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Sent by email: tristan.rust@parliament.sa.gov.au

Dear Ms Cook

Freedom of information application

I refer to your application under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the Act), received by the Office of the Minister for Human Services on 26 June 2018 seeking access to:

Copies of any and all documents (including but not limited to physical and electronic material) regarding DHS Signed Briefing by Minister Lensink 18MHS/0034.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination. Two documents were located relevant to the scope of your application, and I have determined to release all documents in full.

Please find enclosed a copy of the documents, and a document schedule containing a brief description of the documents.

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published on the agency's disclosure log. A copy of PC045 can be found at <http://dpc.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/services-for-government/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Amanda Hockings, Office Manager, on telephone 8463 3388 or by email at amanda.hockings2@sa.gov.au. If you disagree with publication, you will need to advise the Office Manager within two weeks of the date of this determination.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Hockings', written in a cursive style.

Amanda Hockings
ACCREDITED FOI OFFICER

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SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS – MCOR/0018

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No	Author	Addressee	Date	Description of document	Determination	Reason
1.	Youth Justice, Department of Human Services	Minister for Human Services	11 April 2018	Briefing – Invitation to attend a meeting to discuss a pilot for delivery of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award in Youth Justice	Released in full	No exempt material
2.	Duke of Edinburgh's International Award	Minister for Human Services		Invitation – Discussion on a pilot for the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award in Juvenile Justice in South Australia	Released in full	No exempt material




TO MINISTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES

RE: INVITATION TO ATTEND A MEETING TO DISCUSS A PILOT FOR DELIVERY OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD IN YOUTH JUSTICE

Decision/action required by:...../...../.....
 Reason:.....

Recommendation	Response
1. That you note the content of this briefing in relation to delivery of the Duke of Edinburgh International Award program in Youth Justice.	Approved / Not Approved / Noted

<p>Comments:</p> <p>CE to advise re couple meet action / f/up</p>	 Hon Michelle Lensink MLC 27/4/2018
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KEY POINTS

- You have been invited by Helen Connolly, Commissioner for Children and Young People, to a meeting to discuss a pilot for the delivery of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award (the Award) in youth training centres and links to other youth development policy initiatives. The meeting is to be held on Wednesday 18th April 2018, 11.00am to 12.30pm at Wakefield House. Full details are provided in the invitation (Attachment 1).
- The meeting will be attended by His Royal Highness, Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex KG GCVO and Mr Peter Kaye, Chief Executive Officer of the Duke of Edinburgh International Award.
- Currently, the Award is being delivered to residents of the AYTC through the Hoops 4 Life Program. This Program is provided by a non-government organisation, funded through the Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) and delivered in partnership with the Youth Education Centre (YEC) onsite at the AYTC.
- To date, 31 AYTC residents have been involved with the Hoops 4 Life Program and seven of these young people are registered to participate in the Award.

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DISCUSSION

The Minister for Youth held the South Australian state licence for the Award until 1 January 2014. After which time, the Award transitioned from State Government responsibility to the Duke of Edinburgh International Award – National Office. This was the result of a number of reviews which concluded that continuing to deliver the model within government was unsustainable.

In early 2017, two representatives from the Duke of Edinburgh International Award – South Australian met with the Deputy Principal of the YEC in the AYTC to discuss delivery of the Award to AYTC residents.

After this meeting, Youth Justice and the YEC identified a number of challenges to delivery of the Award in the AYTC, including: the average length of stay in the AYTC is too short to achieve any level of the Award or significant progress, low literacy and numeracy levels of residents require this to be a priority focus, limited staff resources to deliver the Award program and limited ability for participants to access adequate support to continue the program in the community upon release. Options to overcome these challenges were explored and included a partnership with Hoops 4 Life to support a joint approach to deliver the Award to residents within the AYTC and upon transition back into the community.

Through delivery of the Hoops 4 Life Program, residents of the AYTC can now participate in the Award. The Program is delivered twice a week and groups are limited to 20 participants (two groups of 10 young people).

The Deputy Principal of the YEC has advised that as the Hoops 4 Life Program continues in the community and operates within a defined metropolitan geographical area, it may exclude young people who reside in country and remote areas from participating.

The Hoops 4 Life Program is specifically designed to re-engage young people who are involved in disruptive choices that threaten their prospect of achieving an education and the benefits of being a positive contributor to their community. The Program promotes wellbeing by inspiring, engaging and empowering young people through the game of basketball (Hoops). Through their involvement in the program participants learn how to develop, enhance and maintain skills in:

- Effective communication
- Goal setting
- Problem solving and decision making
- Emotional control
- Motivation, habits, conditions and attitudes

These learnings are demonstrated and applied in the game of basketball and young people are given tools to assist them in transitioning these new skills into their personal and school lives.

Hoops 4 Life Program Links to the Award Framework

The Award framework is delivered at three levels, bronze, silver and gold. As a starting point the program focuses on delivering the Bronze Medallion. Each student is required to participate in three areas of development to achieve their medallion (and SACE units). These are:

- Physical Recreation – Basketball training
- Skills – Identified in the Hoops 4 Life Training

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- Service – Assessed on how young people achieve progress through the Behaviour Support Framework Phases in the AYTC

When young people leave the AYTC they can continue to access the Hoops 4 Life community based programs delivered in two locations in the Northern and Southern metropolitan areas. This enables participants to continue their development and complete the requirements to achieve their Bronze Medallion.

Currently, the Hoops 4 Life Program is the only youth development program being delivered in the AYTC that links to the Award.

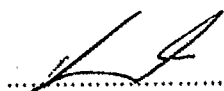
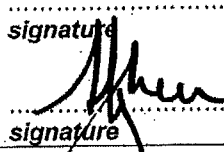
Youth Justice staff, including the Director, Youth Justice and General Manager, AYTC have been invited by Hoops 4 Life, on behalf of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award – Australia, to an event on 17 April 2018 to recognise the positive impact that the Award makes to young people. This event is also being attended by His Royal Highness, Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex KG GCVO.

BUDGET

Are there financial implications No
Is there a budget impact No
Is there an FTE impact No

Chief Financial Officer noted:.....

MEDIA/SENSITIVE: No

Division			
Director	Rohan Bennett	 signature	19/4/18
Executive Director	Michael Homden signature
Chief Executive	Tony Harrison	 signature	11/4/18

ATTACHMENTS

1. Invitation to the Minister for Human Services from Helen Connolly, Commissioner for Children and Young People

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Attended by His Royal Highness
The Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex KG GCVO
and on behalf of
The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award – Australia,
Helen Connolly, Commissioner for Children and Young People,
is delighted to invite

Hon Michelle Lensink

to the
**Discussion on a pilot for the Duke of Edinburgh's
International Award in Juvenile Justice in South Australia**

to discuss the application of the Award in youth training centres and
link to other youth development policy initiatives.

Date: Wednesday 18th April 2018

Time: 11:00am to 12:30pm

Venue: Wakefield House, Babbage Room

Level 4, 30 Wakefield Street, Adelaide

Dress: Business attire

RSVP: 4th April to Josephine Burke

via CommissionerCYP@sa.gov.au

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is a leading structured (non-formal education) youth development program, empowering all young Australians aged 14 to 25 to explore their full potential regardless of their location or circumstance. The Award is a fully inclusive program and has no social, political, or religious affiliations.

Prince Edward is Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Foundation