

Ref FOI18-61



Dear 

### **Freedom of information request – FOI18-61**

I refer to your application received by ACT Health on 25 July 2018 in which you sought access to information under the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the FOI Act).

In your application you have requested:

*“...a copy of all the emails sent TO and sent FROM, and DELETED from the email account of Nicole Feely which mention the words “preliminary assessment” or “disclosure” or “PID” or “breast” in the subject or body of the email from December 5th to December 15th, and Feb 5th to Feb 15th.”*

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General under section 18 of the Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act.

ACT Health is required to provide a decision on your access application by 27 June 2018.

#### Decision on access

I can inform you that nine documents have been identified by ACT Health within the scope of your request. I have decided that one document is exempt from release in accordance with Sch 2.2 (a)(ii) of the Act, as the information is personal information about an individual. I have decided that one document is to be partially released in accordance with Sch 1.6(d) of the Act, as the disclosure of this information would reveal the deliberations of cabinet as well as Sch 2.2(a)(xv) of the Act, as the disclosure of this information could reasonably be expected to prejudice the management functions of the agency. The remaining seven documents in scope of your request are released to you in full. My decisions on the release of documents identified within the scope of your request are outlined in the Schedule of documents attached.

#### Charges

Processing charges are not applicable to this request.

#### Online publishing – disclosure log

I have determined, in line with the public interest test that the disclosure of information is not contrary to the public interest, and will be publically available on the disclosure log.

Ombudsman review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in ACT Health disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman  
GPO Box 442  
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: [ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au](mailto:ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au).

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review

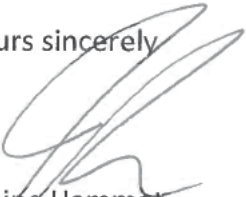
Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision.

Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal  
Level 4, 1 Moore St  
GPO Box 370  
Canberra City ACT 2601  
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740  
<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

Should you have any queries in relation to your request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Coordinator on 6205 1340 or email [HealthFOI@act.gov.au](mailto:HealthFOI@act.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



Janine Hammat  
**Executive Director**  
People and Culture

21 August 2018

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Personal information or business affairs information will not be made available under this policy. If you think the content of your request would contain such information, please inform the contact officer immediately.

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NAME	WHAT ARE THE PARAMETERS OF THE REQUEST	File No
[REDACTED]	A copy of all the emails sent to and sent from, and deleted from the email account of Nicole Feely which mention the words "preliminary assessment" or "disclosure" or "PID" or "breast" in the subject or body of the email from 5 December to 15 December 2017, and 5 February to 15 February 2018.	FOI18/61

Ref No	No of Folios	Description	Date	Status	Reason for non-release or deferral	Open Access release status
1	1-6	Daily Media Report	6 Dec 2017	Full Release		Yes
2	7-10	Email from Nicole Feely to Gabrielle Sek	7 Dec 2017	Not released	Sch 2.2 (a)(ii) of the Act, as the information is personal information about an individual	
3	11-12	Email from Nicole Feely to Nicole Stevenson	7 Dec 2017	Full Release		

4	13-19	Daily Media Report	11 Dec 2017	Full Release		Yes
5	20-23	Daily Media Report	12 Dec 2017	Full Release		Yes
6	24-31	Daily Media Report	5 Feb 2018	Full Release		Yes
7	32-39	Daily Media Report	6 Feb 2018	Full Release		Yes
8	40-41	Email from Nicole Feely to Karen Doran, Vanessa Brady and Chris Bone	12 Feb 2018	Partial Release	Sch 1.6(d) of the Act, Information the disclosure of which would reveal the deliberations of cabinet.  Sch 2.2(a)(xv) of the Act, as the disclosure of the information could reasonably be expected to prejudice the management functions the agency.	
9	42-47	Daily Media Report	15 Feb 2018	Full Release		Yes
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**Stevenson, Nicole (Health)**

**From:** Isentia Daily Briefings <DailyBriefings@isentia.com>  
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Wednesday, 6th December 2017

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- > [Racing family rallies](#)
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- > [Gallagher looking likely for her day in the High Court](#)

## ABC Radio Canberra's News Headlines:

- > Russia has been banned from the Winter Olympics over state sponsored doping.
- > Four Labor MPs and Nik Xenophon Team federal politicians were all apparently dual citizens when nominations for the election closed last year.
- > PM Malcolm Turnbull and Opposition Leader Bill Shorten will be attending a ceremony at the Australian War Memorial this morning.
- > The Community Affairs Legislation Committee inquiry report into the cashless welfare card is due to be tabled in the senate. Federal Labor has indicated that it will not be supporting the expansion of trials to WA's Goldfields or Bundaberg in Qld.

- > Three successful Aussie leaders will speak at the National Press Club to discuss the opportunities and challenges of women in corporate Australia.
- > Some Canberra beauty salons are allegedly reusing hair infested wax on separate clients.
- > An Australian Institute of Health and Welfare report has found that private health insurance is funding an increased proportion of hospital admissions in Australia.

## A summary of ACT Government media coverage

### Education

- > The **Canberra Times** reports that the ACT was the only Australian jurisdiction to slip backwards in the Progress in International Reading Literacy Study, which revealed the ACT has lost top spot to Victoria. Yvette Berry, ACT Education Minister, said improvements in other states had brought them into line with the ACT, noting the holistic approach the government took to improving education. The study also ranked Australia 21<sup>st</sup> in the world in regards to literacy. [Also prospected to Themes: *Ministers and Opposition MLAs*]

### Law and Order

- > The **Canberra Times** also notes that the ACT Director of Public Prosecution Jon White's base salary will rise by \$8653 to \$440,843. This comes in light of recent changes to the salary of ACT Supreme Court judges, with Dr Colin Adrian, ACT Remuneration Tribunal chairman, noting they had been linked to legislation regarding Federal Court judges. Other pay rises were announced on Tuesday, including for the new Inspector of Correctional Services and the chair of the Board of Senior Secondary Studies. [Also prospected to Themes: *Economic Growth*]

### Supporting Families

- > The **Canberra Times** also features an article on a new Australian National University-led research study that found children were at risk when both parents experienced conflict between their job and family time. Lead researcher Huong Dinh said six out of 10 working couples struggled to manage work and family commitments. Co-researcher Lyndall Strazdins noted that the study demonstrated that a work-life imbalance affected children's mental health. The study was conducted with the La Trobe University and was published in the Social Science & Medicine journal. [Also prospected to Themes: *Economic Growth, Health and Land, Planning & Urban Renewal*]

## Canberra Community

### Five things to do this weekend

Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Jill Hogan, page 16

Our pick of what to do in Canberra this weekend. 1. Christmas In Glebe Park. Haven't even put your tree up yet? Sixty-five real Christmas trees will form an enchanted forest in the city under a canopy of Christmas lights from Friday night. The Christmas lights and celebrations will run in Glebe Park right up until Christmas with different entertainment every weekend including Christmas movies under the stars, goat yoga and live entertainment.

