information, an authorised representative may make a request on the person's healf

Refer to: Section 8 HRIP Act.

The HRIP Act sets out the list of people who can be an authorised representative:

- someone who has an enduring power of attorney for the victim
- a guardian within the meaning of the Guardianship Act 1987, or a person responsible within the meaning of Part 5 of that Act who has been allocated a specific function to provide consent to medical or support services
- any other person who is authorised by law to act for or represent the victim.

Before allowing an authorised representative or other person to access health information on behalf of a victim, the service provider must take reasonable steps to ensure that the authorised representative or other person is not the perpetrator or acting on behalf of the perpetrator.

It is recommended that service providers contact the victim to seek confirmation that they have given consent for another person to obtain information on their behalf.

The service provider must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the personal and health information of the perpetrator is not accidentally disclosed with the victim's information. This involves reviewing the file and thoroughly redacting records to remove any information that relates to the perpetrator.

# 16.3 Perpetrator access

#### Refer to:

Section 98I of Part 13A exempts service providers from providing access to information obtained under Part 13A to a perpetrator, even where the perpetrator makes an application under s.14 of the *PPIP Act*, HPP 7 of the *HRIP Act*, Division 3 of Part 4 of the *HRIP Act*. This is consistent with s.98K of Part 13A.

As a general rule, a victim's personal and health information must never be disclosed to a perpetrator or any other person acting on behalf of the perpetrator, such as the perpetrator's legal representative. Part 13A and the Protocol seek to ensure that the victim's safety is not compromised by individuals' right to access their information under NSW privacy laws. For this reason, Part 13A and the Protocol

override the PPIP Act and the HRIP Act in relation to perpetrators' access to their information.

Service providers are not required to take any steps to make a perpetrator aware that information is held about them, or to provide a perpetrator with access to that information where that information was received under Part 13A and the Protocol.

Where a perpetrator contacts a service provider and requests to access their information, the service provider must inform a line manager, if available, to speak with the perpetrator. The manager is not required to inform the perpetrator that information is held about them.

There may be situations where it is necessary to disclose information where a subpoena is issued; but there are also privileges at law held by the victim. Before disclosing any information in response to a subpoena, service providers should check if a privilege exists. Refer to Chapter 15 Privileges and subpoenas.

# 16.4 Third party access

#### Refer to:

Where an application is received from a third party under s.14 of the *PPIP Act*, HPP 7 of the *HRIP Act*, or Division 3 of Part 4 of the *HRIP Act*, an agency or organisation should only disclose specific information relating to the third party themselves, deleting any references to the victim or any other party.

A third party that may be referred to or named in information held by a service provider has the right to apply for access to that information under NSW privacy laws. Where a service provider is subject to the *PPIP Act* and the *HRIP Act*, it is required to provide this information to the third party.

Where an organisation is not subject to the *PPIP Act* and the *HRIP Act*, it is encouraged to provide the information to a third party. The decision

must be made by a manager, who must be satisfied of the third party's identity and that they are the person to whom the information relates.

Where a third party seeks to access their information held by a government agency, NSW privacy laws do not require the third party's request to be in writing. In contrast, where a third party seeks to access their information held by a non-government organisation, NSW privacy laws require the third party's request to be in writing, to state their name and address, and to identify the information they wish to access.

To ensure the security of the third party health and personal information and for compliance and management of obligations under NSW privacy laws, it is recommended that applications to any service provider for access to information always be made in writing with appropriate identification and verification processes.

When providing this information, the personal or health information of others, including the victim, perpetrator and any other party, must not be disclosed to the third party. Care must be taken to ensure the information of the third party only is disclosed and all other information, particularly information about others, is deleted from the information provided.

Any release of information must be documented in the victim's file.

Where a third party is unsatisfied with a decision not to provide them with access to their health or personal information, the third party may seek a review of the decision. Refer to Chapter 19 Complaints.

#### 16.5 Public access under GIPA

#### Refer to:

The Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 replaced the Freedom of Information Act 1989.

The Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (GIPA Act) governs public access to government information in NSW. The objective of the GIPA Act is to make government information more accessible to the public by requiring government

agencies to make certain information freely available.

The GIPA Act places a legislative onus in favour of the release of government information through consideration of the public's best interest. The GIPA Act should not affect how information is shared under Part 13A and the Protocol, as it is in the public interest to protect victims of domestic violence.

A government agency that has received a request for release of information under the GIPA Act must apply the public interest test to determine whether there is an overriding public interest against disclosure of information.

# Applying the public interest test

The public interest test involves 3 steps:

- 1. Identify the relevant public interest considerations in favour of disclosure,
- 2. Identify the relevant public interest against disclosure, and
- 3. Assess whether the public interest against disclosure outweighs the public interest in favour of disclosure.

# Public interest against releasing information

There are only limited and specific interests against disclosure that a service provider can take into account. These are:

- law enforcement and security
- individual rights, judicial processes and natural justice
- responsible and effective government
- business interests of agencies and other persons
- environment, culture, economy and other matters
- secrecy and exemption provisions in other laws.

Examples of situations in which these interests arise include where disclosure of particular information may:

- prejudice relations with, or the obtaining of confidential information from, another government
- prejudice the effective exercise by an agency of their functions
- found an action against an agency for breach of confidence or otherwise result in the disclosure of information provided to it in confidence
- prejudice the prevention, detection or investigation of a contravention or possible contravention of the law, or prejudice the enforcement of the law
- endanger, or prejudice any system or procedure for protecting, the life, health or safety of any person
- reveal an individual's personal information
- contravene an information protection principle under the PPIP Act or a Health Privacy Principle under the HRIP Act
- expose a person to a risk of harm or of serious harassment or serious intimidation
- in the case of the disclosure of personal information about a child, the disclosure of information that it would not be in the best interests of the child to have disclosed.

# 16.6 Granting access

When the service provider is satisfied that the person making the application for access is the person to whom the information relates, and they have consulted their internal procedures on releasing client records, they can provide access in a number of different ways. This may include:

- providing the person with a copy of the information
- providing a reasonable opportunity for the person to inspect the information, take notes on its contents and talk through the contents with an appropriate staff member, if required

- allowing the person to listen to or view the contents of an audio or visual recording
- giving the person a printout of the information if it is stored electronically, or giving them an electronic copy of the information.

When granting access in person for the information, service providers must ensure only the person to whom the information relates is given access.

For non-government organisations, if a person requests access in a particular form, then this request should generally be approved. A request should only be refused if it would:

- place unreasonable demands on organisational resources
- be detrimental to the preservation of the information.

In these cases, the information requested should be provided in another convenient form.

It is the responsibility of service providers to allocate persons within their agency with appropriate delegation to supervise how access is provided. This person must be adequately informed about their privacy and other obligations under the Protocol.

# 17. Amendment

This chapter outlines procedures in relation to requests to amend victim or perpetrator personal or health information held in service provider files or databases.

# 17.1 Victim request

A victim should be provided with details of the service provider that will receive their information before their information is shared. If the victim is aware that inaccurate information has been shared, the victim may at any time contact either the referring or the receiving service provider to correct that information. Alternatively, the victim may amend the information when the service provider contacts them or at any time during their interaction with a service provider.

