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02 JUN 2017

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600



Dear Minister

*Mathias*

Thank you for your letter of 31 May 2017 concerning an application for legal assistance by s47F [REDACTED].

I agree that the issues raised by s47F [REDACTED] are of public importance, particularly as they relate to class action litigation. Accordingly, I have decided to use my discretion under the *Commonwealth Guidelines for Legal Financial Assistance 2012* to provide a grant of up to \$100 000 (GST exclusive) to s47F [REDACTED] for the proceedings. A copy of my letter to s4 [REDACTED] solicitors is attached.

I am also bringing this decision to your attention for the purposes of paragraph 4.13(a) of the *Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines*.

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Dear s47F

I have considered your request of 1 June 2017 for a review of the decision by my department to refuse legal financial assistance for your client s47F.

I have decided to use my discretion under the *Commonwealth Guidelines for Legal Financial Assistance 2012* to provide a grant of up to \$100 000 (GST exclusive) to s47F for the initial proceedings as outlined in your application of 28 April 2017 and the request for review of 1 June 2017.

Officers from the legal financial assistance section in my department will contact you directly to provide further information on the grant, including a grant offer and terms and conditions of the grant for your acceptance.

The relevant officer in my department is s22, who can be contacted on s22.

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MINISTER FOR INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS

Reference: MS18-001049

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister *MATTHIAS*

I am writing to you in reference to annual reporting requirements for all Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries as outlined in Section 4.12 (a) of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017:

*Ministers (including Senators) must report annually to the Finance Minister on all instances where they have decided to approve a particular grant which the relevant official has recommended be rejected. The report must include a brief statement of reasons (i.e. the basis of the approval for each grant). The report must be provided to the Finance Minister by 31 March each year for the preceding calendar year.*

I wish to advise that in the 2017 calendar year there were four instances where I approved an Indigenous Advancement Strategy grant which the Department recommended be rejected. A Summary table outlining the details of this decision is enclosed.

Yours sincerely

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<u>CBMS programme title</u>	<u>Sub-programme</u>	<u>Project title</u>	<u>Grant recipient</u>	<u>Total grant value</u>	<u>Grant funding location</u>	<u>Postcode</u>	<u>Brief statement of reason for decision</u>
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Backstreet CCTV Security Cameras	Shire Of Derby West Kimberley  ABN: 99934203062	\$130,000	DERBY, WA	6728	This grant was approved as the installation of the cameras will increase the safety and security within the Derby community addressing the Government priorities of Safety and Wellbeing including; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Violence reduction and victim support</li> <li>• Safe and functional environments</li> <li>• Social and emotional wellbeing</li> </ul>
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.2 Children and Schooling	NASCA Remote Communities Education Engagement Strategy	National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (Aboriginal Corporation)  ABN: 66442463291	\$510,506	CANTEEN CREEK, NT  EPENARRA, NT  TI TREE, NT	2016	This grant was approved as NASCA's school engagement program utilises mentoring, life skills development, educational assistance, and a residential rewards program to encourage Aboriginal young people to increase their attendance and engagement in schooling across a full school year.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Project O in Roebourne	Big hART Inc  ABN: 56398434433	\$200,000	ROEBOURNE, WA		This grant was approved as it is a primary prevention project, working with Indigenous young women who are witnessing and experiencing family violence, assisting them to drive change in their community



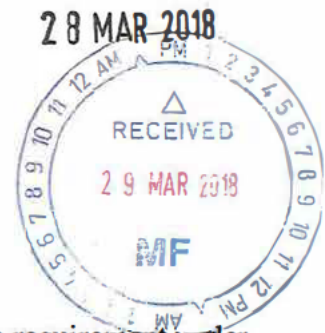
<u>CEMS programme title</u>	<u>Sub-programme</u>	<u>Project title</u>	<u>Grant recipient</u>	<u>Total grant value</u>	<u>Grant funding location</u>	<u>Postcode</u>	<u>Brief statement of reason for decision</u>
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.4 Culture and Capability	Recognise Campaign	Reconciliation Australia  ABN: 76092919769	\$1,000,000	NATIONAL	n/a	<p>This grant was approved to support building relationships of respect and trust between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and the wider community. The media advertising campaign during the 2017 National Reconciliation Week focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the 1967 referendum and the 25th anniversary of the Mabo decision,</li> <li>• Raising awareness of these historical milestones and educate the public on the importance of both the Constitution and big historical moments: and</li> <li>• Encouraging the Australian community to consider the next steps in the Reconciliation process.</li> </ul>



**The Hon Greg Hunt MP**  
**Minister for Health**

Ref No: MS18-000580

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
 Minister for Finance  
 Special Minister of State  
 Leader of the Government in the Senate  
 Parliament House  
 CANBERRA ACT 2600



Dear Minister

*Mathias*

Thank you for your correspondence of 12 December 2017 regarding the requirement under the Commonwealth Grants Framework to report any instances where Ministers have approved grants against departmental advice.

I am writing to notify you of grants that I have approved against departmental advice during the 2017 calendar year, as required by Section 4.12(a) of the *Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017*.

Please find enclosed the details of the grant and the reasons for my decision.

Yours sincerely

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Greg Hunt

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## Attachment B

### Annual Ministerial Report where a Minister has approved a Grant that was rejected by the relevant Department or Agency Staff

Program Title	Sub program	Project Title	Grant Recipient	Grant Funding Location	Total Grant Value	Postcode	Brief Statement of reason for decision
Grant Agreement to support Mothers' Milk Bank Charity		One off funding to assist in the operations of the Mothers' Milk Bank Charity	Mothers' Milk Banks Charity	Banora Point NSW	\$20,000	2846	<p>* Proposal was forwarded and supported by the Assistant Minister for Vocational Education and Skills, the Hon Karen Andrews.</p> <p>* Department advised that funding for milk banks was more appropriately a matter for local hospital networks and the Preventative Health and Chronic Disease Grant Program does not generally provide funding for service delivery activities.</p> <p>* Minister approved the grant on the basis of urgent current client need and because it fell outside the usual circumstances of such facilities (TBC).</p>



THE HON ANGUS TAYLOR MP  
MINISTER FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CYBERSECURITY

MS18-001386

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

*Mathias*

I am writing to you in reference to annual reporting requirements for all Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries as outlined in Section 4.12 (a) of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017.

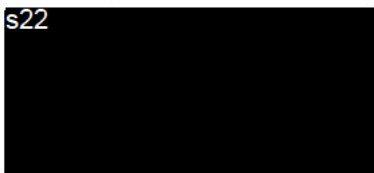
*Ministers (including Senators) must report annually to the Finance Minister on all instances where they have decided to approve a particular grant which the relevant official has recommended be rejected. The report must include a brief statement of reasons (i.e. the basis of the approval for each grant). The report must be provided to the Finance Minister by 31 March each year for the preceding calendar year.*

In the 2017 calendar year I approved one grant that was not recommended by the Assessment Committee in my previous capacity as the Assistant Minister for Cities, Under Round One of the \$50 million Smart City and Suburbs Program.

Details of the grant and information required to comply with the CGRGs is included in Attachment A.