### Prokofiev classic and rare Honegger for finale



### Canberra Times, Arts & Entertainment, 06/12/17, page 22

Peter And The Wolf. National Capital Orchestra conducted by Leonard Weiss. Saturday, December 9, 3pm. Albert Hall. nco.org.au. Previewed by Ron Cerabona Leonard Weiss says the final National Capital Orchestra concert for 2017 will feature a piece he played with another ensemble at the start of the year. "Peter and the Wolf is probably Prokofiev's most well-known piece - amazingly, he wrote the entire thing in two days," Weiss says. The composer came up with the music, story and text after being commissioned to write a musical symphony for children by the Central Children's Theatre in Moscow in order to introduce children to the instruments of the orchestra.

### It's a sellout! No tickets left for Canberra Big Bash game

Canberra Times, Sport, 06/12/17, Chris Dutton, page 46

Canberra Big Bash bid officials hope a sellout crowd at Manuka Oval in January will be the perfect way to show Cricket Australia how serious the capital is about having its own team. The Sydney Thunder clash against the Melbourne Renegades at a resurfaced Manuka Oval is officially sold out almost two months before the game. It's a major boost for Canberra's hopes of impressing Cricket Australia officials after a group of business men and women launched a bid for a Big Bash licence.

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## Economic Growth & Diversification

There is no coverage this morning.

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## Education

### ACT loses nation's top spot for reading

Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Emily Baker, page 10

Canberra was the only Australian jurisdiction to slip backwards in an international study of reading literacy, with a new report revealing the ACT has lost top spot to Victoria and recorded a greater number of students below the proficiency standard than in the same test five years ago. The Progress in International Reading Literacy Study showed that although 20 per cent of ACT year 4 students reached the advanced benchmark - the highest rate in the country - a further 18 per cent were ranked low or below low standard.

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## Emergency Services

There is no coverage this morning.

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## Environment

### Bushwalkers may be unwittingly helping the spread of devastating rust fungus

Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Peter Hannam, page 2

Bushwalkers and other travellers heading to Victoria and Tasmania during the summer are advised to take care to avoid spreading a fungus that has already placed dozens of native plant species at 'immediate risk'. So far, the two states have identified only the imported myrtle rust in nurseries but its rapid spread along Australia's east coast in just a few years underscores the challenges facing biosecurity staff in all states to contain the fungus. [...] "There are about 50 species of immediate concern" in Australia, said Dr Makinson, before a two day workshop on myrtle rust control attended by government agencies and scientists that began on Tuesday in Canberra.

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## Health

### **New oncology centre on the way with first sods turned on project**

**Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Daniella White, page 14**

Work has begun on a new oncology centre, with hopes it will cut waiting times for cancer patients and save Canberrans from travelling interstate for treatment. The Canberra Specialist Medical Centre at University of Canberra is due to open next year, increasing the availability of radiation and medical oncology, haematology and diagnostic services. The three-level building will feature two radiation therapy bunkers for linear accelerators, the latest in radiation therapy technology delivering pinpoint accuracy in treating solid tumours.

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## Industrial Relations

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## Land, Planning and Urban Renewal

### **'Going fishing' after building Canberra brick by brick**

**Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Bree Winchester, page 12**

There aren't many men who can claim to have built Canberra from the ground up, but 78-year-old bricklayer Dante Gaspari is one of them. From the Maltese Embassy in O'Malley to Narrabundah College and a bevy of backyard pizza ovens for friends in the inner south, Mr Gaspari's bricklaying skills are responsible for some of the capital's most significant and treasured brick structures. But after 64 years as a bricklayer - the past 57 years in Canberra - the time has come for Mr Gaspari to turn off the mixer, put down the trowel and head into retirement.

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## Law & Order

### **Concerns at delay for trio on murder charges**

**Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Megan Gorrey, page 2**

A Canberra magistrate voiced concerns a woman and two of her sons, accused of killing the family matriarch in Red Hill, had not been committed to stand trial five months after the three were charged and put behind bars. Lawyers for artist Melissa Beowulf, 60, and her sons Bjorn Toren Beowulf, 29, and Thorsten Beowulf, 31, who wanted the case to move forward, clashed with prosecutors, who asked for more time in the ACT Magistrates Court on Tuesday. Police said they launched an investigation after they were called to the home of Katherine Helene Panin, 81, following a report a woman had fallen down stairs and died on October 12 in 2015.

### **Chief prosecutor's pay rises to \$440,000**

**Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Katie Burgess, page 14**

The ACT's top prosecutor will receive a pay rise just short of what the territory's Supreme Court judges take home. A ruling by the remuneration tribunal means that ACT Director of Public Prosecution Jon White's base salary will rise by \$8653 to \$440,843, \$167 short of what ACT Supreme Court judges are paid, after his office raised concerns that he had been 'financially disadvantaged' by recent pay rises for those on the bench. In a submission to the tribunal, ACT DPP director of corporate services Emma Flukes wrote that the pay disparity risked "reflecting poorly on the status of the role". "The issue is around how the ACT values the role of the Director of Public Prosecutions in terms of the perception of senior criminal lawyers both within the ACT and other jurisdictions.

### **Three accused of trying to attack sex offender**



**Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Alexandra Back, page 15**

Three Canberra men are on trial in the ACT Supreme Court this week accused of trying to launch an attack on a sex offender. At the opening of the trial on Tuesday, the court heard one of the men had a video of the sex offender molesting an underage girl. The man allegedly told police he went to the house to bang on the door, show the offender the video and educate him. One man said they only wanted to turn him in to authorities, the court heard. But prosecutors contend the men committed a crime and went there armed with a knife and the intent to break in and cause the man harm.

**Marijuana mercy trip ends in court****Gladstone Observer, General News, 06/12/17, Sarah Steger, page 7**

An older out-of-towner told his lawyer he definitely wouldn't be bringing any more illegal drugs into Gladstone after he was caught driving around the city with almost half a kilogram of marijuana. Milan Pero Tomljenovic, 64, only just made it to Gladstone Magistrates Court on time when his connecting flight from Canberra was delayed in Brisbane on Friday morning. [...] She said because the production and possession of marijuana was decriminalised in the ACT (growing three plants and possessing less than one gram), her client, who had chronic back pain and used the drug to treat his pain, simply wasn't thinking when he travelled with it interstate.

**Fake parking inspectors asking for money in Gungahlin****2CC, 05:30 News, 06/12/17 05:30AM, Compere**

Gungahlin residents are urged to be on a lookout for fake parking inspectors asking for money with a number of incidences reported over the past few days. Craig Simmons from Access Canberra says these incidents need to be reported to his department or police.

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**Ministers and Opposition MLAs****Lack of disclosure cost dearly****Canberra Times, Editorials, 06/12/17, page 18**

Senator Katy Gallagher, the highly regarded former ACT chief minister, has only herself to blame for the attacks on her integrity that will be made by Coalition MPs following her involvement in the citizenship fiasco. Senator Gallagher, in a move that was strongly at odds with her well-founded reputation as a straight shooter, chose not to disclose she had held, and then renounced, UK citizenship up until May 2, 2016 in an address to the Senate in September.