Where a victim seeks to amend their personal or health information held by a government agency, NSW privacy laws do not require the victim's request to be in writing. In contrast, where a victim seeks to amend their health information held by a non-government organisation, NSW privacy laws require the victim's request to be in writing, to state their name and address, and to identify the information they wish to amend.

To ensure the security of the victim's personal and health information and for compliance and management of obligations under NSW privacy laws, it is recommended that requests to amend information always be in writing with appropriate identification and verification processes.

Where a victim notifies a service provider that they wish to amend their information, the service provider must keep a written record of the victim's request.

Amendments must be made by way of additional notes, but the incorrect information must be retained on file so that a trail of the information history can be kept. The service provider should also contact any other service provider it has shared that information with to advise of the amendments.

# 17.2 Refusing victim request

A service provider may refuse to amend a victim's information if it is satisfied that:

- the information is complete, correct, relevant, current and accurate
- the request to amend information contains information that is incorrect or misleading.

Where a service provider refuses to amend the victim's information as requested, it should:

- provide the victim with a written reason for the refusal, and
- keep a written record of the victim's request to amend information on file together with the written reason for the refusal.

Where a victim is unsatisfied with the service provider's response not to amend the information, they may seek a review of the decision. Refer to Chapter 19 Complaints.

# 17.3 Request on behalf of the victim

A victim may consent for someone else to seek amendment of their health information on their behalf. This includes a relative, interpreter, medical practitioner or legal representative. It is important to check the scope of the authority provided, which must be in writing.

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In addition, where a victim lacks capacity to make a request to amend their health information, an authorised representative may make a request on the victim's behalf.

Refer to: Section 8 HRIP Act.

The HRIP Act sets out the list of people who can be an authorised representative:

- someone who has an enduring power of attorney for the victim,
- a guardian within the meaning of the Guardianship Act 1987, or a person responsible within the meaning of Part 5 of that Act who has been allocated a specific function to provide consent to medical or support services, or
- any other person who is authorised by law to act for or represent the victim.

It is recommended that service providers contact the victim to seek confirmation that they have given consent for another person to amend information on their behalf.

Before allowing an authorised representative or other person to amend health information on behalf of a victim, the service provider must take reasonable steps to ensure that the authorised representative or other person is not the perpetrator or acting on behalf of the perpetrator.

# 17.4 Perpetrator request

Under Part 13A and the Protocol, a perpetrator does not have an automatic right to request amendment of their personal or health information that has been obtained under Part 13A.

Where domestic violence proceedings are dismissed, withdrawn or not proven, the service provider should note the outcome against the perpetrator on the victim's file. It is the decision of the service provider whether the perpetrator is given the opportunity to amend any information relating to them in these circumstances.

Where a perpetrator seeks to amend their information held by a government agency, NSW privacy laws do not require the perpetrator's request to be in writing. In contrast, where a perpetrator seeks to amend their health information held by a non-government organisation, NSW privacy laws require the perpetrator's request to be in writing, to state their name and address, and to identify the information they wish to amend.

To ensure the security of the victim's personal and health information, for compliance and management of obligations under NSW privacy laws, it is recommended that applications to any service provider for amendment to information always be in writing with appropriate identification and verification processes.

Where a perpetrator notifies a service provider that they wish to amend their personal or health information, the service provider must keep a written record of the perpetrator's request.

Where the service provider agrees to amend a perpetrator's information, amendments must be made by way of additional notes, and the incorrect information must be retained on file so that a trail of the information history can be kept. The service provider should also contact any other organisation with which it has shared that information to advise of the amendments.

# 17.5 Refusing perpetrator request

Under Part 13A and the Protocol, a perpetrator does not have an automatic right to request amendment of their personal or health information that has been obtained under Part 13A.

Where a service provider refuses to amend a perpetrator's information as requested, it should:

- provide the perpetrator with a written reason for the refusal, and
- keep a written record of the perpetrator's request to amend information on file together with the written reason for the refusal.

# 18. Compliance

Service providers should be committed to upholding people's rights to privacy and confidentiality and comply with information sharing under Part 13A and the Protocol. To promote best practice and to limit intentional or unintentional behaviour that contravenes people's rights and may expose victims to increased threats, the Protocol outlines a compliance-monitoring framework.

This chapter sets out the obligations of service providers regarding compliance with the Protocol to ensure they understand the limits of information sharing and their responsibilities under Part 13A.

Service providers must complete the Compliance Checklist and demonstrate a state of readiness before commencing sharing the victim or perpetrator's information under the Protocol. The Compliance Checklist is located at Appendix 4.

# 18.1 Compliance responsibilities

All service providers that collect, hold or share information under the Protocol are expected to monitor their own compliance with the Protocol and to develop systems to support continuous quality control of their internal information sharing processes.

Service providers are expected to:

- adopt NSW privacy laws about personal and health information about victims and perpetrators of domestic violence
- require any organisations they fund to comply with NSW privacy laws
- implement organisational, administrative and security measures to ensure the lawful collection, use, disclosure and disposal of information shared under the Protocol
- promote staff awareness of the requirements of the Protocol
- independently monitor and evaluate compliance with the Protocol
- implement clear procedures for dealing with complaints under the Protocol
- address any failure by staff to follow the Protocol through internal disciplinary procedures
- agree to participate in the compliance monitoring process and to comply with remedial directions as necessary.

# 18.2 Compliance-monitoring framework

The compliance-monitoring framework consists of:

- self-assessments, using the Compliance Checklist on a regular basis, including before accepting referrals or sharing information under the Protocol, to demonstrate compliance
- desktop reviews using the Compliance Checklists and other evidence as required
- formal audits, which include a more rigorous compliance checks.

Service providers are responsible for implementing the compliance-monitoring framework in their workplace and foster a culture of voluntary compliance and self-monitoring.

NSW government agencies are responsible for monitoring compliance in their own agencies and in any service provider they fund.

The NSW Department of Justice will conduct ad hoc desktop reviews or formal audits of service providers periodically or if triggered by a complaint.

The NSW Privacy Commissioner may also monitor service providers' compliance on an ad hoc basis or if triggered by a complaint.

# 18.3 Compliance Checklist

The Compliance Checklist is a standard performance monitoring tool for service providers to use to assess their compliance with the Protocol. It sets out broad criteria against which a service provider's compliance is measured, such as:

- victim consent; for example, seeking consent, documenting consent or overriding consent
- information provided to victims; for example on consent or threat assessment, access to and amending information, complaint procedures)
- conflict of interest; for example, identifying, managing, documenting
- information management; for example, procedures for collection, storage, sharing and disposal of personal and health information
- staff; for example, induction, training, reporting and management of breaches of information sharing
- management of complaints.

The Compliance Checklist provides a rating of the service provider's compliance with the Protocol to promote best practice, to remedy issues of non-compliance and to ensure future compliance. A service provider can found to be:

- compliant
- partially compliant
- non-compliant.

The Compliance Checklist is located at Appendix 4.