Yours sincerely

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*28 / 3 / 2018*

**Attachment A**

<b>Grant Details</b>	
CBMS programme title	Outcome 1, Program 1.1 Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
CBMS programme title	Smart Cities and Suburbs Program
Project title	RailSmart Planning, Wanneroo
Grant recipient	University of Western Australia
Total grant value	\$500,000
Grant funding location	Wanneroo, WA
Statement of reason for decision	<p>Projects were assessed in two groups: 1) projects valued at less than \$1 million; and 2) projects valued at \$1 million and above.</p> <p>The total project value is exactly \$1 million, comprising of a grant and co-contribution of \$500,000. This project was assessed with the projects \$1 million and above and was not recommended by the Committee.</p> <p>The Project Guidelines set out the assessment process but were ambiguous as to the treatment of projects valued at exactly \$1 million.</p> <p>The project scored 66 out of 100 and satisfied all merit criteria, meaning that it would likely have been successful if assessed in the 'under \$1 million' category, but did not meet the higher threshold for successful projects in the \$1 million and above category.</p> <p>The then Assistant Minister for Cities indicated a preference to fund this project given this ambiguity and alignment with the objectives of a potential future Perth City Deal.</p>

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From: Lutze, Stephen [mailto:Stephen.Lutze@ag.gov.au]

Sent: Friday, 16 March 2018 4:24 PM

To: s22

Cc: s22

Subject: FW: Annual grants' reporting obligations - Grants approved where relevant entity has recommended rejection - due 31 March 2018 [DLM=Sensitive:Personal]

Importance: High

Sensitive: Personal

Dear s22

I refer to the requirement to report grants approved that are not recommended by the relevant official in accordance with the CGRGs, Section 4.12 a. Using the template provided in RMG 412, Attachment A provides a list of three grants that meet this criteria and were approved during the 2017 calendar year. You will note that these grants were approved in April and June 2017 by the then Ministers, Senator Brandis as Attorney-General and Minister Keenan as the Minister for Justice.

I note advice provided by Finance that the Department should submit a return despite both Ministers no longer occupying their respective portfolios (the Justice Portfolio was vacated in the 2017 Machinery of Government changes and Senator Brandis has left the Parliament). In accordance with that advice, I now submit the attachments for your consideration.

By way of supporting documents, referenced in Attachment A, I also include copies of the following:

- Submissions executed by Senator Brandis on 3 June and 18 December 2017 in relation to the grant to s47F [REDACTED].
- Statement of reasons executed by Minister Keenan on 11 April 2017 in relation to a grant to the South Croydon Cricket Club Inc.
- Statement of reasons executed by Minister Keenan on 22 June 2017 in relation to a grant to Dawn House Incorporated.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information with regard to the reporting requirements.

Regards

Stephen Lutze  
Chief Financial Officer  
Attorney-General's Department.

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**Attachment A – AGD report in compliance with CGRGs 4.12 a for calendar year 2017.**

<u>CBMS program title</u>	<u>Sub-program</u>	<u>Project title</u>	<u>Grant recipient</u>	<u>Total grant value</u>	<u>Grant funding location</u>	<u>Postcode</u>	<u>Brief statement of reason for decision i.e. why the Minister is approving a grant when agency recommended it not receive funding</u>
1.4 Justice Services	Financial assistance towards legal costs and related expenses	N/A	s47F	\$110,000 (inc GST)	Sydney, NSW	2000	Please see the attached Ministerial Submissions signed by the then Attorney General, Senator Brandis, on 3 June and 18 December 2017. Despite the Senator's undertaking at recommendation 2 of the December document, the department received no statement of reasons for the original decision to provide a grant to s47F in June 2017.
1.7 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund	The purchase and installation of CCTV Equipment Project	South Croydon Cricket Club Incorporated	\$21,000 (inc GST)	Melbourne VIC	3135	Please see the attached 'statement of reasons' signed by the then Minister for Justice, the Hon Michael Keenan, on 11 April 2017. The Minister refers to 'Industry', indicating the hub administering this grant program for AGD, in his statement that says "I wish to honour the original election commitment and expect Industry will work with the Club to develop a plan and project milestones within the funding agreement."
1.7 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund	Security upgrade for Dawn House Women's Shelter	Dawn House Incorporated	\$45,211 (inc GST)	Darwin NT	810	Please see the attached 'statement of reasons' signed by the then Minister for Justice, the Hon Michael Keenan, on 22 June 2017. The Minister refers to the 'Department of Industry', the hub administering this grant program for AGD, in his statement that says "Noting that this project has been completed in a manner consistent with the Government's election commitment, and that the Department of Industry's original advice to me was to recommend the project for funding, I expect the project to be funded in accordance with the original commitment."

## Safer Communities Fund – Delivery of Government's Election Commitments (Round One) – Grants Recommended for Withdrawal of Funding

No	Grantee Name	State / Territory	Total Funding Awarded	Total Funding (if changed)	Reasons for change
1	Dawn House Incorporated	NT	\$45,211	\$0	<p><b>Withdrawal of funding as project does not meet the eligibility requirements of the program.</b></p> <p>The Department of Industry, Innovation and Science is of the view that the project does not meet the eligibility requirements set out at sections 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 of the <i>Safer Communities Fund - Delivery of Government's Election Commitments Program Guidelines</i> (the SCF Guidelines).</p> <p>Sections 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 of the SCF Guidelines provide grant funds can only be spent on activities which take place after a grantee enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth, and that there will be no reimbursement of expenses incurred by an organisation prior to the funding agreement being executed. The Department of Industry, Innovation and Science has advised that the <i>Dawn House CCTV Upgrade Project</i> has been completed prior to the execution of a funding agreement.</p>


**Please note.** If you do not agree with the recommendation above we ask that you provide appropriate justification in the space provided below as to why you disagree with the recommendation. If you disagree with the recommendation you are required to make reasonable inquiries to determine that the expenditure would be a 'proper use' of relevant money and provide a brief statement of reasons (i.e. the basis of the approval). This requirement is consistent with sections 71(1) and 71(2)(a) of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (PGPA Act) and section 4.13(a) of the *Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines*. 'Proper' as defined in section 8 of the PGPA Act means 'efficient, economical and ethical'.

Noting that this project has been completed in a manner consistent with the Government's election commitment, and that the Department of Industry's original advice to me was to recommend the project for funding, I expect the project to be funded in accordance with the original commitment.

I, Michael Keenan, Minister for Justice, having regard to the information provided by the Attorney-General's Department within this submission, approve the aforementioned changes to the project for grant funding under the Safer Communities Fund.

This signature is given under the PGPA Act and I am satisfied that giving effect to this spending proposal is an efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of resources that is not inconsistent with the policies of the Commonwealth of Australia.

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Signed: 

Date: 2.6.17



## Safer Communities Fund Delivery of the Government's Election Commitments (Round One) Projects Not Recommended for Funding

The merit criteria are:

Criterion	Merit criterion	Minimum score required (out of 4)
MC1	How will your project contribute to improved community safety? a. provide a project description including detail about the equipment being installed b. provide a statement as to how the project will meet the program objectives.	2
MC2	The value for money offered by your project a. provide a budget for the project including equipment and installation costs b. provide a quote to show the costs of equipment and installation	2
MC3	Your capacity, capability and resources to carry out the project a. describe your plan for carrying out the project b. describe how the security equipment will be maintained c. if applicable, describe who will have access to the CCTV footage	2