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**Supporting Families****Parental workload link to kids' mental health****Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Emily Baker, page 2**

The children of cranky parents struggling to manage work and family life are more likely to experience mental health problems, a new study has found, prompting researchers to call for greater flexibility from employers. The Australian National University-led research found children were at the greatest risk when both parents experienced conflict between their job and family time, which was more likely if they worked jobs with heavy workloads, long hours and job insecurity. Lead researcher Huong Dinh said six out of 10 working couples had at some point struggled to manage work and family commitments, with one in seven experiencing prolonged periods when one parent was not managing those commitments well.

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**Tourism**

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## Transport and Roads

### Tailgating capital? Road crash data sober reading

Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Sherryn Groch, page 3

You're more likely to be rear-ended in the ACT than anywhere else in the country, crash statistics reveal. The latest AAMI Crash Index Report released on Wednesday shows drivers in the 'tailgating capital' are also about 70 per cent more likely to hit an animal than the average Australian. But, with fewer accidents reported due to a failure to give way, we're perhaps a little more courteous. In the past financial year, nose-to-tail accidents were the most common type of insurance claim made by Canberrans, making up 33.5 per cent of more than 8000 claims.

### Canberrans grounded by flight cancellations

Canberra Times, General News, 06/12/17, Tom McIlroy, page 7

Canberra MP Gai Brodtmann says the federal government is showing contempt in failing to intervene on high rates of flight cancellations to and from the capital. Last month, Canberra Airport boss Stephen Byron called on Infrastructure Minister Darren Chester and the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to investigate cancellations three times worse than industry standards on services between Sydney and Canberra. Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development statistics showed flights between Canberra and Sydney topped the nation for cancellations in September, reaching 8.1 per cent.

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## Letters to the Editor from today's The Canberra Times

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## Stevenson, Nicole (Health)

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**From:** Feely, Nicole (Health)  
**Sent:** Thursday, 7 December 2017 10:00 PM  
**To:** Stevenson, Nicole (Health)  
**Cc:** Chamberlain, Jodie (Health); Sek, Gabrielle (Health)  
**Subject:** Re: Org chart - revised

Thoughts

Org structure

Partners - remove the etc; call them partners and stakeholders

The Director role cannot be named as we don't have sizing authority so it needs to be much smaller box and called 'office of the DDG'

CCO - remove the title of Centre for General Surgery

S1 - move the operations role up under the MH box not under the Support Services box - and just call it an Operations manager - MH - please cross check I refer to this role in my letters and announcement

S2 - why is ACAT in the Community box and not under Care of the older person in S5?

S3 - what are Clinical Forensic Medical Services?

Query move Breast screen to the community services in S2?

Why wouldn't Trauma be under S3 Centre for Emergency and acute services and include General Surgery there also?

Kill the Centre for General Surgery??

S4 - what is Med Physics in Cancer for? I thought we were moving this function to report to Peter O'H?

S5 - I suggest we list Stroke as its own dot point - lots of politics and we still don't have a clear agreement that stroke reports to Neurology

Also where does Cerebral Palsy sit?

Centre for Rehab - is it correct to say Neuro?

In the grey box add in that each Centre will have a medical, nursing and Allied Health lead

chief Nurse - are the matrix lines correct? I want solid line to Chris and dotted to all the Service leads - think we are missing a dotted line

General language

Can we please say re-alignment rather than restructure

In the intranet page we talk about the Service streams facilitating co-ordinated care - I don't see the care through the service streams but the Centres as any stream could have any Centres ?? The Service Streams role is to be the governance oversight mechanism to ensure the Centres are being serviced by the appropriate supports and manage the business of the respective centers - or something like that?

And we need to replace the org realignment chart and add in the overall MAG, NAG etc governance structure?

Union letter looks good but I will reread it in the morning

Thank you for all this work - I will call in the morning

Nicole Feely  
Director General  
ACT Health

On Dec 7, 2017, at 4:59 PM, Stevenson, Nicole (Health) <[Nicole.Stevenson@act.gov.au](mailto:Nicole.Stevenson@act.gov.au)> wrote:

Hi Nicole

Jodie, Alice and I did the mapping exercise this afternoon and Mahesh has very patiently worked through the changes with me.

See attached new structure for your consideration (one typo under Chief of Clinical Ops (says Centre for Gen Surgery – ignore this, have just sent back). Happy for you to buzz me in the morning to discuss.

I have also attached the union letter, DG Bulletin and intranet content for your final clearance so it can all go out tomorrow at once.

Hope all goes well at AHMAC.  
Nic

**Nicole Stevenson**

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- > ['Use of force' on the rise](#)

## ABC Radio Canberra's News Headlines:

- > Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu has told Palestinians that they must accept the reality that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel in order to move towards peace.
- > Christopher Pyne, Federal Minister for Defence Industry, is in Adelaide for a jobs announcement at Osborne naval shipyard.
- > PM Malcolm Turnbull is in Sydney today and will be appearing at Q and A tonight.
- > ICAN, the international campaign to abolish nuclear weapons, has been awarded the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize. ICAN was founded in Melbourne 10 years ago.
- > Today marks the start of the official count back to determine who will fill the vacancy in the Legislative Assembly following the death of Canberra Liberal's MLA Steve Doszpot.
- > Shane Rattenbury, ACT Minister for Climate Change, will release a discussion paper today which details how ACT will achieve a zero net green house gas emissions by 2050.
- > Tracking has begun for the Latham's snipe birds which like to visit the Jerrabomberra Wetlands in Canberra.



## A summary of ACT Government media coverage:

### Environment

- > **The Canberra Times** reports the Climate Change Council has advised the ACT government to bring forward its zero net emissions target to 2045 and calculate the "social cost" of missing the target. Climate Change Minister Shane Rattenbury will release a discussion paper today which details how the territory will achieve the target. [Also prospected to Themes: *Health, Ministers & Opposition MLAs and Transport & Roads*]

### Land, Planning and Urban Renewal

- > The front page of **The Canberra Times** writes that residents of a Forrest apartment complex, which allegedly breaches building codes and has reduced fire resistance, say the site may need to be demolished and there is the possibility of a law suit against the ACT government. [Also prospected to Themes: *Economic Growth & Diversification*]

### Law and Order

- > Page one of **The Canberra Times** also reports that internal documents show the ACT government did not complete 15 "use of force" records at the Bimberi youth detention centre in 2016-17 while the use of force increased by 133 per cent. [Also prospected to Themes: *Education, Health, Ministers & Opposition MLAs and Supporting Families*]

### Supporting Families

- > **The Canberra Times** writes that Greens MLA Caroline Le Couteur wants an urgent review of funding for women's shelters in the ACT as it emerges Beryl Women's Shelter is at risk of closure due to increasing demand for services and a 32 per cent funding cut. [Also prospected to Themes: *Land Planning & Urban Renewal and Ministers & Opposition MLAs*]

## Canberra Community

### Glebe Park lights up for Christmas

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, page 7

Thousands of Canberrans wandered through a forest of Christmas trees over the weekend as the inaugural Christmas in Glebe Park festival opened. The ACT government ditched its annual giant tree in City Walk to put on three weekends worth of food, carols and light installations in the under-utilised CBD park.

### Why is Canberra the home of Summernats car festival?

ABC Online, Other, 12/11/17, Sonya Gee

Every summer, tens of thousands of motoring enthusiasts take over the nation's capital. Rebecca Pearse stumbled across the Summernats festival during her first Canberra summer.