# 18.4 Self-assessments

Self-assessments using the Compliance Checklist aim to build service providers' compliance capacity rather that set penalties for failure to comply with the Protocol.

Before sharing information under the Protocol, service providers must undertake a self-assessment to demonstrate a state of readiness. They are then expected to conduct annual self-assessments to demonstrate ongoing compliance.

The completed Compliance Checklist must be dated and signed by a manager and maintained on a secure compliance file.

# 18.5 State of readiness

To demonstrate a state of readiness to share information under Part 13A and the Protocol, a service provider must:

- complete a self-assessment using the Compliance Checklist,
- meet the threshold of compliance for a state of readiness on the Checklist, and
- provide a copy of their completed Compliance Checklist to their funding body.

The compliance threshold for a state of readiness is set by the NSW Department of Justice and is outlined in the Compliance Checklist located at Appendix 4.

Some service providers may not have adequate technical and administrative measures in place to ensure secure information sharing and information management procedures. These service providers may be required to take additional steps such as:

- reviewing processes to ensure that paper and electronic methods used to collect and share personal or health information are secure
- reviewing processes to identify and manage conflicts of interest
- implementing security measures to protect personal and health information, with different levels of security depending on the sensitivity of the information; refer to Chapter 14 Information management
- training staff or issuing circulars to ensure staff are aware of their obligations under the Protocol.

## 18.6 Cannot demonstrate a state of readiness

If a service provider cannot meet the threshold for a state of readiness, it should highlight relevant barriers or issues with its funding body if applicable. The funding body may provide assistance as part of its performance management and support.

Until such time as a service provider has demonstrated a state of readiness, it must not receive information under the Protocol. Instead, the service provider may receive information under NSW privacy laws or, if there are concerns for the safety, welfare or wellbeing of children, and the service provider is a prescribed body, under Chapter 16A of the CYPCP Act.

# 18.7 Desktop reviews

A desktop review is a mechanism to encourage agencies to monitor their compliance with the Protocol, and the compliance of any service providers they fund. Desktop reviews provide an opportunity for agencies to provide corrective feedback and to identify and overcome any systemic barriers in information sharing processes. Desktop reviews must be undertaken on an ad hoc basis.

The Compliance Checklist forms part of a desktop review. Services providers must submit completed, dated and signed checklists to their funding body (if applicable) when requested and must also submit the Compliance Checklist to the funding body when a self-assessment rating falls below full compliance.

The funding body must review the completed checklist and any other evidence as required during desktop reviews. Findings from the desktop reviews, in particular systemic issues, will contribute to strengthening or amending sections of the Protocol to ensure they serve their intended purpose.

# 18.8 Formal audits

Formal audits involve a more rigorous enquiry to ensure compliance with the Protocol. They are conducted by the funding bodies:

- annually, on a selection of their funded service providers
- on an ad hoc basis, when triggered by a complaint, advice or notification
- where there are significant changes in a service provider's structure or business operations.

The NSW Department of Justice also conducts formal audits on an ad hoc basis, on:

- a selection of service providers that are not funded by a NSW government agency
- any service provider, government or non-government, to ensure general compliance with Part 13A and the Protocol.

The funding body may conduct a formal audit with a service provider even where its self-assessments indicate full compliance.

If a formal audit is initiated, the funding body must provide the service provider:

- written advice at least 10 working days prior to commencing the audit
- the terms of reference for the audit if its scope is wider than that of the Compliance Checklist
- any instructions about the service provider's obligations during the audit.

The funding body must provide a copy of any report arising from the audit to the service provider and give the service provider an opportunity to respond.

# 18.9 Partial or non-compliance and breach

Non-compliance is where there is evidence that a service provider is not complying with the Protocol or where a service provider does not have sufficient processes in place to ensure compliance with the Protocol.

Partial compliance is where a service provider has most, but not all, of the necessary processes in place to ensure compliance with the Protocol.

A service provider may be identified as partially compliant or non-compliant during the conduct of monitoring activities, including a self-assessment, desktop review or formal audit, or because of a complaint.

An information sharing breach is where a service provider undertakes activities that, either knowingly or through negligence, contravene the provisions of the Protocol.

Where a service provider becomes aware of a breach or partial or non-compliance with Part 13A or the Protocol, it must notify its funding body (where applicable) and the NSW Department of Justice immediately.

The funding body and/or the NSW Department of Justice may undertake any of the following actions:

- request previously completed self-assessment reports from the service provider
- conduct a desktop review of the documentation and, if required, request the service provider to complete a new self-assessment
- conduct a formal audit including, if required, an on-site review that may involve a review of the service provider's records and policies

- advise the service provider that information sharing under the Protocol must cease until further notice
- advise the victim if required
- notify the NSW Privacy Commissioner
- keep the NSW Privacy Commissioner informed of the progress of the internal review
- consider any relevant material submitted by the applicant or by the NSW Privacy Commissioner
- meet with the service provider to discuss the issue
- prepare a compliance review report
- develop an agreed compliance improvement plan with the service provider
- monitor the compliance improvement plan until full compliance is achieved
- recommend suspension of funding or defunding of the service provider.

The actions undertaken by the funding body and/or the NSW Department of Justice will be determined by the level of the breach, or the partial or non-compliance.

Where a breach has occurred, the investigation should consider whether the breach is due to systemic concerns, such as unclear internal procedures that suggest a need for further staff training or a review of policies and procedures.

If there are clear internal processes in place, the investigation should consider whether the breach is due to staff behaviour, in which case the matter must be dealt with through internal disciplinary procedures.

# 18.10 Informing a person of a breach

The decision to inform a person of a breach of their privacy through the unauthorised or negligent sharing of their personal and/or health information will depend on the nature and level of the breach.

Not all breaches will result in the same level of threat or infringement of a person's privacy. For example, in relation to a victim, a breach about information storage may not create the same level of threat as sharing personal and health information without their consent in a manner inconsistent with the Protocol.

A service provider who identifies a breach that could increase the level of threat to the victim must inform the victim as soon practicable and take any steps necessary to reduce the level of threat.

# 18.11 Information subject to a breach

Until a complete assessment of the extent of a breach is completed, service providers must take necessary precautions in relation to information that is the subject of a breach, particularly to ensure there is no added threat to the safety of the victim or other persons.

The service provider must immediately take steps to remedy the causes of the breach and, in some cases, limits may be placed on any further sharing of that information under Part 13A and the Protocol until the matter is resolved.

Where the funding body or the NSW Department of Justice has placed limits or stopped information sharing under Part 13A and the Protocol, the service provider must not share information under Part 13A and the Protocol until further notice.

# 18.12 Compliance record keeping

Service providers must maintain accurate and up-to-date records of compliance activities. Record keeping includes securely storing:

- completed Compliance Checklists
- completed desktop reviews
- completed formal audits
- any records about partial or non-compliance, complaints or breaches, and any steps taken to resolve them
- any notifications to funding bodies or the NSW Privacy Commissioner.

Records must be stored and managed as per the information management provisions under the Protocol. Refer to Chapter 14 Information management.

Additionally, service providers should comply with their internal information management policy requirements.

