

SENATOR THE HON MURRAY WATT MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Senator the Hon Sue Lines President of the Senate Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear President Suc

Pursuant to the Order for Production of Documents relating to the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), I present to you documents provided on behalf of the Attorney-General.

Documents sought by the Order are attached in Schedule A.

The documents include two messages between the AFP Commissioner and a PwC Partner. It may assist the Senate to know that the meeting referred to in the message of 14 July 2022 relates to a meeting between the AFP and PwC on 28 July 2022.

The AFP Commissioner and PwC Partner met five times between 1 July 2022 and 15 June 2023. These meetings related to PwC's review of ACT Policing. A summary of the purpose of these meetings and minutes are provided. Material has been redacted from minutes of meetings on the basis that disclosure would not be in the public interest because it would disclose the names of junior officers, could adversely affect law enforcement policy and functions and could prejudice relations between the Commonwealth and the Australian Capital Territory.

I note the extraordinary scope of the Order relating to the production of private communications without limit as to subject. The production of these documents could unreasonably infringe the privacy of individuals and would not be in the public interest.

Accordingly, I claim public interest immunity over the redacted material and all other documents subject to the Order.

Yours sincerely

SENATOR THE HON MURRAY WATT 21 / 6/2023

Encl. Documents for production

Schedule A

(a) The AFP Commissioner Reece Kershaw APM had the following communication with PwC Partner Mick Fuller from 1 July 2022:

Communication format (SMS / email / other)	Date	Content
Other	14 July 2022	Mr Fuller: 'Think I m booked in to see you with Pwc in a few weeks. Will call you before if okay' Commissioner: 'Good plan'
Other	24 May 2023	Mr Fuller: 'Just saw news re referral. Will give you some space so not too complicate your life' Commissioner: 'Ok thx mate'

(b) The AFP Commissioner Reece Kershaw APM and PwC Partner Mick Fuller met the following five times between 1 July 2022 and 15 June 2023. All meetings related to PwC's review of ACT Policing:

Meeting date and attendees	Details of meeting	
28 July 2022	Purpose of Meeting:	
Attendees: AFP Commissioner AFP Chief Operating Officer (COO) Mick Fuller, PwC Partner Other members of PwC team	An introductory meeting to outline the identified need to undertake a comprehensive independent review of the AFP's delivery of policing services to the ACT Government. This informed PwC's consideration of whether they had the capability to undertake the work and would submit a formal quote.	
	Formal Record: This meeting was not minuted.	
5 September 2022	Purpose of Meeting:	
Attendees: AFP Commissioner Mick Fuller, PwC Partner	PwC meeting with the AFP Commissioner to obtain direction for the Review. PwC met with a selection of relevant senior executive members one-on-one as well as meetings across ACT Policing and with AFP corporate areas. Formal Record:	
	This meeting was not minuted.	
13 October 2022	Purpose of meeting:	
Attendees: • AFP Commissioner • AFP COO	A meeting of the Steering Committee - ACT Policing Review.	
 AFP National Manager Strategy and Performance (NMSP) AFP Manager Government and Executive Advice (MGEA) Mick Fuller, PWC Partner Other members of 	The AFP and PWC established governance for the duration of the review, including a consultative working group (with senior representatives from key external stakeholder agencies) an internal steering committee (comprising the AFP Chief Operating Officer (COO) and AFP Commissioner, where necessary, and regular updates to the AFP Strategy and Performance Board (explanation below). The AFP Commissioner only attended one steering committee meeting.	
PWC team	The purpose of the steering committee meeting on 13 October 2022 was to discuss focus areas, timelines, engagement and the review's emerging strategic narrative.	
	A redacted internal briefing document for the meeting is attached.	