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## Economic Growth & Diversification

### Coalition looks at relocation factors

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Tom McIlroy, page 6

The Coalition says it will consider economic cost-benefit analyses and public consultations as part of forced public service relocations to the regions, coming as a parliamentary committee considering decentralisation extended its reporting date into 2018. The National Party-led plan to relocate non-policy public service positions from Canberra, Sydney and Melbourne is being considered by cabinet, and answers provided to a Senate estimates committee show the two-stage



business case process includes a "high level" range of options before funding and management of moves is considered.

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## Education

### Schools deal a boost for private sector in Gonski 2.0

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Peter Martin, page 3

Catholic and independent private schools are set to get more than 100 per cent of their needs from governments under the Turnbull government's new 'Gonski 2.0' plan, official documents released under freedom of information show. Obtained by the Australian Education Union and processed by the convenor of the Save Our Schools campaign, Trevor Cobbold, the Education Department documents spell out the amount of government funding expected for each school sector in each state in 2018.

### Gonski 2.0 is no win-win

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Trevor Cobbold, page 14

Funds won't go where they are most needed, says Trevor Cobbold. The Prime Minister says the Gonski 2.0 school-funding plan is 'fair, it's needs based and it's consistent'. But confidential data released by the federal Education Department under freedom of information law contradicts his claim.

### Aranda Primary takes out junior title

Canberra Times, Sport, 11/12/17, page 43

Aranda Primary School won back to back junior volleyball league titles at the Lyneham beach courts on Sunday. Sydney Olympian Rachel Uren is continuing to build a program to encourage children to play the sport, with more than 160 students joining her training initiative.

### Veteran of the reading wars raises hand for tests

The Australian, General News, 11/12/17, Rebecca Urban, page 1

It has been 40 years since educator Faye Berryman was unwittingly embroiled in a 'political bunfight' over how children should be taught to read. A proponent of the phonics approach to literacy, which had fallen out of favour, the cofounder of the Fitzroy Community School in Melbourne was forced to develop her own teaching resources after struggling to find simple books designed for children to read aloud.

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## Emergency Services

### ACT 'well-prepared' for bushfire season

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Michael Inman, page 2

ACT authorities have declared the territory well prepared for the bushfire season, despite having completed just half of planned control burns in the past financial year due to poor weather or insufficient fuel loads. However, the ACT Parks and Conservation Service still carried out 95.9 per cent of the 2016-17 bushfire operations plan.

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## Environment

### 'Social cost' warning on emissions

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Katie Burgess, page 2

The Climate Change Council has warned the ACT government not to buy carbon offsets as the territory moves towards zero net emissions. Instead the council has urged government to set new targets for reducing carbon emissions and invest in abatement measures if it failed to meet them.

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## Health

### Shopping around no help for patients needing surgery

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Esther Han, page 4

Consumers are often told to 'shop around' to save money, but for privately insured patients, calculating and comparing the out-of-pocket costs for operations can be 'perplexing and sometimes impossible'. Ahead of a Senate committee delivering a report this week on the value of private health insurance, consumer group Choice is calling on surgeons and health funds to increase transparency and publish the average prices for common operations.

### Endometriosis is not in the mind and it hurts like hell

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Esther Han, page 4

On her worst days, 22-year-old Tara Smith feels so much pain in her pelvic region that a hot wheat bag, painkillers, and the comforts of her own bed, aren't enough. She needs to go to a hospital emergency department to get morphine.

### Canberra Hospital Foundation receives \$100k grant from Canberra Commonwealth Bank employees

The RiotACT, Other, 10/12/17, Lachlan Roberts

Support for women and children in the ACT was a crucial factor in the Canberra Hospital Foundation receiving a \$100,000 Centenary grant from Canberra Commonwealth Bank employees. The Canberra Hospital Foundation will be one of the first stops in a nationwide roll-out of grants to organisations chosen by local bank employees.

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## Land, Planning and Urban Renewal

### Law suit looms for Bentley

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Steven Trask, page 1

The impact of alleged building code breaches at a Forrest apartment complex could be so severe the site may need to be demolished, residents say. A law suit is brewing against the ACT government after the discovery of steel beams at the Bentley Suites apartment complex that allegedly breached building codes because of 'greatly reduced fire resistance levels'.

### Highest price paid for a Mr Fluffy block: \$2.75 million

Sunday Canberra Times, Property, 10/12/17, Lucy Bladen, page 2

The highest auction sale for a former Mr Fluffy block from Colliers International was recorded on Tuesday with a Deakin land parcel selling for \$2.75 million. The 1821-square metre block at 5 Normanby Crescent in Deakin smashed the previous record price paid for a Mr Fluffy block by \$848,000 and was one of 60 blocks on offer at Suburban Land ACT's public auction at the Hellenic Club Woden.

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## Law & Order

### 'Use of force' on the rise

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Steven Trask, page 1



The use of force at the Bimberi youth detention centre has increased 133 per cent in the past year as concerns come to light about poor record-keeping inside the facility. Internal documents show the ACT government mistakenly failed to complete 15 "use of force" records in 2016 and 2017 in line with legal requirements under the Children and Young People Act.

#### **Marriage is for keeps second time around**

**The Australian, General News, 11/12/17, Victoria Laurie, page 4**

On the same day and at the historic hour that same-sex marriage became law last week, West Australian Environment Minister Stephen Dawson and his partner Dennis Liddelow celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary. Or at least they would have, if the High Court hadn't disallowed their Canberra marriage in 2013, just five days after they exchanged vows and wedding rings on the steps of the Australian Capital Territory's parliament.

#### **Fortress Canberra rises from people's house**

**The Australian, General News, 11/12/17, Greg Brown, page 6**

The \$126 million security upgrade of parliament house has turned the people's place into a giant construction site, with scaffolding attached to its roof and walkways while trees and vegetation are ripped up. The building is in the midst of a massive refurbishment, with aerial views taken by The Australian showing the works have rendered the site barely recognisable.

#### **Ram raid in Gungahlin**

**ABC, ABC News (Weekend), 12/10/17 07:00PM, Craig Allen**

ACT Police have been called to the scene of a ram raid in Gungahlin.

#### **Use of force on the rise**

**2CC, 06:00 News, 12/11/17 06:02AM, Newsreader**

The use of force in the Bimberi Youth Justice Centre is reportedly on the rise.

#### **Firearms dealer will be charged**

**MIX 106.3 FM, 05:30 News, 12/11/17 05:31AM, Newsreader**

A 60-year-old Canberra firearms dealer will be charged after police found 36 long arms guns and five handguns in a Ngunnawal property. The man was on bail in NSW for serious firearms related offences and is set to face court in less than two weeks.

#### **Canberra woman raped by relative in childhood wants to shine spotlight on home abuse**

**ABC Online, Other, 10/12/17, Clare Sibthorpe**

It has been 25 years since Hayley Blease was last raped by a family member, and all it takes is a certain scent or mannerism for the sickening memories to rush back. "It can be something as simple as someone walking down the street who smells like him, or talks like him," she said.