# 19. Complaints

This chapter outlines processes to deal with complaints that may arise from information sharing under the Protocol. Complaint procedures have different requirements depending on whether a service provider is a government agency or a non-government organisation, and whether they are bound by NSW or other privacy laws. The following sections outline these procedures.

In the first instance, the person should be encouraged to make the complaint directly to the service provider concerned. Service providers must have procedures to deal with a complaint and make these available to the person.

# 19.1 NSW government agency

Where an agency receives a complaint about a breach of privacy, it must conduct an internal review to examine whether Part 13A or the Protocol have been breached and consider the *PPIP Act* or the *HRIP Act*, as applicable. The agency must assess whether or not it has complied with privacy obligations and inform the person who made the complaint of its findings and what it will do as a result.

If the internal review is not completed within 60 days or the person is unhappy with the conduct or result of the internal review, they can ask the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal to review the conduct or the decision.

The NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal reviews conduct by a government agency where there is an allegation that a government agency has not complied with privacy principles under the *PPIP Act* or the *HRIP Act*.

For any review of the conduct or decision by the government agency or NSW Privacy Commissioner, the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal can make legally binding orders, including ordering an agency to correct its conduct or pay compensation.

Alternatively, the person can make a complaint directly to the NSW Privacy Commissioner. The NSW Privacy Commissioner will consider whether they have jurisdiction to investigate the complaint. Where the NSW Privacy Commissioner determines they have jurisdiction to investigate, the Commissioner may attempt to resolve the complaint by conciliation and make a written report containing findings and/or recommendations. The Commissioner cannot make binding orders or pay compensation, and there is no right of review of the Commissioner's conduct or decision.

#### Internal review

An internal review is an internal investigation conducted by a government agency into a complaint. The agency must assess compliance with privacy obligations and in doing so, take into account Part 13A and the Protocol.

When a government agency conducts an internal review, it is required by law to:

- notify the NSW Privacy Commissioner that they have received an application for an internal review
- keep the NSW Privacy Commissioner informed of the progress of the internal review
- consider any relevant material submitted by the applicant or by the NSW Privacy Commissioner

- complete the internal review as soon as possible and no later than 60 days from receipt of the complaint
- once the review is finished, notify the applicant and the NSW Privacy Commissioner of the findings of the review (and the reasons for those findings), and the action proposed to be taken
- notify the applicant of their right to have those findings, and the agency's proposed action, reviewed by the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal.

Following an internal review, the agency may:

- take no further action
- apologise to the person
- take remedial action including paying compensation
- undertake that the conduct will not occur again
- take action to ensure that the conduct does not occur again.

# 19.2 Non-government service providers that comply with NSW privacy laws

Where a non-government service provider receives a complaint about a breach of privacy, it must assess whether or not it has complied with privacy obligations, and tell the person who made the complaint of its findings and what it will do as a result.

If the handling of the complaint is not completed within a reasonable time or the person is unhappy with the conduct or result of the process, and the non-government service provider is funded by a NSW government agency, the person can ask the funding agency to undertake a review of the complaint. If the funding agency does not undertake a review of the complaint, the person can ask the NSW Department of Justice to undertake a review.

Alternatively, the person can make a complaint directly to the NSW Privacy Commissioner. The NSW Privacy Commissioner will consider whether they have jurisdiction to investigate the complaint. If the NSW Privacy Commissioner determines they have jurisdiction to investigate, the Commissioner may attempt to resolve the complaint by conciliation and make a written report containing findings and/or recommendations. The Commissioner cannot make binding orders or pay compensation, and there is no right of review of the Commissioner's conduct or decision.

# 19.3 Non-government service providers that comply with Commonwealth privacy laws

Non-government service providers that are subject to Commonwealth privacy laws must continue to meet their obligations under those privacy laws when sharing information, as Part 13A and the Protocol do not create exceptions to Commonwealth privacy laws.

Any complaint to a service provider about a breach of privacy must be made under Commonwealth laws. The service provider must assess whether or not it has complied with its privacy obligations under Commonwealth privacy laws and tell the person who made the complaint of its findings and what it will do as a result.

If the handling of the complaint is not completed within reasonable time or the person is unhappy with the conduct or result of the process, the person can make a complaint to the Office of the Australian

Information Commissioner (OAIC). The OAIC is a federal independent body that deals complaints about non-government organisations subject to Commonwealth privacy laws or acting under a contract to comply with Commonwealth privacy laws.

If the person is not satisfied with a decision the OAIC has made, they can ask the OAIC to review the decision. An officer not previously involved with the complaint will generally investigate this request.

An application can also be made for a review of the decision or the determination by the Federal Court of Australia or the Federal Magistrates Court. This application can be made under the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Act 1977*, if the person believes:

- a decision by the OAIC not to investigate, or not to further investigate, the complaint under the Privacy Act 1988 is not legally correct, or
- a determination by the Australian Information Commissioner following the investigation of the complaint is not legally correct.

# 19.4 Non-government service providers that do not comply with privacy laws

Service providers must not exchange information under Part 13A and the Protocol with service providers that do not comply with privacy laws that impose substantially similar privacy obligations as NSW privacy laws.

Where a person wishes to make a complaint about a non-government support service that is under no obligation to comply with any privacy laws, they should make a complaint directly to that organisation.

In addition, the person may inform the NSW Department of Justice to undertake a separate review of the complaint. The NSW Department of Justice will undertake a review and tell the person who made the complaint of its findings.

#### Refer to:

For information on making a complaint to the NSW Privacy Commissioner, see the *Information* and *Privacy Commission's Protocol* for handling privacy complaints at http://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/privacy/ipc\_index.html and the *PPIP Act* Part 5.

Alternatively, the person can make a complaint directly to the NSW Privacy Commissioner. The NSW Privacy Commissioner will consider whether they have jurisdiction to investigate the complaint. If the NSW Privacy Commissioner determines they have jurisdiction to investigate, then the Commissioner may attempt to resolve the complaint by conciliation

and make a written report containing findings or recommendations. The Commissioner cannot make binding orders or pay compensation, and there is no right of review of the Commissioner's conduct or decision.

# 19.5 Complaint under Charter of Victims Rights

#### Refer to:

Charter Right 8 - Protection of identity of victim.

If a person, including the perpetrator, wishes to make a complaint about the sharing of their personal and health information by a NSW government agency

under the Protocol, they can also make a complaint under the Charter of Victims Rights.

The person should first make the complaint directly to the NSW government agency concerned. If the person is not satisfied or is concerned about making a complaint to the NSW government agency, they can contact Victims Services at the NSW Department of Justice. Victims Services will assist the person with the complaint.

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# 19.6 Disclosure of information to investigate complaints

In the case of a complaint made under the Protocol, it may be necessary to disclose personal or health information of the complainant to investigate or report on the conduct that lead to the complaint. Such information may be shared with the service provider's funding body, the NSW Privacy Commissioner, the NSW Department of Justice or an appeal tribunal. These agencies are subject to NSW privacy laws when handling that confidential information, and only information that is reasonably necessary to properly investigate or report on the conduct should be provided.