Formal Record: PWC provided the AFP with a presentation updating on work to date. The meeting was not minuted. Purpose of meeting: 2 November 2022 Presentation by PwC to the AFP Strategy & Performance Attendees: Board (SPB). The SPB is the AFP's principal strategic AFP Commissioner governance forum for enterprise-wide issues, priorities AFP Chief Operating and direction. It focusses on performance against strategy Officer and outcomes, policy challenges, organisational health, AFP Deputy financial performance, people matters and monitors Commissioners organisational risk. The SPB ensures the alignment of · Chief Police Officer. operational and strategic priorities and considers ACT adjustments in accordance with emerging events and AFP NMSP policy changes. · AFP Chief of Staff AFP MGEA Mr Fuller and PWC team presented an update on the AFP Secretariat review to SPB members at Agenda Item 4. Mr Fuller was Mick Fuller, PWC only present for this agenda item). Partner Other members of Formal Record: Redacted document attached PWC team 1 December 2022 Purpose of meeting: Attendees: Presentation by PwC to the AFP Strategy & Performance AFP Commissioner Board (SPB). Mr Fuller and the PWC team presented a draft final Report to the SPB at Agenda Item 2. Mr Fuller AFP Chief Operating was only present for this agenda item. The SPB discussed Officer the key findings and recommendations of the draft report AFP Deputy and committing to providing written feedback. Commissioners · Chief Police Officer. Formal Record: Redacted document attached ACT AFP NMSP AFP Chief of Staff AFP MGEA AFP Secretariat Mick Fuller, PWC Partner Other members of PWC team



ACT Policing Review

Steering Committee

Date/Time

Thursday 13 October 2022, 13:30 - 14:30

Location

Commissioner's Conference Room

Role

Commissioner's Consultation on progress of ACTP Review by Mr Fuller and PWC

Attendees

Mick Fuller, Partner, PwC

Shane West, PwC

James Ogg, Partner, PwC

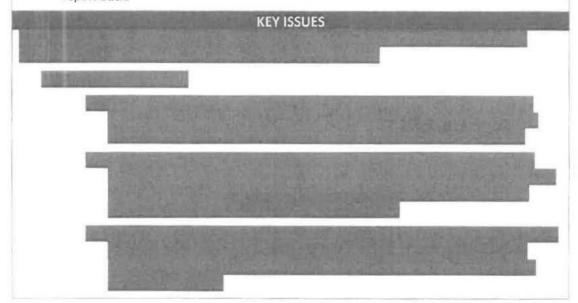
Lachlan McShane, Director, PwC

Charlotte Tressler, Chief Operating Officer, AFP

Katherine Van Gurp, National Manager, Strategy and Performance Susie Williamson de-Vries, Manager Government & Executive Advice

DESIRED OUTCOME

- Note the Review progress to-date, PwC's upcoming focus areas and timings, and engagement cadence for the Review
- Note and discuss the Review's emerging strategic narrative, how this is positioned and what it means, and the supporting baseline evidence, analysis and broader perceptions of engaged stakeholders.
- Agree any additional areas to explore as part of this Review, and how and when PwC will report back.

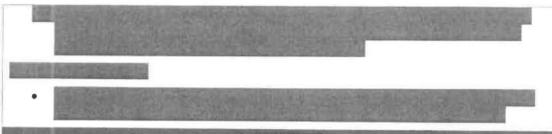


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ACT Policing Review

Steering Committee



BACKGROUND

- To date, PwC have Engaged 50+ stakeholders via interviews, covering ACTP, AFP, ACT Government and the broader policing community.
- PwC have analysed detailed fact-base for policing in the ACT, covering supply, demand and comparative data lenses with a view to understand landscape, and sharpen Review hypotheses.
- PwC will next be presenting their findings to the Consultative Working Group on 27
 October 2022, followed by the Strategy and Performance Board on 3 November 2022.

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Clearing Officer:	Katherine Van Gurp	
Position:	NMSP	
Consultation:	PwC	
Date:	12 October 2022	

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Strategy and Performance Board MINUTES

Date / time

Wednesday, 2 November 2022, 0830-0920HRS

Location

Commissioner's Conference Room, Level 5 AFP National Headquarters Barton, ACT

Chair

Reece Kershaw, AFP Commissioner

Facilitator

Katherine Van Gurp (NMSP)

Invitees

Members: Charlotte Tressler (COO) Ian McCartney (DCI)

Adviser: Doug Boudry (CoS)

Apologies: Lesa Gale (a/DCO); Neil Gaughan (DC-CPO)