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### **Ministers and Opposition MLAs**

#### **Gallagher ruling no precedent for Labor**

**Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Tom McIlroy, page 7**

Labor won't consider a High Court ruling on Katy Gallagher's eligibility as a precedent for MPs under a cloud over dual citizenship claims, despite Malcolm Turnbull's view that other opposition MPs should resign if the ACT senator is disqualified. The High Court said on Friday evening Senator Gallagher's case would go before the Court of Disputed Returns for the first time on January 19, calling for evidence and submissions in the case - and that of Labor lower house MP David Feeney - to be received before December 21.

#### **Citizenship crisis looks to drag into 2018**

**ABC News, ABC News - 12:00 (Weekend), 12/10/17 12:06PM, Newsreader**

Compere reports that the two major federal parties are at a stalemate over the citizenship crisis which looks to drag into 2018. Despite its assurances that its vetting processes were strict, Labor's ACT Senator Katy Gallagher and its MP for Batman, David Feeney, are off to the High Court.

Shadow Attorney-General Mark Dreyfus refuses to speculate over the High Court's decision on Feeney's case. Dreyfus mentions Labor's agreement with the crossbenchers. He says that Labor has referred four of its own members, including Rebekha Sharkie. Dreyfus says that the Liberals have not dealt with Government MPs who have not made proper disclosures such as Nola Marino.

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## Supporting Families

### Shelter closure spurs call for funding review

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Katie Burgess, page 2

Greens crossbencher Caroline Le Couteur has called for an urgent review of the way women's refuges are funded in the ACT, after it was revealed Australia's longest-running domestic violence shelter is at risk of closing. Beryl Women's Shelter could be forced to shut because of rising demand and a 32 per cent funding cut over a three-year period.

### Entertainers McKenney, Hayes buddy up for breast cancer charity fundraising effort

Canberra Times, General News, 11/12/17, Karen Hardy, page 8

It was fitting that entertainers Todd McKenney and Nancye Hayes came to Canberra to support the charity Bosom Buddies because they'll be bringing their stage play of the same name to town in May. The town's busiest publicist, Coralie Wood, saw a great opportunity to raise some much-needed funds for the organisation, which works with breast cancer survivors, and guests at a luncheon were treated to a taste of what's to come.

### More outsiders than staff at NDIS

The Australian, General News, 11/12/17, Rick Morton, page 3

The National Disability Insurance Scheme hired more contractors than full-time staff in its executive ranks despite receiving a legal warning that it could breach Fair Work Act rules and pose an 'acute' reputational risk. The \$22 billion scheme plans to spend more than \$155 million on consultants and hired help this year despite the warnings from the Australian Government Solicitor that it should not overuse contractors and consultants.

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Lake earns Instagram recognition

Sunday Canberra Times, General News, 10/12/17

Many people are seen walking around it. The more-athletic types are seen running or cycling around it, or even paddling on it.

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### Economic Growth & Diversification

#### Canberra apartment rental yields out-perform other Australian cities

Sunday Canberra Times, Property, 10/12/17

If you're considering investing in the property market, yield is a key term to know. Prospective landlords use yield as an indicator to establish the investment potential of a property.

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### Education

#### University wants top rank as workplace supporting families

Canberra Times, General News, 12/12/17

The Australian National University will seek accreditation from the Australian Breastfeeding Association as part of its bid to become the world's top institution for gender equity. The university will also develop a breastfeeding policy across campus and ensure that parenting facilities are considered when new buildings are designed.

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### Land, Planning and Urban Renewal

#### Woden Town Centre given the go ahead by planning committee

Canberra Times, Other, 12/12/17



Plans to rezone parts of a Woden park should be scrapped or scaled back to prevent social housing being built on the site, an ACT parliamentary inquiry has found.

#### **APG and EG buy four Canberra sites for \$122m**

**Australian Financial Review, Property, 12/12/17 12:00AM, Su-Lin Tan, page 33**

Canberra property developer Amalgamated Property Group and Sydney-based group EG Funds Management have splashed out \$122.5 million in total for four federal government office buildings and their corresponding landholdings, suitable for residential and commercial development. APG has acquired Anzac Park East at the intersection of Constitution Avenue and Anzac Parade and Block 8, Section 3, Parkes, for \$34.3 million and \$21.7 million respectively.

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### **Law & Order**

#### **Lawyers push to raise age of criminal responsibility**

**CityNews, Other, 12/12/17 01:41PM, None**

Australian Lawyers for Human Rights (ALHR) are calling on the ACT government to raise the age of criminal responsibility, which is the age below a child is deemed incapable of having committed a criminal offence.

#### **Canberra rapist Rashid Abuuh who attacked and robbed sex worker jailed**

**ABC Online, Other, 12/12/17 01:34PM, Tom Lowrey**

A Canberra man who raped and robbed a sex worker with two other men will spend up to three years and eight months in jail, after prosecutors in the ACT Supreme Court described their victims as being in 'the most vulnerable of occupations'.

#### **Dog attacks reported in The Canberra Times this year**

**Canberra Times, General News, 12/12/17 12:00AM, page 8**

November 14: A Canberra woman was left shaken after her Jack Russell, Evie was mauled to death by an off-leash dog. The search to find the dog and owner is ongoing.

#### **Canberra dog attacks on steep rise as investigations balloon**

**Canberra Times, General News, 12/12/17 12:00AM, Han Nguyen Emily Baker, page 8**

The number of dog attacks in Canberra appears to be on the rise with a fourfold increase in investigations in just five years.

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### **Ministers and Opposition MLAs**

#### **The ACT now has majority of women in its Parliament**

**MIX 106.3 FM, 09:00 News, 12/12/17 09:02AM, Newsreader**

The ACT now has majority of women in its Parliament as Candice Burch, Member for Kurrajong, will replace Steve Doszpot. She says she had a lot of support former fellow politicians.

#### **Candice Burch has been welcomed into the ACT Legislative Assembly as MP for Kurrajong**

**hit104.7 Canberra, 06:00 News, 12/12/17 06:02AM,**

Candice Burch has been welcomed into the ACT Legislative Assembly as MP for Kurrajong. Burch has been a member of Canberra Liberals in the past decade. She says that she wants the ACT Government focus on the things that matter. She fills in the casual vacancy left by Steve Doszpot's passing.

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## Tourism

**People visiting Canberra has increased by 10% than last year**

**MIX 106.3 FM, 12:00 News, 12/12/17 12:04PM, Newsreader**

People visiting Canberra has increased by 10% than last year, with more than 228,000 people going around to see Canberra's attraction. The increase has been estimated to contribute \$115mil to the local economy.