	Applicant name and project title	Project description	Committed grant amount	Recommended grant amount	MC1 score	Reason for score	MC2 score	Reason for score	MC3 score	Reason for score	Recommendation	Risks and/or conditions (if supported)
1	SOUTH CROYDON CRICKET CLUB INC A12732* CCTV	Installation of CCTV to improve security of assets at the Cricket Club, including the clubrooms, its amenities, the cricket nets, the centre wicket and its surrounds and the scoreboard	\$21,000	\$0	2	The applicant provided a basic statement on how the project will meet the program objectives. There is adequate detail on what is being purchased/installed. The applicant provided a brief project description, which included a brief reference to CCTV security providing sufficient information to determine what equipment is to be installed and how this will contribute to improved security and community safety for its clients. The applicant stated that the installation of CCTV security would protect its assets, such as its clubrooms, which have previously suffered vandalism.	3	The applicant has provided good information demonstrating value for money for the project. The quote details costs for each item and the Project Budget offered a high level breakdown of equipment and installations costs. A detailed quote was provided which listed all equipment items to be purchased, and included installation costs. The quote was prepared for the Maroondah City Council, rather than the applicant. The site address in the quote, however, is the same as the location of the applicant's premises and the site address for the project; that is Cheong Park, Croydon.	1	Inadequate information has been provided about managing the project and maintaining the assets. The information provided does not clearly describe how the project will be managed and limited information is provided on asset maintenance. The applicant briefly states that the Maroondah City Council will coordinate the works and maintain the equipment but does not identify how this will happen. The applicant states who will have access to the CCTV footage, but not what policies govern access to this footage. There is a lack of detail regarding asset maintenance and not enough information to assess the viability of the project to deliver expected outcomes.	Not supported	This project has a potential indicated start date before 1 May 2017 and end date before 1 July 2017.
			\$21,000	\$0								

Please Note: If you do not agree with the recommendation above and wish to provide funding for the above project, you are required to make reasonable inquiries to determine that the expenditure would be a 'proper' use of relevant money and provide a brief statement of reasons (i.e. the basis of the approval). This requirement is consistent with section 71(1) and 71(2)(a) of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (Cth) and section 4.13(a) of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines. 'Proper' as defined in Section 8 of the PGPA Act means efficient, effective, economical and ethical.

You can provide your statement of reasons in the space below:

*I wish to honour the original ~~agreement~~ commitment and expect industry will work with the club to develop a plan and project milestones within the funding agreement*

Safer Communities Fund Delivery of the Government's Election Commitments (Round One) – Projects Not Recommended for Funding

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Signed: .....

Date: 11-4-17 .....



Sub No: MS17 001414

Date submitted to Office by AGD: \_\_\_\_\_

File No:

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## Public Interest and Test Cases Scheme (CPITC) - Review of Application

s47F

**Deadline:** 2 June 2017. The applicant requires a decision on the grant of financial legal assistance to commence legal proceedings that will prevent further action being taken against s47F. On 1 June 2017, Mr James Lambie requested this brief by phone and approved the due date.

**Recommendation:** I recommend that you:

1. note the department's assessment that the application for a grant of financial legal assistance under the CPITC is ineligible.

Note / Discuss

If you disagree with the department's assessment you have the discretion to make a grant of financial legal assistance under the CPITC or under another scheme of legal financial assistance. If you decide to exercise your discretion in making a grant of legal financial assistance you may:

2. approve a grant of financial legal assistance to the applicant under the CPITC, up to a value of \$100 000 (GST exclusive); or

Agree / Disagree / Discuss

3. approve a grant of legal financial assistance to the applicant under the Special Circumstances Scheme, up to a value of \$100 000 (GST exclusive) and

Agree / Disagree / Discuss

4. sign the attached letter (**Attachment A**) to the applicant's legal representative approving a grant of legal financial assistance.

Signed / Not signed / Discuss

5. note that under section 4.13 (a) of the *Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines* you must report annually any instances where you have approved a grant not recommended by relevant officials to the Minister for Finance, Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, including a brief statement of reasons for approving the grant.

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Discuss

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**Key Issues:** On 28 April 2017, the department received an application from s47F on behalf of its client s47F for a grant of financial legal assistance under the CPITC. The application was for \$100 000 (S e). The department assessed s47F application and it was deemed ineligible. s47F legal team was informed of the department's decision on 30 May 2017. A request to review this was sent to your office on 1 June 2017.



### Commonwealth Public Interest and Test Cases Scheme

Under section 3.8 of the *Commonwealth Guidelines for Legal Financial Assistance 2012* (the guidelines), the purpose of the CPITC is to provide financial assistance for entities that are party to legal action, if a decision in the action, in the opinion of the Attorney-General, will:

- settle an uncertain area or question of Commonwealth law, or
- resolve an important question arising under a Commonwealth law that affects the rights of a section of the public which is, or a group of individuals who are, socially or economically disadvantaged.

Section 1.5 (1) of the guidelines provides that "Grants under schemes covered by these guidelines are made at the discretion of the Attorney-General." In accordance with section 1.6 (2) of the guidelines, you have authorised officers within the department to make decisions on grants of legal financial assistance under the *Attorney-General's authorisations to decide applications for financial assistance* signed by you on 29 February 2016.

A copy of the guidelines is at **Attachment B**.

s47F CPITC application  
Summary of s47F case

s47F was a member of a group in representative proceedings in the s47F Court case, s47F. The case was settled with approval by the s47F Court in s47F contingent on a Settlement Deed. The Settlement Deed requires an acknowledgement by the group members that all loan deeds were valid and enforceable. Following settlement, a recovery action was commenced against the borrowers, including s47F.

One of the group members made a separate application to set aside the action on the basis that there was a genuine dispute as to whether this group member was entitled to raise an individual defence. On appeal, the s47F Court s47F s47F found that the group members are bound by the Settlement Deed and are not entitled to raise individual defences and cross-claims.

Based on these cases, s47F claims that there remains an undecided question at s47F, as to whether lead applicants in a class action may bind group members to a Settlement Deed, and whether group members may raise individual defences or cross claims despite the terms of a Settlement Deed.

#### *Departmental assessment of the application*

The department has determined that s47F application does not meet the eligibility requirements of the CPITC. The main issue in s47F case relates to s47F not Commonwealth law and as such is ineligible under the CPITC. In addition, the decision made in s47F addresses the issue of whether group members are bound by a settlement deed, as such there is not an uncertain question of Commonwealth law. Accordingly, the application for legal financial assistance was refused. The department's assessment of the application is outlined in **Attachment C**.

s47F legal team sent a request for a review of the department's decision to your office on 1 June 2017 (request at **Attachment D**). As the request for review was received on 1 June 2017 the Department has not had time to properly consider the request for review. However, it is noted that the review suggests the legal question is one of common law rather than s47F Commonwealth law. Matters of common law would also fall outside the scope of the CPITC.

### Special Circumstances Scheme

Section 3.10 of the guidelines establishes the Special Circumstances Scheme. The scheme is to provide financial assistance for an entity involved in legal action in special circumstances. Section 3.10 (2) provides that "Special circumstances include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (b) no scheme provides for financial assistance to the entity, but the Attorney General considers that there is a moral obligation on the Commonwealth to make a grant".

Previously, the moral obligation on the Commonwealth has been interpreted to be due to an action taken by the Commonwealth, however a broader interpretation is open. Additionally as the provision is not exhaustive, the

Attorney-General may decide that special circumstances exist in relation to a particular application.

Authority to make grants of legal financial assistance

In accordance with the High Court's decision in *Williams v Commonwealth of Australia and Ors [2014] HCA 23* (Williams No2) all Commonwealth spending programmes require a head of power under the Constitution as well as legislative authority. The legislative authority for the CPITC and Special Circumstance Scheme are contained in schedule 1AA of the *Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Regulation 1997* part 402.006. The objective of the scheme under this part is "To provide funding for legal costs and disbursements in proceedings involving Commonwealth law, or in circumstances that give rise to a special Commonwealth interest".

The Department has not sought legal advice as to whether there is a relevant head of power in relation to this matter or whether the circumstances give rise to a special Commonwealth interest. As such there is a risk that, if challenged, a court may find that a decision to provide funding in this matter is outside the Attorney-General's power.

Financial implications

A grant of financial legal assistance to s47F will total \$100 000 (GST exclusive). Funds are available under the *Financial Assistance towards legal and related expenses* appropriation.