# 19.7 Complaints Register

The NSW Department of Justice maintains a confidential register of all complaints made about information sharing under Part 13A and/or the Protocol. The information will be analysed to identify any systemic issues and resolve any problems, and may be used for monitoring and reporting purposes. For this reason, service providers are required to provide a summary of all complaints received in relation to information sharing under the Protocol. The information must include:

- date of the complaint
- de-identified information about the complainant (for example, gender, post code, victim or perpetrator)
- the nature of the complaint and specific details
- what action was taken to resolve the complaint
- what action has been taken by the service provider to ensure the conduct does not happen again
- details of any ongoing monitoring arrangements
- the time taken to resolve the complaint.

The information must be provided to the NSW Department of Justice within one month of the resolution of the complaint.

# 20. Review of the Protocol

The Department of Justice will review this Protocol following evaluation of *Safer Pathway* and at regular intervals thereafter.

Service providers may provide feedback at any time about the Protocol by writing to the NSW Department of Justice. The Department will consider the feedback as part of the ongoing review process and the formal evaluation.

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# **Appendices**

The appendices include practical guides, decision flowcharts and templates to assist service providers share information in accordance with Part 13A and the Protocol.

The appendices consist of:

#### Safer Pathway service delivery map

Brings together the key elements of It Stops Here: Safer Pathway (Safer Pathway) and illustrates how victims are supported in a seamless service system response.

#### Information sharing process flowchart

Outlines how and when service providers can share information.

#### Information sharing consent flowchart

Outlines when service providers must seek victims' consent to share information.

#### Information sharing compliance checklist

A performance monitoring tool to assist service providers assess their state of readiness to share information under Part 13A and to comply with the Protocol.

#### Information sharing consent form

A template for service providers to use when seeking victims' consent to share information under the Protocol. Service providers may use this form, adapt it to their circumstances or use their own internal consent form.

#### Your information and your safety fact sheet

Service providers are encouraged to give victims a copy of this fact sheet that explains the key elements of information sharing under the Protocol.

# Memorandum of understanding template

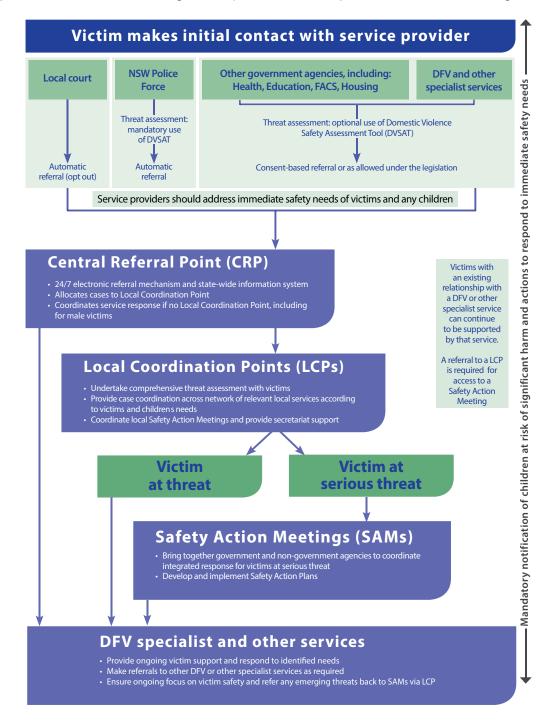
For service providers to adopt where they agree to share information under Part 13A and the Protocol.

<sup>1</sup> NSW Police Force and NSW Local Courts refer to the Consent Flow Chart.

# Appendix 1

#### Safer Pathway service delivery map

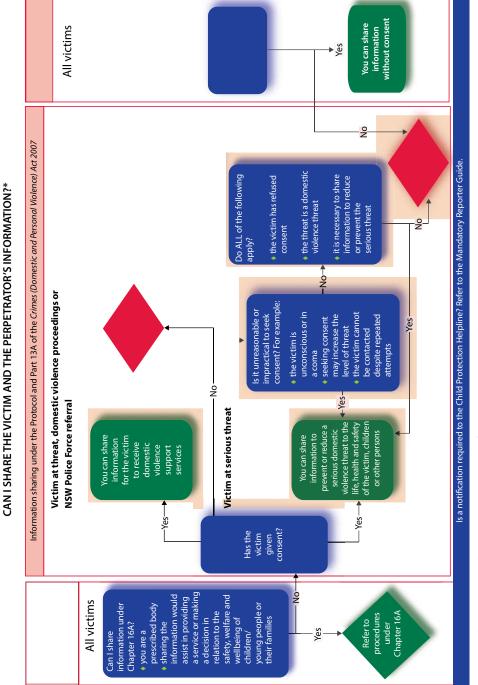
Part 13A of the Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007 and Information Sharing Protocol Chapter 16A of the Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998 and other relevant legislation



# Appendix 2

#### Information sharing process flowchart

Part 13A of the Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007 and related Protocol Chapter 16A of the Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998 and other relevant legislation

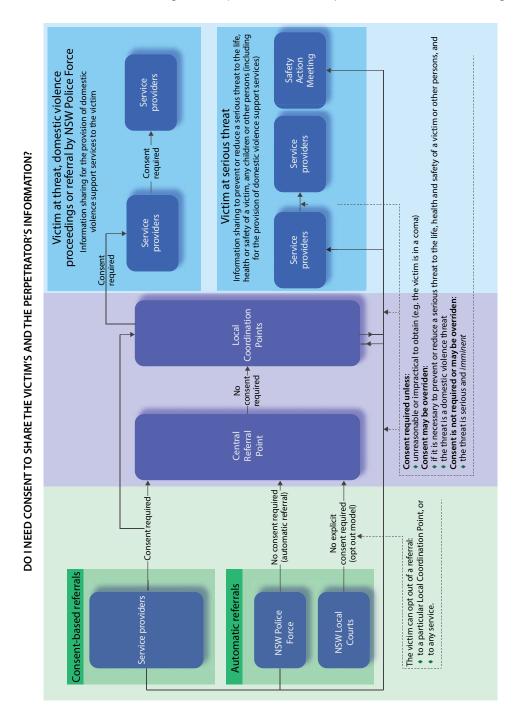


NSW Police Force and NSW Local Courts refer to the Consent Flowchart at Appendix 3

# Appendix 3

#### Information sharing consent flowchart

Part 13A of the *Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007* and related Protocol Chapter 16A of the *Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998* and other relevant legislation



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# Appendix 4

#### Information sharing compliance checklist

If you or your organisation wish to share information under Part 13A of the *Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007* (Part 13A), you must comply with the Domestic Violence Information Sharing Protocol (Protocol). Compliance with the Protocol must be determined using this Compliance Checklist. The checklist should be read in conjunction with chapter 18 Compliance located in the Protocol.

Service providers must use the checklist to:

- Assess their state of readiness to share information under the Protocol
- Conduct annual compliance self-assessments
- Report on compliance to their funding body if applicable, and
- · Report on any remedial action.

Funding bodies must use the checklist to:

- Assess and monitor a service provider's state of readiness to share information under the Protocol
- Monitor a service provider's ongoing compliance with the Protocol
- · Determine and monitor any remedial actions necessary to ensure future compliance with the Protocol, and
- · Conduct formal audits.