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## Economic Growth & Diversification

### **Interview with Michael Hopkins, CEO, Master Builders Association of the ACT.**

**2CC, Canberra Live, 05/02/18 05:13PM, Rod Henshaw**

Interview with Michael Hopkins, CEO, Master Builders Association of the ACT. Henshaw says the Barr Government has announced changes to the system of procurement of Government contracts. He explains the Government is claiming it would remove the questionable deal, which allowed Unions ACT to vet its contractors and replace it with a new code forcing businesses to admit they are following rules to protect workers. He says it all contains a local jobs code. He says the Liberals cannot say the new system reads like a wishlist for unions. He says the Master Builders Association of the ACT says while they welcome any reforms to cancel the MOU between the Government and unions, transparency is what it lacks. Hopkins says one thing that they are pleased about is the commitment from the Government to scrap the MOU with Unions ACT. He says billions of taxpayers' money being spent on the ACT's construction and infrastructure should be spent with reputable businesses doing quality jobs. He claims what they need to make sure of its that the new code is workable for everybody. He says they support the involvement of local contractors in government works. Henshaw wonders if it's possible to separate Unions ACT with the ACT Labor Government. Hopkins says they need to make sure that any Government contracting is clear and transparent. Henshaw mentions Liberal spokesman Andrew Wall, who says the changes will become some sort of a wish list for unions. Hopkins says they need to review the new code and they will have consultations with the Government about it.

### **Increase in the overall cost of living is driving more Canberrans into Queanbeyan**

**2CC, 18:00 News, 05/02/18 06:00PM, Newsreader**

An increase in the overall cost of living is driving more Canberrans into Queanbeyan. Tim Overall, Mayor of Queanbeyan-Palerang Council, says they can cope with the influx of residents.

### **New ACT procurement rules should balance business costs with worker protection**

**Canberra Times, Other, 05/02/18 07:26PM, The Canberra Times**

Despite their early fears about the ACT government's plan to replace its deal with unions over procurement, businesses should be glad that the end is in sight for the controversial memorandum of understanding.

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## Education

### **It is back to school for students across the ACT with kindergarteners settling in a day early**

**Southern Cross ACT, Nine News Canberra, 05/02/18 06:16PM, Newsreader**

It is back to school for students across the ACT with kindergarteners settling in a day early. It was a special morning at North Ainslie Primary, the school has welcomed five sets of twins. Yvette Berry, ACT Education Minister, says they are trying to calmly get people back into a bit of a routine.

*Similar coverage also appeared on WIN Canberra, ABC Radio Canberra and hit104.7 Canberra.*

### **Lollipop people man most dangerous school road crossings in Canberra for the first time**

**ABC Online, Other, 05/02/18 03:43PM, Hannah Walmsley, Louise Maher**

The ACT is another step closer to joining the rest of Australia by trialling the deployment of lollipop people at school crossings.

### **First day of school for five sets of twins at Canberra's North Ainslie Primary**

**ABC Online, Other, 05/02/18 03:29PM, Elise Pianegonda, Jake Evans**

For 10 nervous Kindergarten students at Canberra's North Ainslie Primary School, their first day was made a little easier — being accompanied by a friend for life.

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## Emergency Services

### **Interview with Matthew Mavity, ACT Fire and Rescue.**

**2CC, Canberra Live, 05/02/18 05:45PM, Rod Henshaw**

Interview with Matthew Mavity, ACT Fire and Rescue. Henshaw talks about the building evacuation in Northbourne Avenue. He thinks it is still causing a little chaos. He says more than 200 people have already been evacuated from the building. He says ACT Fire and Rescue has arrived on the scene after 4 pm. Mavity says the situation is back to normal. He says the inspection they have done due to the report of a gas leak is just a precautionary measure.

*Similar coverage also appeared on ABC Radio Canberra.*

### **Two-hundred people evacuated from Northbourne building**

**CityNews, Other, 05/02/18 04:34PM, Len Goodman**

More than 200 people have been evacuated from a building on Northbourne Avenue, Civic, following reports of a gas leak.

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## Environment

### **Interview with Michael Mulvaney, ecologist**

**ABC Radio Canberra, Drive, 05/02/18 06:08PM, Laura Tchilinguirian**

Interview with Michael Mulvaney, ecologist, on the project seeking to help protect superb parrot. Tchilinguirian says the project is a collaboration between the ACT Government, ANU researchers, and the Australian Museum. Mulvaney says the superb parrot is very beautiful. He says they started breeding in Canberra in 2009. He says they came to Canberra because of climate change. He says they are experiencing lack of hollows to live in. He says the Australian Museum has an amazing site called DigiVol where people can help analyse what are the animals doing in the images on the site.

### **Interview with Clinton McAlister, Branch Manager of Works Delivery, Evoenergy.**

**ABC Radio Canberra, Drive, 05/02/18 04:06PM, Laura Tchilinguirian**

Interview with Clinton McAlister, Branch Manager of Works Delivery, Evoenergy. Compere says helicopters will start patrolling the skies over Canberra from tomorrow morning, as Evoenergy introduces chopper patrol over the next four weeks for the annual bushfire mitigation and safety maintenance program. McAlister says the program aims to ensure a clear view of all vegetation that could encroach onto power lines and potentially start a fire. He adds that the patrol aims to survey assets from the air. He reveals that they will be looking at vegetation growing too close to power lines. He adds that they will be using digital photography to capture the top of poles and inspect decay caused by the weather. He mentions that they will be covering over 2000kms this year. He explains that they patrol all of lines in rural areas, as well as those within urban fringes, every year. He adds that they also perform an urban patrol every year. He says people can see updates about flight plans and affected suburbs on their Twitter page and website. He reveals that they will be responding immediately to critical assets or vegetation encroached onto power lines. He adds that they will be working with land owners of those with affected private properties, or the ACT Government to have the trees cleared.

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## Health

### **ACT Health has released a series of videos to promote healthy eating across the capital**

**WIN Canberra, WIN News, 05/02/18 06:06PM, Kerryn Johnston and Amy Duggan**

As students return to school, ACT Health has released a series of videos to promote healthy eating across the capital. As part of the Fresh Taste Initiative, the video has come as the Government looks to change the eating culture in schools. Dr Paul Dugdale, Acting ACT Chief Health Officer, says

the program has really changed the way kids think about and engage with food. The program is in more than 90 ACT schools involving 40,000 children.

#### **Interview with Steve Robson, President, Australian Medical Association ACT**

**2CC, Canberra Live, 05/02/18 05:27PM, Rod Henshaw**

Interview with Steve Robson, President, Australian Medical Association ACT. Henshaw says new study has revealed children, whose mothers were prescribed with antibiotics during pregnancy, face up to 20% higher risk of being hospitalised for infections. He explains these antibiotics can affect the immune development of children, leaving them more prone to infection. He says the study was made by Australian and Danish researchers and it was published in the International Journal of Epidemiology. Robson comments it is a very interesting study. However, he comments that the times when the antibiotics were prescribed were quite different as some were from more than 20 years ago. He thinks back then, different criteria on prescribing antibiotics exist. He says one of the issues with the study is that it never determined the reason why antibiotics were prescribed for the mothers. He says the clear message here is that people need to discuss with their doctors whether they really need to take antibiotics or not.

#### **Canberra researcher calls for tax hikes on baby formula, financial incentives for mums to breastfeed**

**Canberra Times, Other, 05/02/18 07:42PM, Daniella White**

A Canberra researcher has called for an end to tax breaks on baby formula, with the federal government to instead provide incentives for mums who breastfeed.