AGD Clearing Officer: Cameron Gifford, First Assistant Secretary, Civil Justice Policy and Programmes Division, 6141 3119

Date Cleared: 02 June 2017

Branch Head: Kathleen Denley, Assistance Secretary, Legal Assistance Branch, 6141 4800, 0472 829 891

Dept Officer: s22

**Attachments:**

- Attachment A Letter to s47F legal representative
- Attachment B Commonwealth Guidelines for Legal Financial Assistance 2012
- Attachment C Recommendation note: s47F CPITC application
- Attachment D Request for a review of the outcome of CPITC application





Sub No: MS17-002586

Date submitted to Office by AGD: 9 NOV 2017

File No: 17/9227

## ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Commonwealth Public Interest and Test Cases (CPITC) scheme - s47F - additional grant application

Deadline: 1 s47F to allow the applicant to be advised of the decision before the next s47F hearing on s47F

## Recommendation: I recommend that you:

1. agree to refuse an additional grant of legal financial assistance for s47F under the CPITC scheme  
 Agreed (grant refused) / Not Agreed / Discuss
2. through the department, provide the s47F Finance a statement of reasons for your original decision on 3 June 2017 to provide a grant to s47F under the CPITC scheme, as required by section 4.12(a) of the *Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines*.  
 2. Provided / Noted / Discuss

If you agree with recommendation 1, I recommend you:

3. sign the attached letter (Attachment A) to s47F legal representative refusing a grant of legal financial assistance.  
 Signed / Not Signed / Discuss

If you do not agree with recommendation 1, you have the discretion to make a grant of legal financial assistance. If you decide to exercise this discretion you may:

4. approve an additional grant of legal financial assistance to s47F under the CPITC scheme, up to a value of \$51 834.48 (GST exclusive)  
 Approved / Not Approved / Discuss
5. sign the attached letter (Attachment B) to s47F legal representative approving a grant of legal financial assistance.  
 Signed / Not Signed / Discuss

If you approve an additional grant under recommendation 4 you must:

6. through s47F nt, provide the Minister for Finance your statement of reasons for approving the grant to s47F under the CPITC scheme, as required by section 4.12(a) of the *Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines*.  
 s22 s47F / Discuss

**Key Issues:** On 3 June 2017 you approved a grant of legal financial assistance to s47F under the CPITC scheme, up to \$100 000 (MS17-00141 s47F ment C). On 12 October 2017 you s47F at the scope of the grant covers costs associated with s47F proceedings and approved the payment of two invoices (MS17-002105, Attachment D). s47F requested additional funding to cover the legal costs of s47F matter. This submission seeks you s47F further application.

s47F matter is listed before a single judge of the s47F on s47F for a hearing of missal applications lodged by a number of the s. If s47F do not succeed, the

s47F is expected to decide whether the matter should be determined by the s47F, or whether the proceedings should first be prosecuted in the s47F or whether s47F should seek leave to appeal out of time to the s47F.

On 13 October 2017, an application on behalf of s47F for an additional grant of legal financial assistance was submitted to the department (**Attachment E**). The application requests additional funding to cover an overspend of the original grant of \$12 925.39, and an additional amount of \$38 909.10 for preparation and attendance at the s47F hearing. The application was incomplete until 1 November 2017, when s47F legal representative submitted invoices showing that the original grant was fully expended. As you were the decision maker for the original grant, the department considers it appropriate that you consider this application.

#### Commonwealth Public Interest and Test Cases Scheme

Under section 3.8 of the *Commonwealth Guidelines for Legal Financial Assistance 2012* (the Guidelines, **Attachment F**), the purpose of the CPITC scheme is to provide financial assistance for entities that are party to legal action, if a decision in the action, in the opinion of the Attorney-General, will:

- settle an uncertain area or question of Commonwealth law, or
- resolve an important question arising under a Commonwealth law that affects the rights of a section of the public which is, or a group of individuals who are, socially or economically disadvantaged.

Under section 5.1 of the Guidelines, the decision maker must also have regard to a number of factors including whether it is reasonable in all the circumstances to make the grant.

Section 1.5(7) of the Guidelines provides “Nothing in these guidelines affects or takes away the discretion of the Attorney-General to make a grant in any circumstances that the Attorney-General considers appropriate”.

#### Department’s assessment of s47F application submitted on 13 October 2017

The department considers it is not reasonable in all the circumstances to make the additional grant, as it considers the additional costs sought are excessive. As at 1 November 2017 the applicant has spent \$112 925.39 (GST exclusive) on legal representative costs for submissions, and two directions hearings for procedural issues. An additional \$38 000 is requested for additional work up to and including the one day hearing on procedural issues, including summary dismissal applications bought by a number of the defendants. The department considers that \$151 834.48 (GST exclusive) for this stage of the matter is excessive. Moreover, under section 8.12 of the Guidelines grant recipients are responsible for monitoring costs incurred to make sure that the grant amount is not exceeded, as it has been in this case.

s47F legal representative anticipates the matter will be referred to the s47F for a final hearing in the first quarter of 2018. It is likely that a further application for legal financial assistance will be submitted for that hearing.

#### Authority to make grants of legal financial assistance

In accordance with the High Court’s decision in *Williams v Commonwealth of Australia and Ors* [2014] HCA 23 (Williams No. 2) all Commonwealth spending programmes require a head of power under the Constitution as well as legislative authority. The legislative authority for the CPITC scheme is contained in schedule 1AA of the *Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Regulation 1997* part 402.006. The objective of the scheme under this part is “To provide funding for legal costs and disbursements in proceedings involving Commonwealth law, or in circumstances that give rise to a special Commonwealth interest”.

The department has not sought legal advice as to whether there is a relevant head of power in relation to this matter or whether the circumstances give rise to a special Commonwealth interest. As such there is a risk that, if challenged, a court may find that a decision to provide funding in this matter is outside your power.

#### Financial implications

Any additional grant of legal financial assistance to s47F will total up to \$51 834.48 (GST exclusive). Funds are available under the *Financial Assistance towards legal and related expenses* appropriation. If an additional grant of legal financial assistance is refused, s47F may need to make alternative arrangements to continue the s47F proceedings.



Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines

Under section 4.12(a) of the *Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines* you must report annually any instances where you have approved a grant not recommended by relevant officials to the Minister for Finance, including a brief statement of reasons for approving the grant. The department can provide this report on your behalf once the department has received your statement of reasons. The deadline for providing the report is 31 March 2018.

Comments made by s47F [REDACTED] legal representatives in directions hearings and submissions

s47F [REDACTED] counsel has raised your funding of this matter in the s47F [REDACTED] (see transcript excerpts at Attachment G).

AGD Clearing Officer: John Reid, A/g Deputy Secretary, Civil Justice & Corporate Group, 02 6141 3554

Date Cleared: 09 November 2017

Branch Head: Adam Nott A/g Assistant Secretary, Legal Assistance Branch, 02 6141 4800, 0472 829 891

Dept Officer: s22 [REDACTED]

**Attachments:**

Attachment A – Letter to s47F [REDACTED] legal representative refusing a grant

Attachment B – Letter to s47F [REDACTED] legal representative approving a grant

Attachment C – MS 17-001414 submission signed 3 June 2017

Attachment D – MS 17-002105 submission signed 12 October 2017

Attachment E – Application for additional legal financial assistance submitted 13 October 2017

Attachment F – *Commonwealth Guidelines for Legal Financial Assistance 2012*

Attachment G – Excerpts of comments made by s47F [REDACTED] legal representatives



**THE HON JOSH FRYDENBERG MP**  
**TREASURER**  
**DEPUTY LEADER OF THE LIBERAL PARTY**



Ref: MS19-000537

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance and the Public Service  
Vice-President of the Executive Council  
Leader of the Government in the Senate  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

I refer to the annual reporting requirements for all Ministers and Assistant Ministers under the Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines 2017.