#### Instructions

State of readiness to share information under the Protocol:

You must be compliant or partially compliant in each section in Part A, and if partially compliant, set out
the steps and time frames for full compliance. Where the section is not relevant at the time of completion
of the checklist, select N/A and provide a brief explanation.

Self-assessment by service providers:

- Rate your level of compliance against each of the sections in Part A (compliant, partially compliant or non-compliant), and
- Provide any relevant additional information in Part B.

#### If compliant

- Submit for review and endorsement by senior staff
- Maintain on a compliance
- Submit copy to the funding body as requested

#### If partially compliant or non-compliant

- Describe how you or your organisation are not fully compliant
- Explain the reason(s) why you are not fully compliant (if you are subject to a compliance improvement plan, indicate any progress since the last completion of the checklist)
- Describe remedial action(s) that will be taken to prevent future non-compliance
- Submit for review and endorsement by senior staff
- Maintain on a compliance file
- Submit copy to the funding body
- Submit copy to the NSW Department of Justice as required
- Participate in the development of a compliance improvement plan and any other actions as required under the Protocol

Desktop review by funding body:

- Review self-assessment ratings and any explanation/remedial action listed in Part A
- Seek further information/clarification if required
- If the checklist indicates partially compliant or non-compliant, provide guidance and corrective feedback or develop a compliance improvement plan with the service provider
- Monitor the compliance improvement plan until full compliance is achieved
- Undertake any other actions as required under the Protocol
- Complete Part C, and
- Provide any feedback from Part B to the Department of Justice (cpd\_unit@adg.nsw.gov.au) as required.

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# Signature Submitted to monitoring body (date, details) Checklist completed by (name, position) Assessment date (start, finish) Endorsed by (name, position) Name of service provider Address/contact details

# Part A - Organisation Compliance

Legend: C: Compliant; PC: Partially compliant; NC: Non-compliant

Requirements	Evidence	Rating	Explanation/remedial action required
Organisational practice	The service provider can demonstrate that:  • organisational policies and procedures comply with the Protocol  • quality assurance processes include a review of internal information sharing policies and procedures  • staff training manuals incorporate information sharing procedures under the Protocol	o 2 2	
Policies, procedures and processes	The service provider can demonstrate policies and procedures that set out:  • how to identify and manage a conflict of interest  • when and how client consent to share information must be sought  • decision pathways for approval of information sharing without consent or overriding a refusal of consent  • client complaint handling procedures  • management of breaches and non-compliance of information sharing under the Protocol		

Compliance checklist

Requirements	Evidence	Rating	Explanation	Explanation/remedial action required
Staff	The service provider can demonstrate that:  a all relevant staff have received including and/or training on the Drotocol		0	
	senior staff with responsibility for supporting and approving information		PC O	
	sharing decisions are identified and have received appropriate training   information is available to direct staff to the Protocol		O <sub>N</sub>	
Record management	The service provider can demonstrate safe and secure methods for:  • collection, use and sharing of personal and health information		O	
	<ul> <li>recording the collection, use and sharing of personal and health information</li> </ul>		PC	
	<ul> <li>storage and disposal of personal and health information</li> </ul>		NC	
Monitoring and	The service provider can demonstrate:		0	
compliance	<ul> <li>completion of annual self-assessments</li> </ul>	]		
	<ul> <li>processes to monitor/review information flows</li> </ul>		PC	
	<ul> <li>timely completion of any compliance improvement plan</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>systems to monitor access to electronic client information database</li> </ul>		NC	
Complaints	The service provider can demonstrate in relation to any complaint:		O	
	<ul> <li>timeliness in dealing with the complaint</li> </ul>	[		
	<ul> <li>documentation of the complaint and the resolution</li> </ul>		PC	
	<ul> <li>evidence of notification of the complaint to the funding body</li> </ul>		O <sub>N</sub>	
			NA N	
Breaches and non-compliance	The service provider can demonstrate in relation to any breach or non-compliance:			
	that the non-compliance and/or breach of the Protocol and/or the Act     was identified rapidly and appropriate actions taken as specified in the		0	
	Protocol		PC	
	<ul> <li>remedial action was commenced immediately to meet full compliance</li> </ul>		OZ.	
	<ul> <li>appropriate action was taken to reduce any threat to the victim or any other persons</li> </ul>		- ××	
	<ul> <li>victims are informed of the breach or non-compliance as required by the Protocol</li> </ul>			

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# Compliance checklist, cont.

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	<ul> <li>victims are informed of the breach or non-compliance as required by the Protocol</li> </ul>	N/A	4
ictim's rights	There is evidence that:		
	<ul> <li>victims are informed of their right to give or refuse consent to share their information</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>victims are informed of their right to access their information and amend any inaccuracies</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>victims are informed of their right to make a complaint and how to do so if they believe their information has been inappropriately disclosed</li> </ul>	<ul><li>≥</li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li><li></li></ul>	
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ictim consent	There is evidence of:		
	<ul> <li>documenting consent (when and how it is sought)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>decisions to share information without consent</li> </ul>	[	
	<ul> <li>safe and secure disposal of information if a referral is refused or consent is refused</li> </ul>		
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Part B - General feedback

List any comments about the compliance checklist or about any aspects of the Protocol that may help improve the compliance monitoring process.

Part C – Desktop review
To be completed by the funding body

Name of funding body	Region	
Name of person completing the review	Contact details	
	Examples:	Due date
	Request prior/new self-assessment compliance checklist(s)	st(s)
	Develop compliance improvement plan with service provider	vider
	Review compliance improvement plan	
Actions required	Finalise compliance improvement plan	
	Advise service provider to cease sharing information under the Protocol	der the Protocol
	□ Notify the NSW Department of Justice	
	□ Notify the NSW Privacy Commissioner	
	Other (list)	
Endorsement (name, position, signature, date)		

# Appendix 5

# Information sharing consent form

Part 13A of the Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007\*

#### Why is it important to share information?

Sharing information in cases of domestic and family violence is important so that we can help you stay safe and connect you to the support services that can help you.

# Why am I being asked to complete this consent form?

Because we have concerns for your safety and wellbeing, we would like to refer you to domestic violence support services that can address your needs. These services may help you with safety planning, emergency accommodation, counselling, court support and other services.

If you are at serious threat of domestic violence, we may also need to share your information with other services to prevent or reduce a serious threat to your life, health or safety.

By signing this form you give us permission to share your information. Your information will be kept confidential and will only be shared with services who will make sure it is kept securely. It will never be shared with the person who hurt you.

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	(address)
consent to the collection, use and sharing of my pe domestic violence support services (please see oth	ersonal or health information with other services to receive er side of this form).
I understand that if there are serious threats to my li cases information may be shared without my conse	fe, health or safety of my family or other persons, in some ent to protect me, my family or others.
Signature	Date
Staff name	Service provider
Signature	Date
Note to staff: Where verbal consent was obtained	record the circumstances of the verbal consent below:

<sup>\*</sup> The service provider is subject to Part 13A of the *Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007* and the Information Sharing Protocol.