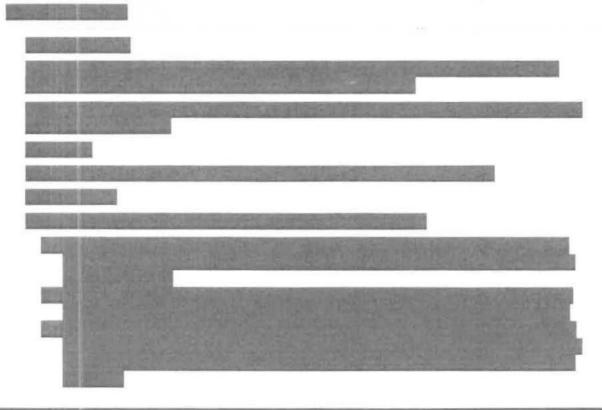
Presenters: (Item 4.1) Mr Mick Fuller (Review of ACT Policing Lead); Mr James Ogg

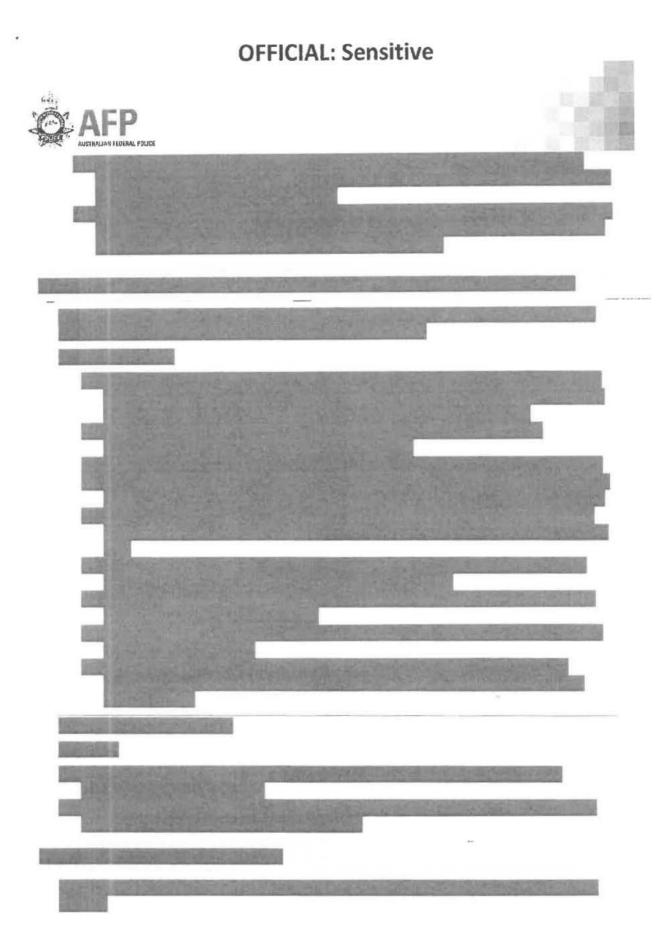
(Partner, PwC); Mr Lachlan McShane (PwC); Ms Frances McMurtrie (PwC);

Susie Williamson de-Vries (MGEA)

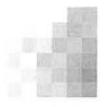
Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held 1 December 2022, 1400-1600hrs.









4.1 REVIEW OF ACT PROVISION OF POLICING

NMSP Katherine Van Gurp introduced the item and Mr Mick Fuller (Review of ACT Policing Lead), Mr James Ogg (Partner, PwC) and Mr Lachlan McShane (PwC) presented the ACTP Review Update to the Board as per the Executive Paper.

The Board:

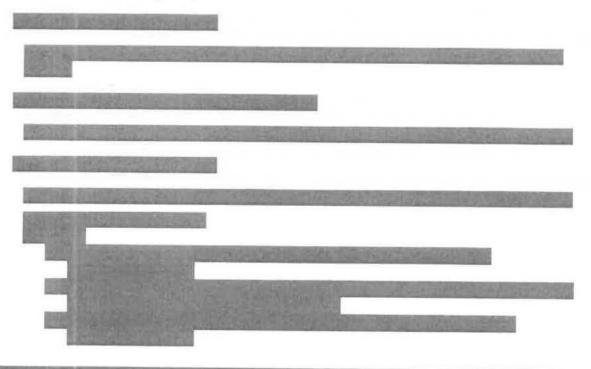
Discussed the key emerging findings provided and noted that the Review is data-led.