During the reporting period 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018, records indicate there was one instance where a Treasury Portfolio Minister approved a grant which the agency administering the grant recommended be rejected. Details of the instance are outlined in Attachment A.

I have copied this letter to all Ministers in the Treasury Portfolio.

Yours sincerely

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THE HON JOSH FRYDENBERG MP

26 / 3 /2019

## Annual ministerial report where a minister has approved a grant that the relevant department or official recommended be rejected

<b><u>CBMS programme title</u></b>	<b><u>Sub- programme</u></b>	<b><u>Project title</u></b>	<b><u>Grant recipient</u></b>	<b><u>Total grant value</u></b>	<b><u>Grant funding location</u></b>	<b><u>Postcode</u></b>	<b><u>Brief statement of reason for decision</u></b>
Australian Financial Complaints Authority – additional funding		Establishment costs	Australian Financial Complaints Authority Limited	\$1.7 million	Docklands, VIC	3008	<p>The Government established the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA) to replace the Financial Ombudsman Service, the Credit and Investments Ombudsman and the Superannuation Complaints Tribunal.</p> <p>In April 2018, a one-off contribution to AFCA's establishment costs was considered necessary by the then Minister for Revenue and Financial Service the Hon Kelly O'Dwyer to assist the transition.</p>



MINISTER FOR INDIGENOUS AFFAIR



Reference: MS 19-000910

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
 Minister for Finance  
 Parliament House  
 CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

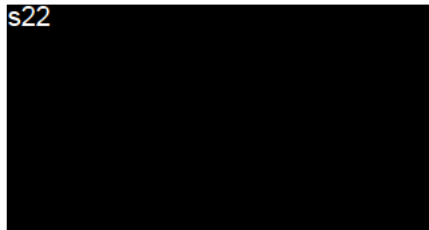
I am writing to you in reference to annual reporting requirements for all Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries as outlined in Section 4.12 (a) of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017:

*Ministers (including Senators) must report annually to the Finance Minister on all instances where they have decided to approve a particular grant which the relevant official has recommended be rejected. The report must include a brief statement of reasons (i.e. the basis of the approval for each grant). The report must be provided to the Finance Minister by 31 March each year for the preceding calendar year.*

I wish to advise that in the 2018 calendar year there were 17 instances where I approved an Indigenous Advancement Strategy grant which the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet recommended be rejected. A summary table outlining the details of this decision is enclosed.

Yours sincerely

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29 March 2019

Programme	Sub-programme	Project title	Graut recipient	Total grant value	Grant fnnding location	Brief statement of reason for decision
Outcome 2 Indigenou s	2.2 Children and Schooling	John Moriarty Football	Nangala Project Limited	\$600,000	Top End & Tiwi Islands	This project is a football engagement programme for 6-16 year old boys and girls in the communities of Bonoloola and Robinson River in Northern Tenitory and is an important service in the community. The Project will use sport as a vehicle for positive change to improve school attendance and achieve sustainable, healthier outcomes for families and connunities.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.2 Children and Schooling	JTBelieve - Indigenous School Engagement	JT Academy Pty Ltd	\$245,000	South Queensland	JTBelieve focuses on engaging Years 5-12 Aboriginal and Tones Strait Islander students and their families in education.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	After Hours Youth Service- Refenal and Data Services	Gap Youth and Community Centre Aboriginal Corporation	\$161,350	Central Australia	This project suppolts young people at risk of contact with the criminal justice system by working closely with Aboriginal and T01Tes Strait Islander youth and service providers across the region.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Nite Vision - Rebound To Success	Nintiringanyi Indigenous Corporation	\$150,000	Far North Queensland	The program engages with youth to connect them with support services needed to undertake reengagement, and provide pathways for the youth to break the cunent cycles of non-attendance at school and contact with the justice system.
Outcome 2 Indigenou s	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	John Moriarty Football	Nangala Project Limited	\$300,000	Top End & Tiwi Islands	This activity brings Indigenous children together through sport, promoting engagement, good health and wellbeing in some of the country's most remote regions.



Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Bama Cape York Services - Employment Support Services	Barna Cape York Services Ltd	\$127,273	Far North Queensland	The activity addresses an identified need in Cairns and surrounds for employment with culturally appropriate support services to overcome barriers to employment associated with alcohol and other drugs, social and emotional wellbeing, mental health and housing.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Program Logic Model Project - Esperance	CentreCare Incorporated	\$334,325	Greater Western Australia	This activity directly addresses an identified need in the town of Esperance for culturally accessible services including a focus on addressing family and domestic violence, alcohol and substance misuse and integrational trauma.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	BushMob Remote Outreach Support Program	Bushmob Aboriginal Corporation	\$727,486	Central Australia	This activity operates in Alice Springs, the town camps and nearby remote communities to provide casework support and training for young people and their families on alcohol and drug harm minimisation and safety and wellbeing.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Kullani Patrol (Increasing Work Readiness)	Mamabulaajin Aboriginal Corporation	\$220,000	Kimberley	The project will provide community patrol services in Broome and focuses on diverting Indigenous people away from contact with the criminal justice system.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.4 Culture and Capability	Sista to Sista Art Therapy Project	Interrelate Limited	\$81,000	Eastern New South Wales	Through Sista to Sista, women are empowered to work on processing traumatic experiences through art, while having greater access to vital services such as counselling and family support. This activity is delivered in partnership with Ghinni Ghinni Youth and Culture Aboriginal Corporation.

Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.5 Remote Australia Strategies	Pathway to Home Ownership Programm e	Wunan Foundation Inc	\$248,250	Kimberley	The provider uses Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) as the main finance body to deliver Joans to clients and delivers tailored support to help Aboriginal and ToJTes Strait Islander people in the Kimberley buying their own homes.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.1 Jobs, Land and the Economy	Delively of Community Development Programme (CDP) from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2022	Rainbow Gateway Limited	CDP funding <b>is outcome</b> based	North East Alice Region, NT	Rainbow Gateway Limited was considered to be stronger to deliver CDP.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.1 Jobs, Land and the Economy	Delivery of CDP from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2022	Mungoorbada Aboriginal Corporation	CDP funding <b>is outcome</b> based	Gulf Region, NT	Mungoorbada Aboriginal Corporation was considered to be stronger to deliver CDP, particularly in the extent to which it is local and representative of the local communities.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.1 Jobs, Land and the Economy	Delivery of CDP from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2022	The WilTpanda Foundation Limited	CDP funding <b>is outcome</b> based	Yaaliku Region, WA	The WilTpanda Foundation Limited was considered to be stronger to deliver CDP.
Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.1 Jobs, Land and the Economy	Delivery of CDP from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2022	The Kalano Community Association Incorporated	CDP funding <b>is outcome</b> based	Katherine Region, NT	The Kalano Community Association Incorporated was considered to be stronger to deliver CDP, particularly in the extent to which it is local and representative of the local communities.
Outcome 2 Indigenou s	2.1 Jobs, Land and the Economy	Delivery of CDP from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2022	Mokwiri Aboriginal Corporatio n RNTBC	CDP funding <b>is outcome</b> based	Western Cape Region, Qld	Mokwiri Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC was considered to be stronger to deliver CDP, particularly in the extent to which it is local and representative of the local communities.

