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Re: Freedom of Information Act application

In reference to your application made pursuant to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), access was sought to:

“1. Provide the SAPOL general orders/code of conduct with regards to interviewing someone suspected of a crime. 2. 1. Provide the SAPOL general orders/code of conduct with regards to interviewing someone suspected of a crime in front of others that are suspected of a crime.”

South Australia Police (SAPOL) has located a document that falls within the scope of your request. The document is numbered and described in the following schedule. The schedule contains the details of the determination in compliance with section 23. In particular, note the grounds on which access has been refused, including the reasons which are contained in the schedule.

SA POLICE - FREEDOM OF INFORMATION UNIT SCHEDULE				
No.	Document Description	Status	Clause(s)	Reason
1	General Order, Interviewing Suspects and Vulnerable Witnesses	Part Release	6(1)	The redacted text is a non-public facing land line telephone number. Release of this phone number has the potential for contact to be made with SAPOL employees who are otherwise unknown to the public and the nature of their employment can be of a secretive nature. Release of this number may result in the inadvertent release of personal affairs which could be used for an illegitimate purpose or sinister means should it be made available to the public. I therefore deem it unreasonable to release this information.



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No.	Document Description	Status	Clause(s)	Reason
			Out of Scope	<p>In assessing the overall structure of the document, I consider the document consists of standing orders relating to multiple different topics. Whilst the document does contain information relative to your application for access, I consider the remaining parts of the document to have no bearing on your application. The fact that the information you seek is contained in the document alongside other unrelated information is solely by virtue of the structure of the document.</p> <p>In my view, and with reference to the terms of the application for access, it would be appropriate to consider each part of the document under different headings as a chapter contained with a book. While the segments of the document are connected via a common theme, that is guidelines for interviewing, I consider it appropriate that each heading be treated as a different entry, similar to a chapter of a book, or an entry of a diary. Without creating a new document, provision of the document in redacted form is the most efficient manner in which to provide the document. I therefore consider the information not marked as out of scope to be the only information within scope of your request.</p>
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<p>Clause 6(1) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act which states:</p> <p><i>“A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead).”</i></p>				

Disclosure Log

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 SAPOL website Disclosure Log. A copy of PC045 can be found at https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Log-Policy.pdf. If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by **12 July 2023**.

Your rights to review

If you are dissatisfied with this determination, you are entitled to exercise your right of internal review in accordance with section 29(1) of the FOI Act by completing a PD362 Application for Internal Review form, which can be downloaded from <https://www.police.sa.gov.au/services-and-events/freedom-of-information> or available upon request at your nearest police station. Alternatively, an application may be made in writing to the SAPOL Freedom of Information Unit. This application must be lodged within 30 (calendar) days after you receive this letter with a fee of \$38.25, if applicable.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "K Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "K".

Senior Sergeant Kelly Johnson
Freedom of Information Unit
(Accredited Freedom of Information Officer)

13 June 2023