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### **Industrial Relations**

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### **Land, Planning and Urban Renewal**

#### **ACT leaders have traded political punches following an increase of 0.75% in land taxes for foreign investors**

**ABC, ABC News, 05/02/18 07:03PM, Dan Bouchier**

ACT leaders have traded political punches following an increase of 0.75% in land taxes for foreign investors. The rise is intended to tilt the market in favour of local buyers. It's more measured than surcharges in NSW, but some question how much it's needed. The Opposition would rather see land released, but focused much of its criticism today on the international itinerary of Chief Minister Andrew Barr. The Government will spend the next few days focusing on twigs to policy ahead of next week's budget review and a revamped Opposition will be settling into new roles.

*Similar coverage also appeared on Sky Business News and ABC Radio Canberra.*

**It is expected that there will be further delays to the NBN rollout in Canberra's south. According to the latest data, some suburbs in Tuggeranong and the Inner South are likely to be waiting for a co**

**Southern Cross ACT, Nine News Canberra, 05/02/18 06:15PM, Newsreader**

It is expected that there will be further delays to the NBN rollout in Canberra's south. According to the latest data, some suburbs in Tuggeranong and the Inner South are likely to be waiting for a connection well into next year. Gai Brodtmann, Federal Labor MP, has called on the Communications Minister and NBN Co to provide answers. Several suburbs in the ACT are dealing with some of the slowest internet speeds in the country.

*Similar coverage also appeared on ABC Radio Canberra.*

#### **Canberra Liberals: Andrew Barr's overseas jaunts 'contradictory' after land tax hikes**

**Canberra Times, Other, 05/02/18 05:42PM, Katie Burgess**



ACT Opposition leader Alistair Coe says the territory government's increase of land tax for foreign home buyers is 'contradictory', given Chief Minister Andrew Barr's overseas jaunts to sell the territory to investors.

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## Law & Order

### **The annual Barton Blitz has kicked off**

**Southern Cross ACT, Nine News Canberra, 05/02/18 06:15PM, Newsreader**

The annual Barton Blitz has kicked off today. The campaign is aimed at reducing injury and death on roads. There will be an increased police presence between Canberra and Yass, targeting speedy or risky behaviour. According to a Barton Highway study, a large of number crashes on the stretch last year were preventable.

### **ACT Government says the victims of a man convicted of child sex offences have been placed on a no-contact register**

**ABC Radio Canberra, 18:00 News, 05/02/18 06:00PM,**

The ACT Government says the victims of a man convicted of child sex offences have been placed on a register not allowing him to contact them. Spokeswoman for ACT Corrections Minister Shane Rattenbury says the family was not on the non-contact register which is an opt-in system.

### **A 30yo Canberra man has been charged with child exploitation**

**hit104.7 Canberra, 16:00 News, 05/02/18 03:57PM, Newsreader**

A 30yo Canberra man has been charged with child exploitation after police have allegedly found child pornography material.

*Similar coverage also appeared on 2CC.*

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## Ministers and Opposition MLAs

### **Canberra Liberals have had a cabinet reshuffle ahead of the first sitting week for 2018**

**Southern Cross ACT, Nine News Canberra, 05/02/18 06:13PM, Newsreader**

The Canberra Liberals have had a cabinet reshuffle ahead of the first sitting week for 2018. Alistair Coe, Opposition Leader, and his team have vowed to tackle issues that he says are not being addressed by the ACT Government. Coe has added Innovation to his suite of portfolios. Nicole Lawder, Deputy Leader, will take on Urban Services, which was previously held by the late Steve Doszpot. Elizabeth Lee will add Education to her existing portfolio. Candice Burch will take on Transport and Public Sector Manager. Coe has today criticised a land tax increase for foreign investors. Andrew Barr, ACT Chief Minister, has argued that his overseas travel has been in pursuit of commercial ties. The ACT Government is looking to legislate a local jobs code to replace its controversial memorandum of understanding with Unions ACT. Rachel Stephen-Smith, ACT Industrial Relations Minister, says it is about ensuring that workers who are employed under government contracts are paid fairly and have their industrial rights upheld.

*Similar coverage also appeared on WIN Canberra.*

### **Interview with Alistair Coe, Canberra Opposition leader.**

**2CC, Canberra Live, 05/02/18 03:11PM, Rod Henshaw**

Interview with Alistair Coe, Canberra Opposition leader. Henshaw says Member for Kurrajong Candice Burch has been named in the reshuffle shadow ministry. Coe says Burch will take on the Shadow portfolios of transport and public sector management which will focus on Government accommodation plans and in-house matters in the ACT. He adds the reshuffle is done after Steve Doszpot's death. He argues the transport portfolio is now in a different stage when it comes to rail ways. He hopes the Government will release the full plans for light rail and transport in Canberra over 10 to 20 years so as to have vision on what changes are coming. He says the Doszpot's urban services portfolio will be held by Nicole Lawder as well as seniors and heritage. Her planning



portfolio has been given to Mark Parton while the education portfolio is being split to Elizabeth Lee and Andrew Wall. [cont]

**Continuing interview with Alistair Coe, Canberra Opposition leader.**

**2CC, Canberra Live, 05/02/18 03:15PM, Rod Henshaw**

Coe insists the Liberals have made a progress tackling integrity issues with the unwinding of the LDA. Henshaw argues nothing much has changed. Coe says it is hard to push the Barr Government to take action with the tight coalition of Labor and Greens. Henshaw notes the Barr Government seems to have a hold on them. Coe says they will be tackling a number of issues this year which is a part of their big agenda. He reckons there are a lot of back-to-basics matters that should be discussed in Canberra. [cont]

**Continuing interview with Alistair Coe, Canberra Opposition leader.**

**2CC, Canberra Live, 05/02/18 03:18PM, Rod Henshaw**

Henshaw asks Coe on his thoughts about the Master Builders Association and the announcement over the weekend about local jobs. Coe says it is establishing the relationship with unions by putting them into the front row. He adds the Government putting special tax on foreign investment is 'crazy'. He mentions the Government has demanded builders in Canberra to develop apartment buildings and they are trying to take the bias away from the apartments. He says the city has a land affordability problem. Henshaw says a lot of people are going to Queanbeyan to set up homes. Coe notes the NSW Government and the Queanbeyan City Council are competing. He mentions the Yass Valley Council and Googong. He says ACT is driving people away with rates, land taxes, and stamp duty regime. He wonders how it is possible that a 400 sqm block costs \$400,000 when Canberra has acres of land. He says land price issues are brought about by Labor Government. [cont]

**Continuing interview with Alistair Coe, Canberra Opposition leader.**

**2CC, Canberra Live, 05/02/18 03:21PM, Rod Henshaw**

Coe says he will back up their team if it will be pitched up against the other side given their life experience. He talks about Labor's cookie-cutter approach in choosing candidates. He says Liberals are consisting of people who have been migrants and craved better opportunities for their families. He notes people are going over the border of NSW because it is getting harder to take risks in Canberra.

**Petrol stations hiding the price of petrol**

**2CC, Canberra Live, 05/02/18 05:53PM, Rod Henshaw**

Henshaw says some callers have discussed petrol stations that insist on hiding or not publicly revealing the prices of petrol on the boards. He says in NSW, it is required for petrol stations to display prices of their products. He says there is a move to make it mandatory in the ACT but the Liberals didn't back it, as well as the Labor Party. He says the Greens' Shane Rattenbury is the only one who supported it.