Outcome 2 Indigenous	2.1 Jobs, Land and the Economy	Delivery of CDP from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 20 19	Central Desert Regional Council	CDP funding is outcome based	North West Alice Region, NT	Central Desert Regional Council was considered to be stronger to deliver CDP, particularly in the extent to which it is local and representative of the local communities .
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**The Hon Ken Wyatt AM, MP**  
**Minister for Senior Australians and Aged Care**  
**Minister for Indigenous Health**  
**Member for Hasluck**



Ref No: MS19-000383

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance and the Public Service  
Special Minister of State  
Leader of the Government in the Senate  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

  
Dear Minister

The *Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017* (CGRGs) require Ministers and Assistant Ministers to report to the Minister for Finance on all instances where they have decided to approve a grant which the relevant agency has recommended be rejected and grants that are approved in a Minister's own electorate. This report is required to be submitted by 31 March each year for the preceding calendar year.

I am writing to notify you of grants that I have approved against departmental advice and a grant approved in my own electorate during the 2018 calendar year, as required by Sections 4.12(a) and (b) of the *Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017*.

Please find enclosed the details of these grants and the reasons for my decisions.

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Ken Wyatt

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## Attachment A

### Annual Ministerial Report where a Minister has approved a Grant that was rejected by the relevant Department or Agency Staff

Program Title	Sub-program	Project Title	Grant Recipient	Total Grant Value	Grant Funding Location	Postcode	Brief Statement of reason for decision
Indigenous Australians' Health Programme (IAHP)	Targeted Health Activities	Sponsorship of 2018 Dreamtime Awards	No Limit Management	\$100,000.00 (GST excl)	Sydney, NSW	2000	Minister Wyatt noted this is a key initiative to promote the success of work being done to improve the health of Aboriginal people.
Indigenous Australians' Health Programme (IAHP)	Child & Maternal	Family Health and Wellbeing Framework	Children's Ground	\$4,961,737.00 (GST excl)	NT	0822 0870	Minister Wyatt noted the program is a comparative model worth implementing and his interest in how the model develops and is implemented by Aboriginal people.
Indigenous Australians' Health Programme (IAHP)	Primary Health Care Services	Dental Outreach Services	Geraldton Regional Aboriginal Medical Service (GRAMS)	\$462,221.00 (GST excl)	Midwest and Murchison regions of Western Australia		No reason provided
Indigenous Australians' Health Programme (IAHP)	Targeted Health Activities	IDEAS Van	Diamond Jubilee Partnerships Ltd	\$860,000.00 (GST excl)	East Brisbane, Queensland	4169	Minister Wyatt approved funding for the initiative for 12 months only, and directed the Department to negotiate the KPIs and have the duplication issue addressed.
Indigenous Australians' Health Programme (IAHP)	Targeted Health Activities	Community Engagement and Health Promotion.	Souths Cares Rabbitohs	\$189,360.00 (GST excl)	Redfern, NSW	2016	Minister Wyatt did not agree with Department's recommendation stating <i>"Previously funded by health messages and activities and have an impact upon the goals we seek to improve"</i>





**PAUL FLETCHER MP**  
Federal Member for Bradfield  
Minister for Families and Social Services

MB19-000251

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance and the Public Service  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister <sup>Mathias</sup>

Thank you for your letter dated 27 February 2019 concerning Ministerial Reporting obligations under the Commonwealth grants framework.

In accordance with paragraph 4.12 of *the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017* (CGRGs), I am notifying you that since I commenced as the Minister for Families and Social Services on 28 August 2018, and until 31 December 2018, I have not awarded a grant to a grant recipient where my Department officials recommended against it.

I can also report that the Hon Dan Tehan MP, in his capacity as the former Minister for Social Services, awarded two grants to grant recipients where my Department officials recommended against it. The details of these grants and the reasons for the decisions are in a table that I have included in this letter at **Attachment A** for your reference.

I have written to the Hon Dan Tehan MP, advising him that I am responding on his behalf.

Thank you for raising this matter with me.

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Paul Fletcher

31/03/2019

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## Department of Social Services 2018 Ministerial Reporting Obligations

Program Title	Sub-program	Grant Activity	Grantee	Total grant value	Grant funding location	Postcode	Brief statement of reason for decision
Strong and Resilient Communities (SARC)	Inclusive Communities	Aims to improve the social and economic participation of vulnerable and disadvantaged individuals	Multicultural Communities Council of SA Incorporated	\$487,278	Adelaide	5000	Ensures geographical coverage of the grants across Australia
Strong and Resilient Communities (SARC)	Inclusive Communities	Aims to improve the social and economic participation of vulnerable and disadvantaged individuals	The Migrant Resource Centre (Northern Tasmania) Inc.	\$465,850	Launceston	7250	Ensures geographical coverage of the grants across Australia

**Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie**

Deputy Leader of The Nationals  
Minister for Regional Services  
Minister for Sport  
Minister for Local Government and Decentralisation  
Senator for Victoria

Ref No: MS19-000257

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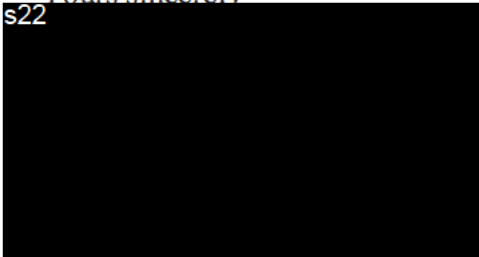
Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance and the Public Service  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

In accordance with requirements of paragraph 4.12 of the *Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines*, I am writing to notify you of three instances in the 2018 calendar year where I decided to approve a grant which the Department of Communications and the Arts recommended be rejected. My reasons for doing so are documented in the table attached.

Yours sincerely

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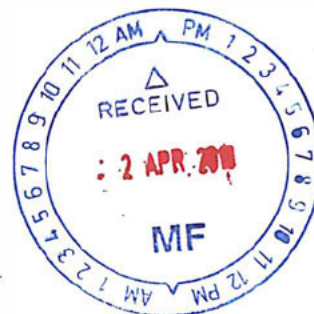
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Annual ministerial report 2018 calendar year - paragraph 4.12 of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines

<u>CBMS program title</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Grant Activity</u>	<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Total grant value</u>	<u>Grant funding location</u>	<u>Postcode</u>	<u>Brief statement of reason for decision</u>
Mobile Black Spot Program	Mobile Black Spot Program – Priority Locations round	GA ID: GA7530 To provide funding for investment in telecommunications infrastructure to improve mobile voice and data coverage across Australia.	Telstra Corporation Limited	\$39,584,760.00 (GST inclusive)  <b>Auxiliary power grant funding value is <u>\$840,000.00</u></b>	NSW, VIC, SA, WA, QLD, TAS	Multiple	<b>The grant value in question is only related to the costs for funding additional auxiliary back-up power, not the total grant value.</b> While the Department recommended that I agree not to fund additional battery back-up (auxiliary power) for funded solutions, based on the costs being assessed by the Department and their independent technical advisor as being reasonable and the relative public safety benefits of extended base station operation of up to 12 hours during a power outage, I was of the view that the benefits outweighed the small increase in costs.
Mobile Black Spot Program	Mobile Black Spot Program – Priority Locations round	GA ID: GA18491 To provide funding for investment in telecommunications infrastructure to improve mobile voice and data coverage across Australia.	Optus Mobile Pty Limited	\$5,524,512.00 (GST inclusive)  <b>Auxiliary power grant funding value is <u>\$123,144.00</u></b>	NSW, QLD, TAS	Multiple	<b>The grant value in question is only related to the costs for funding additional auxiliary back-up power, not the total grant value.</b> While the Department recommended that I agree not to fund additional battery back-up (auxiliary power) for funded solutions, based on the costs being assessed by the Department and their independent technical advisor as being reasonable and the relative public safety benefits of extended base station operation of up to 12 hours during a power outage, I was of the view that the benefits outweighed the small increase in costs.
Mobile Black Spot Program	Mobile Black Spot Program – Priority Locations round	GA ID: GA18492 To provide funding for investment in telecommunications infrastructure to improve mobile voice and data coverage across Australia.	Vodafone Hutchison Australia Pty Ltd	\$341,944.00 (GST inclusive)  <b>Auxiliary power grant funding value is <u>\$20,000.00</u></b>	VIC	3766	<b>The grant value in question is only related to the costs for funding additional auxiliary back-up power, not the total grant value.</b> While the Department recommended that I agree not to fund additional battery back-up (auxiliary power) for funded solutions, based on the costs being assessed by the Department and their independent technical advisor as being reasonable and the relative public safety benefits of extended base station operation of up to 12 hours during a power outage, I was of the view that the benefits outweighed the small increase in costs.