 Indicated the recommendations when presented will need to include detail of the full implementation cost and resource impost, and the timeframe / prioritisation for implementation.

DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

The Board:

- Noted the presentation by Price Waterhouse Coopers (PwC) providing an update on the Review, including initial findings. [SPB_20221102_D209]
- Noted the final report is anticipated to be delivered to the December meeting of the Board.
 [SPB_20221102_D210]



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Date / time

Thursday, 1 December 2022, 1400-1535HRS

Location

Commissioner's Conference Room, Level 5 AFP National Headquarters Barton, ACT

Chair

Reece Kershaw, AFP Commissioner

Facilitator

Katherine Van Gurp (NMSP).

Invitees

Members: Charlotte Tressler (COO); Ian McCartney (DCI); Lesa Gale (a/DCO);

Neil Gaughan (DC CPO).

Observer: Jennifer Evans (a/DCoS)

Apologies: Doug Boudry (CoS); Mr Andrew Scipione (External Adviser).

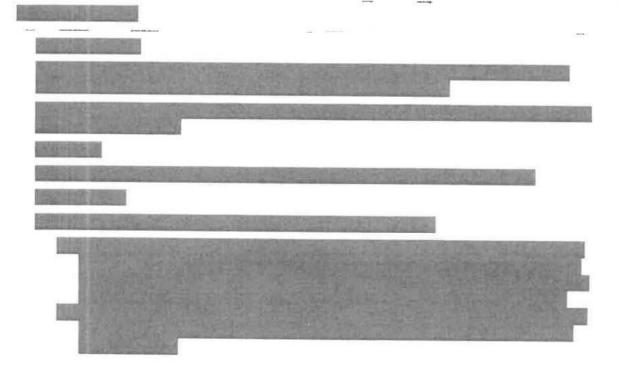
Presenters: Susie Williamson de-Vries (MGEA); Mr Mick Fuller (Review of ACT Policing Lead); Mr James Ogg (Partner, PwC); Mr Lachlan McShane (PwC); Ms Frances McMurtrie (PwC); Paul Wood (CFO); Dr Chris Black (NMPCC);

Brooke Everett (MPS); Jason Cresswell (MASP).

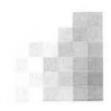
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Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on 2 February 2023.





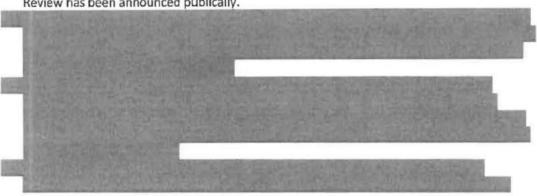


2. REVIEW OF ACT POLICING

NMSP Katherine Van Gurp introduced the item, and Mr Mick Fuller (Review of ACT Policing Lead), Mr James Ogg (Partner, PwC), Mr Lachlan McShane (PwC) and Ms Frances McMurtrie (PwC) presented the Review of ACT Policing as per the Executive Paper.

The Board discussed:

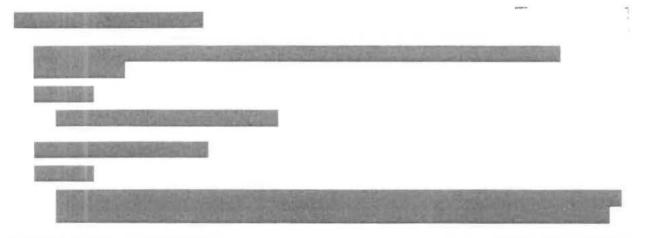
- The feedback and insights delivered by the Committee Working Group which contributed to ensuring the Review has delivered an evidence-based report.
- The requirement to produce an unclassified public facing version of the report noting the Review has been announced publically.



DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

The Board:

- Noted and discussed the key findings and recommendations of the Review into ACT Provision of Policing. [SPB_20221201_D215]
- Committed to providing feedback on and endorsing the Review by 8 December 2022.
 [SPB_20221201_D216]
- Noted a declassified version of the Report will be prepared by the end of December 2022.
 [SPB_20221201_D217]
- Agreed the approach to implementation of the ACTP Review will be listed on the February 2023
 Strategy and Performance Board meeting agenda. [SPB_20221201_A58]



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