# Information sharing consent form

Part 13A of the Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007

If there are threats to your life, health or safety we can refer you to support services that can help you. The support worker will talk to you about your safety needs and referrals that can be made to help you.

Note to staff: With the client, identify safety needs and list in the table below and complete as indicated.

My needs	Name of agencies or services	Information shared
Signature		Date
Staff name	Service provider	
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# YOUR INFORMATION AND YOUR SAFETY

Your safety is very important to us.

We want to help you secure your ongoing safety from domestic violence.

## Working out your safety needs

To know how we can help you we need to work out the level of threat to your safety.

We do this by asking some questions about what has happened in the past and your current circumstances. We will also ask you about your fears and concerns. Your answers will give us a clearer picture of your situation and needs. This is called a threat assessment.

A threat assessment can be done by a support worker, your doctor, someone from Health, Housing or Education, a police officer or another professional person.

#### Referring you to support services

After working out the level of threat to your safety, one way for us to help you is to make a referral to a support service.

A referral includes information about you, for example: your name, phone number, what has happened, information about any court notices or protection orders, and a copy of any threat assessment. The referral includes information about the person who hurt you, so that the service understands your situation and needs.

A referral is automatic when police officers attend a domestic violence incident or where there are domestic violence proceedings in court.

# Keeping your information secure

Your information is strictly confidential and will only be shared with a support service that is bound by law to keep it secure.

Your information will never be shared with the person who hurt you.

## A safe method of contacting you

If we make a referral to a support service, we want to make sure that the service contacts you in a way that does not make you unsafe at home.

For this reason, we will ask you for a safe method and time to contact you.

The support service will follow your instructions when contacting you.

#### Support services for you and your family

After the referral is made, a support service will contact you and offer you help with different issues you may face.

Support may include:

- safety planning
- emergency accommodation
- counselling
- · access to financial assistance
- · court support, or
- other services you may need to increase your safety.

#### Working with you

Important decisions about your safety should be made by you and in most cases we will seek your consent before making a referral to a support service.

Where an automatic referral is made by the police or the court, your consent will be sought straight afterwards, when the support service contacts you.

You can also choose to opt out of a referral made by the court when the court officer talks to you.

# Keeping you safe

Generally, we will seek your consent to share your information. But if you are at serious threat of further violence there may be times when we need to share information without your consent. Services will only do this to take actions to protect your life, health or safety or that of other persons.

If this happens, we will let you know, where possible before or as soon as possible after. We will also tell you why we shared the information and who it was shared with.

## Making sure your information is correct

If you think that some of the information held about you by a service is incorrect, you can ask to look at your file and ask that the information is corrected. You should talk to your support worker about this.

#### Making a complaint

If you believe that your information has been shared inappropriately you should speak to your support worker or the manager of the support service and ask how you can make a complaint.

You can also contact:

- Information and Privacy Commission NSW on 1800 472 679
- Victims Access Line on 1800 633 063
- Aboriginal Contact Line on 1800 019 123.

#### More information

You can find out more information about:

- · what information can be shared
- how your information can be used
- how your information will be stored and protected
- · how you can correct your information it if it is wrong
- how you can make a complaint about a possible breache of your privacy.

An information sharing protocol is located at:

www.domesticviolence.nsw.gov.au

# Appendix 7

# Memorandum of Understanding

## **BETWEEN**

Agency 1
Agency 2
Agency 3
Agency 4

(Purpose for sharing information under Part 13A of the Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007 and the Information Sharing Protocol)

# 1. Project name: Safer Pathway

The introduction of It Stops Here: Safer Pathway (Safer Pathway) reflects a shared commitment to improving the response to domestic and family violence through collaborative, integrated service provision and improved information sharing.

To support Safer Pathway, legislative amendments were made that create exceptions to NSW privacy laws and allow service providers to share information about victims, perpetrators and other persons in defined circumstances. At the heart of improved information sharing is the assumption that no single agency or individual can see the complete picture of the life of a victim, but all may have information or insights that are crucial to their safety.

The legislative amendments are contained in Part 13A of the *Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act* 2007 (Part 13A) and enable service providers to be more effective in responding to victims of domestic violence, while ensuring the safety of victims and upholding individuals' rights to privacy.

# The Domestic Violence Information Sharing Protocol

The commitment to improving the response to domestic and family violence requires service providers to have a shared understanding of the standards and processes relating to information sharing under Part 13A. The Domestic Violence Information Sharing Protocol (Protocol) explains information sharing under Part 13A. It sets out the procedures for service providers to share information, including consent and referral practices, and outlines their information management obligations. It also outlines procedures for access and amendment of information, the management of complaints, and the compliance framework.

The Protocol is made by an order of the Minister for Justice under section 980 of Part 13A. Service providers must adopt the provisions and standards set out in the Protocol to share information under Part 13A and the Protocol. Importantly, in the interests of victim safety, information sharing needs to be supported by processes and applications that promote strong information management principles and secure storage and transfer of personal and health information.

# Purpose of this MOU

This MOU provides a formal structure for a shared understanding of the importance of clear information sharing procedures and enables parties to exchange information under the Protocol to the full extent permitted by Part 13A. The formal MOU process enables more effective collaboration and information sharing between parties to facilitate victims' access to support services and to reduce or prevent domestic violence related death, disability or injury, while protecting the rights of victims and other persons.

# 3. Objectives of the MOU

The objectives of the MOU are to:

- Facilitate information sharing between the parties in compliance with Part 13A and the Protocol
- Establish cooperative working relationships between the parties in order to facilitate information sharing
- Provide opportunities for parties to develop information sharing best practice standards
- Improve victims' confidence in the information sharing process.

#### Status of this document

The MOU is an expression of the purpose and intention of the parties, which is binding in honour only. This MOU does not give effect to any legal relationship or obligations other than those already in existence under any written law. It is not intended to give rise to any consequences or be the subject of litigation, nor is it intended to subjugate the rights, duties or responsibilities of the parties arising from the provision of information about their clients.

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# 5. Shared principles

Parties to the MOU agree to adopt and maintain information sharing standards in accordance with Part 13A and the Protocol and to:

- (i) commit to protect the privacy and confidentiality of the information obtained in the provision of their respective services
- (ii) commit to the safety of victims of domestic violence and privacy principles to safeguard individuals' personal and health information
- (iii) take reasonable steps to assist one another to achieve the objectives of this MOU

# Legislation

Parties agree to abide by privacy and information sharing standards in accordance with legislative instruments including the:

- Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998
- Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002
- Crimes (Domestic and Personal Violence) Act 2007

# 7. Roles and responsibilities of parties

Agencies are partners in this MOU because of their key role in the delivery of services to victims and perpetrators of domestic violence. In agreeing to be a partner in the MOU, agencies are responsible for promoting, monitoring and implementing the standards of the Protocol.

Parties agree to share and exchange information according to the Protocol and any additional principles and procedures specified in this MOU, and applicable laws and to:

- (i) act within the limits of relevant legislation
- (ii) adhere to information sharing and management principles contained in the Protocol
- (iii) adhere to the compliance monitoring framework
- (iv) verify that their information management policies and processes are consistent with the Protocol
- (v) monitor their compliance with the Protocol according to the compliance framework

## 8. MOU review

The MOU comprises of this document and any other document specifically referred to and includes the Domestic Violence Information Sharing Protocol.