**The Hon Karen Andrews MP**  
**Minister for Industry, Science and Technology**



Min ID: MC19-000713

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance and the Public Service  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister *Mathias*

Thank you for your letter of 27 February 2019 concerning Ministerial Reporting obligations under the Commonwealth grants framework.

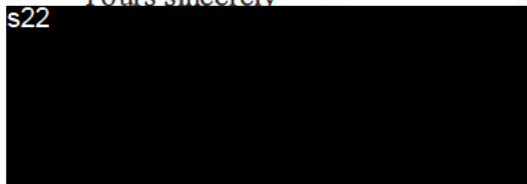
There have been no instances between 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 where I have decided to approve a grant which the relevant entity recommended be rejected.

There have also been no instances in 2018 where I have approved a grant in my own electorate of McPherson.

Thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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Karen Andrews

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**The Hon Michael McCormack MP**

**Deputy Prime Minister  
Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development  
Leader of The Nationals  
Federal Member for Riverina**

MC19-001329  
Ref: MS19-000526

-3 APR 2019

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

*M. McCormack*  
Dear Minister

In my capacity as Chair of the Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) Ministerial Panel, I write to inform you of funding approvals under Round Three in accordance with the requirements of Sections 4.11 and 4.12 of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines (CGRG's).

s34 [REDACTED]

In addition to myself as Chair, the Ministerial Panel members are:

s34 [REDACTED]

To satisfy the requirements of Sections 4.11(a) and (b) of the CGRGs, I am advising you that, of the 330 projects approved under Round Three of the BBRF, a total of 11 were chosen by the Ministerial Panel in the electorates of panel members:

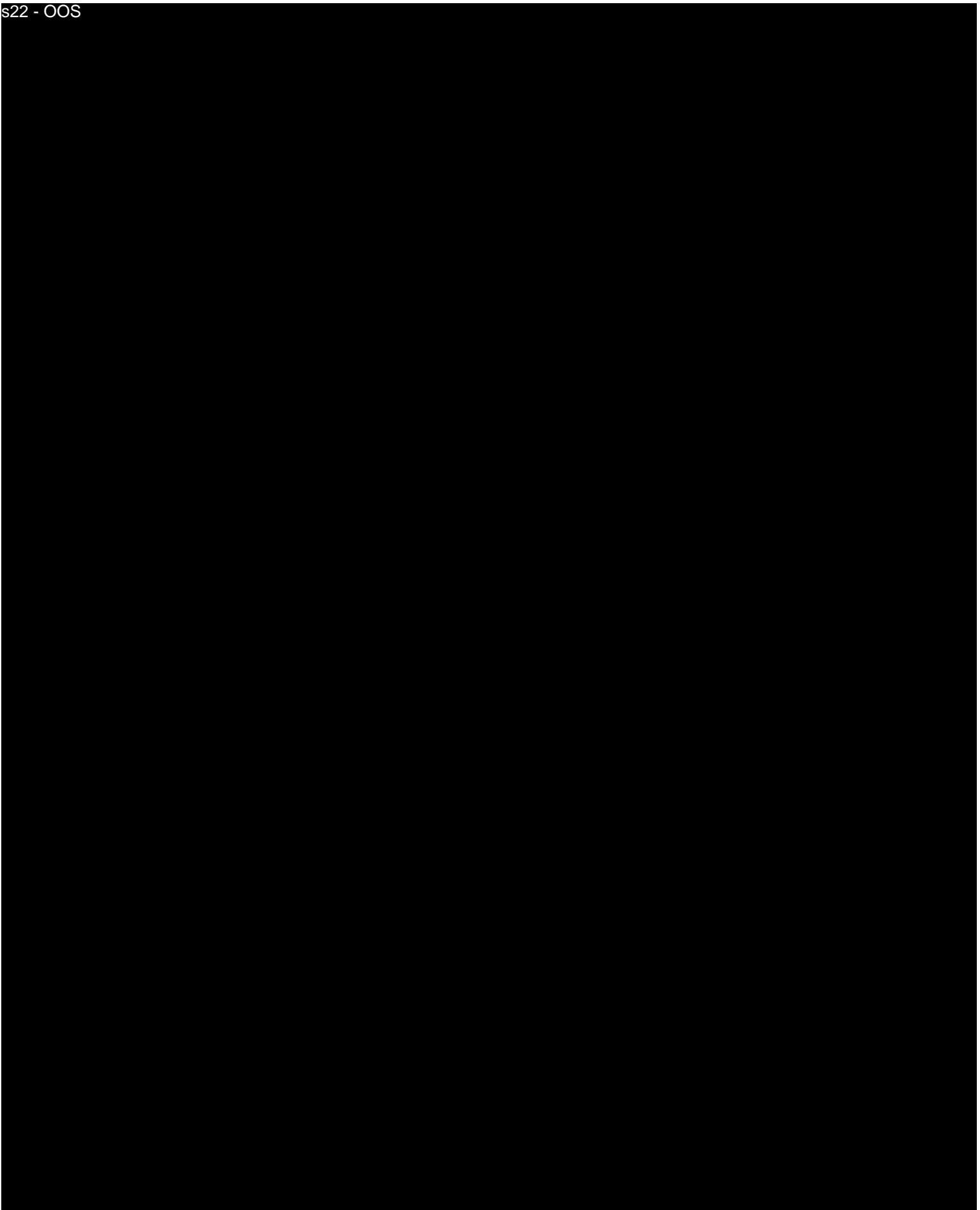
- five in my electorate of Riverina; and
- six in the electorate of s34 [REDACTED]

All of these projects were assessed by the AusIndustry Business Grants Hub as meeting value with relevant money in accordance with the approved program guidelines.

Details of these projects are listed in the table below.

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The Hon Michael McCormack MP  
Parliament House Canberra | (02) 6277 7520 | minister.mccormack@infrastructure.gov.au  
Suite 2, 11-15 Fitzmaurice Street, Wagga Wagga NSW 2650 | michael.mccormack.mp@aph.gov.au



To satisfy the requirements of Sections 4.12 of the CGRGs, I am advising you that, of the 330 projects approved under Round Three of the BBRF, a total of 112 as listed in Attachment A were chosen by the Ministerial Panel against the Department's recommendation. The Panel provided the following statement of reasons for these selections.

- *In relation to the projects selected, the panel took into consideration factors as set out in the BBRF Round Three Guidelines at Section 8.1. Based on the pool of applications submitted to the panel members for consideration, the regional spread of projects and funding across the regions relative to current and previous Australian Government investments, was a key factor in the selection process. Selected projects address key infrastructure priorities in each region, taking into account Australian Government priorities that align with the Government's intent of supporting regional Australia, focusing on economic growth and job creation. Each selected project impacts on their local community in a unique way and builds on their local, state and federal funding to contribute to the objectives of the BBRF.*

Please note that although not recommended by the Department, all the projects were assessed as Value with Relevant Money.