**Who are the winners in the Canberra Liberals' reshuffle?**

**Canberra Times, Other, 05/02/18 05:25PM, Katie Burgess**

A week out from the ACT's parliament resuming, Canberra Liberals' leader Alistair Coe has unveiled his new look shadow ministry, with a few big promotions in a mostly unchanged line-up.

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## Transport and Roads

**Interview with Dorina Pojani, Senior Lecturer in Urban Planning, University of Queensland, and Jeff Ibbotson, vice-president, ACT Pedal Power**

**ABC Radio Canberra, Drive, 05/02/18 05:06PM, Laura Tchilinguirian**

Interview with Dorina Pojani, Senior Lecturer in Urban Planning, University of Queensland, and Jeff Ibbotson, vice-president, ACT Pedal Power, about cycling and walkways in Canberra. Tchilinguirian says Pojani was one of the five authors of an article on The Conversation that's concluded that Australian cities aren't the 'walking and cycling meccas' they like to think they are. Pojani says the national average of bicycle commuting is very tiny making only two to five percent. She says the average of bicycle commuting in the ACT is slightly higher than the rest of the country. She says they used the Census data in their research. She says Europe is far ahead of Australia when it comes to cycling rates. She says the number one reason for the low turnouts is infrastructure. She says we need to have really good bicycle networks. She says funding remains low for cycling infrastructure. Ibbotson says the figures are not surprising at all. He says political support is really crucial in advancing cycling rates in the city. He says the [ACT] Government is doing what it can but it could be doing a lot better. He says Shane Rattenbury and Meegan Fitzharris are supportive of cycling. He says cycling facilities should be maintained [cont].

**Continuing interview with Dorina Pojani, Senior Lecturer in Urban Planning, University of Queensland, and Jeff Ibbotson, vice-president, ACT Pedal Power**

**ABC Radio Canberra, Drive, 05/02/18 05:17PM, Laura Tchilinguirian**

Continuing interview with Dorina Pojani, Senior Lecturer in Urban Planning, University of Queensland, and Jeff Ibbotson, vice-president, ACT Pedal Power, about cycling and walkways in Canberra. Tchilinguirian reads a correspondence from Marilyn saying distances in Australia are a lot greater than in Europe. Ibbotson says the Government is doing some work on that with Park and Pedal and bike racks on buses as some of the initiatives [cont].

**Continuing interview with Dorina Pojani, Senior Lecturer in Urban Planning, University of Queensland, and Jeff Ibbotson, vice-president, ACT Pedal Power**

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Continuing interview with Dorina Pojani, Senior Lecturer in Urban Planning, University of Queensland, and Jeff Ibbotson, vice-president, ACT Pedal Power, about cycling and walkways in Canberra. Tchilinguirian reads an SMS from Tony saying there's no mention of redneck attitudes against cyclists. Pojani says we need to put that antagonism behind us. He suggests putting separated facilities for cyclists around the Lake [Burley Griffin]. He says the Government is currently working on a separated cycleway to get to Belconnen between the university and the town centre.

**Canberra light rail is looking for drivers and conductors**

**hit104.7 Canberra, Breakfast, 05/02/18 07:54AM, Ned and Josh**

Ned says Canberra light rail is looking for drivers and conductors. Josh says candidates do not prior experience to apply for the job. He says it reminded him of an episode from the Simpsons. Ned says he's considering earning additional income through Uber, but his car's too old. They say people should stop listening to music through iPhone speakers or consider attaching headphones.

**Canberra cycling numbers only OK... just like the rest of Australia**

**ABC Online, Other, 05/02/18 07:23PM, Laura Tchilinguirian**

Canberra likes to think we like to think we lead the country when it comes to cycling and our network of bike paths, but it turns we're really not that much better at all.

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- > [Citizen's jury flawed: report](#)

## ABC Radio Canberra's News Headlines:

- > Ministers and MPs have marked Safer Internet Day by signing a pledge on Parliament House that they'll show respect online. Thousands of school children across the country are also participating in internet safety classes today as part of the event rolled out by the eSafety Commissioner's office.
- > Both houses of Parliament will sit from midday today. PM Malcolm Turnbull's having a party room meeting while Opposition leader Bill Shorten's attending an ovarian cancer breakfast.
- > ACT high schools will get their Chromebook devices from today. It's part of the \$70m promise made by the ACT Government during the last election. The devices will allow parents to check if their children have homework through Google Classroom.

- > The ACT Government is being urged to introduce real time fuel price monitoring like NSW.
- > The Australian Fed Cup tennis team is in Canberra ahead of the first round against Ukraine. Daria Gavrilova and Ash Barty will hit the first balls on a grass course at the Canberra Tennis Centre today.

### **A summary of ACT Government media coverage**

#### **Canberra Community**

- > The **Canberra Times** reports that a new report from ANU Associate Professor Dr Ron Levy has recommended fundamental changes to the ACT's first citizen's jury. The report found that the close involvement of expert decision-makers in the jury's deliberation stages risked undermining the autonomy of jurors. [Also prospected to Themes: *Ministers and Opposition MLAs*]

#### **Education**

- > The **Canberra Times** reports that ACT children are heading off to their first day of school. North Ainslie Primary, which was visited by Education Minister Yvette Berry, has the unusual challenge of teaching five sets of twins. [Also prospected to Themes: *Ministers and Opposition MLAs*]

#### **Land, Planning and Urban Renewal**

- > The **Canberra Times** reports that ACT Opposition Leader Alistair Coe has called the government's increase of land tax for foreign home buyers "contradictory", as Chief Minister Andrew Barr went on several trips last year to attract new investment to the ACT. Mr Barr disagreed, stating that the point of the trips was to encourage investment that created jobs, not "to spruik buying units in Canberra". [Also prospected to Themes: *Economic Growth & Diversification, Supporting Families, Ministers and Opposition MLAs, and Transport & Roads*]

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#### **Citizen's jury flawed: report**

**Canberra Times, General News, 06/02/18, Katie Burgess, page 1**

The A.C.T. Changes called for after CTP experiment A new report has cast doubt on the impartiality of the ACT's first citizen's jury, recommending fundamental changes if the exercise in deliberative democracy ever happens again.

#### **'It tells us who we are': Poh's love of Aussie food**

**Canberra Times, Good Food, 06/02/18, page 1**

There was a time when Poh Ling Yeow thought meat and three veg was the height of exoticism when it came to eating. The 2009 Masterchef Australia runner up, TV chef and cookbook author got her start in the kitchen quite late in life, when she moved out of home and married early.

#### **Festival shows off our fun side**

**Northside Chronicle (Canberra), General News, 06/02/18, page 4**

What do Nordic folk dancing, African food and writer Poh Ling Yeow have in common? They'll all be featuring at the upcoming Canberra Multicultural Festival. One man who would have been proud of our colourful festival was King O'Malley, a member of the first Australian parliament who was a great champion for Canberra.

#### **Enlighten to expand**