The MOU may be amended at any time with the agreement of all parties and will be included on a register of MOUs to be kept by each of the parties.

#### 9. Conflict of interest

Parties will work together to resolve issues as they arise and refer to the Information Sharing Protocol as the final authority on sharing information under Part 13A. Where parties are unable to resolve disagreements arising over any matter related to the issues covered by the MOU, or arising from implementation of the Protocol compliance framework, then the matter will be referred to the Department of Justice whose determination of the issue will be accepted by the parties.

# 10. Termination

This MOU may be terminated by any party without cause by giving the other parties at least 30 days written notice at any time, and the MOU shall terminate on the expiry date of that termination notice.

# PRIVATE ADVERTISEMENTS

# **COUNCIL NOTICES**

#### ALBURY CITY COUNCIL

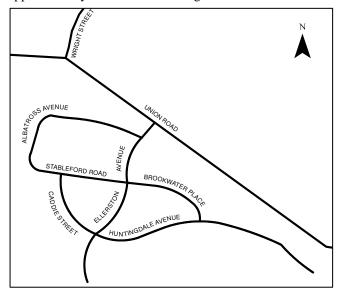
ROADS ACT 1993

Naming of Roads

NOTICE is hereby given that Albury City Council, in pursuance of section 162 of the Roads Act 1993, has named the following roads:

Albatross Avenue Brookwater Place Caddie Street Ellerston Avenue Huntingdale Avenue Stableford Road.

The diagram shows the proposed layout of these roads in Glenroy. Ellerston Avenue comes off Union Road at a point approximately 200m south of Wright Street.



FRANK ZAKNICH, General Manager, Albury City Council, PO Box 323, Albury NSW 2640. [7645]

## BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL

Roads Act 1993

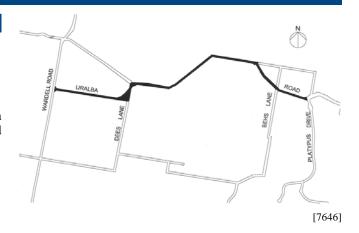
Dedication of Land as Public Road

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with section 10 of the Roads Act 1993, the land described in the Schedule below is dedicated to the public as road.

P. HICKEY, General Manager, Ballina Shire Council, PO Box 450, Ballina NSW 2478.

# **SCHEDULE**

Land being part of Uralba Road at Lynwood from the intersection with Wardell Road then easterly to the intersection with Platypus Drive as shown in the diagram.



#### CAMPBELLTOWN CITY COUNCIL

New Road Names UWS Campbelltown Residential Project, Stage 1

THIS is to give notice that under the provisions of Clause 9 of the Roads Regulation 2008, Council has approved the following road names for use in Stage 1 of the UWS Campbelltown Residential Project:

University Drive Goldsmith Avenue Andromeda Street
Australis Street Centaurus Street Galileo Street
Lunar Place Milky Way Nano Place
Orion Street Pegasus Street Vega Street

Enquiries: (02) 4645 4465. [7647]

#### LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

Roads Act 1993, Section 10

Notice of Dedication of Land as Public Road

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the City of Liverpool dedicates the land described in the Schedule below as public road under section 10 of the Roads Act 1993.

CARL WULFF, Chief Executive Officer, The Council of the City of Liverpool, Locked Bag 7064, Liverpool BC NSW 1871.

# **SCHEDULE**

All that piece or parcel of land known as Lot 82 in Deposited Plan 790072 in the City of Liverpool, Parish of St Luke, County of Cumberland and as described in Folio Identifier 82/790072. [7648]

#### ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

**ROADS ACT 1993** 

Notice of Dedication of Land as Public Road at Orange in the Orange City Council area

ORANGE CITY COUNCIL, by its General Manager, dedicates the land described in the Schedule below as public road under section 10 of the Roads Act 1993.

GARRY STYLES, General Manager, Orange City Council, PO Box 35, Orange NSW 2800.

#### **SCHEDULE**

All that piece or parcel of land situated in the Orange City Council area, Parish of Orange and County of Wellington, described as:

Description of Land	Title Particulars
Lot 1, DP 1065578, Northern Distributor Road, Orange	Folio Identifier 1/1065578
Lot 3, DP 1065578, Northern Distributor Road, Orange	Folio Identifier 3/1065578
Lot 4, DP 1065578, Northern Distributor Road, Orange	Folio Identifier 4/1065578
Lot 5, DP 1065578, Northern Distributor Road, Orange	Folio Identifier 5/1065578

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#### TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL

Roads Act 1993, Section 162

Naming of Public Roads

NOTICE is hereby given that the Tweed Shire Council, in pursuance of section 162 of the Roads Act 1993, has approved the names of the roads to be dedicated in a plan of subdivision at Pottsville (DA13/0057), in the Shire of Tweed as shown below:

Toormina Court Woolgoolga Court Bonville Street Sawtell Circuit

Authorised by the delegated officer. General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, Civic Centre, Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah NSW 2484. [7650]

# **COMPANY NOTICES**

NOTICE of Final General Meeting. – TRAFALGAR GARDENS PTY LIMITED (In Voluntary Liquidation) ACN 008 452 766. – In accordance with section 509 of the Corporations Act notice is hereby given that the Final General Meeting of the abovenamed company will be held at 2/131 Clarence Street, Sydney NSW on 17 October 2014 at 10.00 a.m. for the purpose of having laid before it by the liquidator an account showing how the winding up has been conducted and the manner in which the assets of the company have been distributed and a hearing of an explanation of the account by the liquidator and to authorise the liquidator to destroy all books and records of the company on completion of all duties. Dated 8 September 2014. F. MacDONALD, Liquidator, c/- K. B. Raymond & Co, Level 2, 131 Clarence Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

# **OTHER NOTICES**

NOTICE of Election of Trustees - ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF GRAFTON - In pursuance of the provisions of the Anglican Church of Australia Trust Property Act 1917, it is hereby notified that vacancies of Trustees occurred by reason of the resignation of Mr DAVID JOHN MILLER, effective on 7 November 2013, and the resignation of Mrs ANNE ELIZABETH HYWOOD, effective on 10 May 2014. In accordance with the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008, it is hereby notified that Dr GORDON JOHN BURCH and Mr LINDSAY IAN WALKER were on 31 August 2014 elected as members of the Corporate Trustees of the Diocese of Grafton joining the existing Trustees, being The Right Reverend SARAH JANE MACNEIL, Canon TERENCE GEOFFREY SHORTEN, The Reverend Canon Dr JOHN GREGORY BARRETT and Mr BRADLEY SCOTT BISHOP. The appointments are to have immediate effect. SARAH MACNEIL, Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Grafton. CHRISTOPHER NELSON, Registrar and Secretary to the Corporate Trustees of the Diocese of Grafton, Level 1, 50 Victoria Street, Grafton NSW 2460.

By Authority

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