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Yours sincerely

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Michael McCormack

























**Senator the Hon Matthew Canavan**  
**Minister for Resources and Northern Australia**



MC19-000718

- 5 APR 2019

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance and the Public Service  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister *Mathias,*

Thank you for your letter of 27 February 2019 concerning Ministerial Reporting obligations under the Commonwealth grants framework.

There have been no instances between 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 where I have decided to approve a grant which the relevant entity recommended be rejected.

Thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely

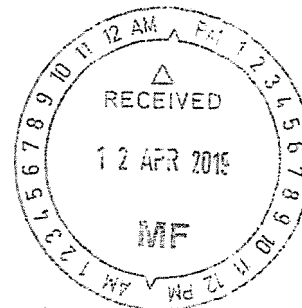
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Matthew Canavan



**THE HON PETER DUTTON MP  
MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS**



Ref No: MC19-005139

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance and the Public Service  
Senator for Western Australia  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

*Mathias,*  
Dear Minister

Thank you for your correspondence of 27 February 2019 concerning the 31 March 2019 deadline for reporting all instances where I have approved a grant that relevant agency officials recommended be rejected. I appreciate the time you have taken to bring this matter to my attention and apologise for the delay in responding.

I advise that as the Minister for Home Affairs, I have approved four grants that meet this requirement in the 2018 calendar year.

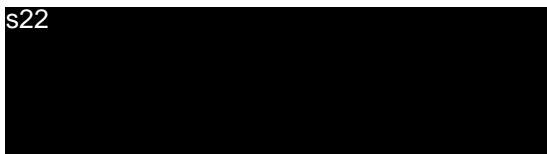
I further advise that the then Assistant Minister for Home Affairs, the Hon Alex Hawke MP, approved one grant that the relevant agency officials recommended be rejected during the 2018 calendar year.

Please find the listing of these instances attached.

Thank you for raising this matter.

Yours sincerely

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PETER DUTTON

*11/04/19*

**Minister for Home Affairs, Annual rejected grants approved report - 2018 Calendar Year**
**Attachment A**

CBMS programme title	Sub-programme	Project title	Grant recipient	Total grant value	Grant funding location	Postcodes	Brief statement of reason for decision
Safer Communities Fund	Round Three	Hobart Police and Community Youth Club Youth Worlds Program	Hobart Police and Community Youth Club Incorporated	\$229,144.30	Hobart, TAS	7000	The peak body in Tasmania was not available at the time of application. This project shows good value for money and supports the Fund's Intentions.
Safer Communities Fund	Round Three	Bridgewater Police and Community Youth Club Integrated Youth Support and Engagement Project	Bridgewater Police and Citizens Youth Club Incorporated	\$369,471	Bridgewater, TAS	7030	The peak body in Tasmania was not available at the time of application. This project shows good value for money and supports the Fund's Intentions.
Safer Communities Fund	Round Three	Burnie CBD CCTV Expansion	Burnie City Council	\$59,570	Burnie, Tasmania	7320	This project will assist the safety of the Burnie community.
Safer Communities Fund	Round Three	Installation of CCTV Systems in Wynyard and Somerset	Waratah-Wynyard Council	\$140,000	Wynyard and Somerset, Tasmania	7321 7322	This project will assist with the safety of the Wynyard and Somerset community.

**Assistant Minister for Home Affairs, Annual rejected grants approved report - 2018 Calendar Year**

CBMS programme title	Sub-programme	Project title	Grant recipient	Total grant value	Grant funding location	Postcode	Brief statement of reason for decision
Safer Communities Fund	Round Two	Upgraded Security - Beth Weizmann Jewish Community Centre	Beth Weizmann Jewish Community Centre	\$1,000,000	Caulfield, VIC	3162	Inquiries have determined that since DIIS assessment this project has been rigorously assessed by Victorian State Government and has met criteria substantially the same as Merit Criteria 2.





**The Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP**  
**Minister for Indigenous Australians**  
**Member for Hasluck**



Reference: MC20-000784

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
 Minister for Finance  
 Parliament House  
 CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

I am writing to you in response to your letter of 2 March 2020 regarding annual reporting requirements for all Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries as outlined in Section 4.12(a) of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017:

*Ministers (including Senators) must report annually to the Finance Minister on all instances where they have decided to approve a particular grant which the relevant official has recommended be rejected. The report must include a brief statement of reasons (i.e. the basis of the approval for each grant). The report must be provided to the Finance Minister by 31 March each year for the preceding calendar year.*

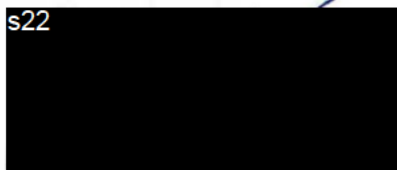
I wish to advise that in the 2019 calendar year there were no instances where I approved an Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) grant which the Agency recommended be rejected.

There were 30 instances where the former Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion, approved an IAS grant which the (then) Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet recommended be rejected.

There was one instance approved by the former Minister that was inadvertently excluded from the 2018 report. I have included it in this report to address that omission.

A summary table outlining the details of these decisions is enclosed.

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 e Hon KEN WYATT AM MP  
 Minister for Indigenous Australians

20 / 3 / 2020

**Decisions by the former Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion, in the 2019 calendar year**

<b>CBMS program title</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Project title</b>	<b>Grant recipient</b>	<b>Total grant value</b>	<b>Grant funding location</b>	<b>Postcode</b>	<b>Brief statement of reason for decision</b>
Outcome 2	2.1 Jobs, Land and Economy	Perth Indigenous Business and Employment Hub	Wirrpanda Corporation Ltd	\$9,249,000	PERTH, WA	6107	This grant was approved as there was a strong need for this service and Wirrpanda was best placed to deliver
Outcome 2	2.1 Jobs Land and Economy	CBIRS: Indigenous Ranger Coordinator Transition	Jali Local Aboriginal Land Council	\$13,609	BALLINA, NSW	2478	This grant was approved to support Indigenous Rangers
Outcome 2	2.1 Jobs, Land and Economy	Delivery of Community Development Program (CDP) Region 52	PeoplePlus Enterprises PTY LTD	Not applicable. Outcome-based funding.	MELBOURNE, VIC	3000	This grant was approved to deliver CDP in the Western Table Lands region in QLD
Outcome 2	2.2 Children and Schooling	Transformational Learning in Indigenous Communities - The Song Room Blended Program Trial Evaluation	The Song Room Limited	\$340,372	PRAHRAN, VIC	3180	This grant was approved for strategic activities focussing on getting children to school and improving education outcomes
Outcome 2	2.2 Children and Schooling	Marine Ranger Development Program	AFL Cape York Limited	\$250,000	CAIRNS, QLD	4870	This grant was approved to fund a youth marine ranger program

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Outcome 2	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Therapeutic Arts Workshops	Access Arts Inc.	\$300,000	Bardon, QLD	4064	This grant was approved as there was a need for this activity to continue
Outcome 2	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Infrastructure and Asset Upgrade	Weigelli Centre ABORIGINAL Corporation INC	\$53,500	WOODSTOCK, NSW	2793	This grant was approved as there was a need to replace an ageing bus enhancing the capacity to engage in a greater range of cultural activities
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Codes 4 Life, Leadership through identity	Desert Knowledge Australia	\$1,366,047	CONNELLAN, NT	0870	This grant was approved as there was a need for Aboriginal men in Central Australia to connect with culture and country, enveloping strong and positive identity to be strong leaders of their families and communities
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	FVPLS Victoria - Sisters Day Out and Dilly Bag: The Journey	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service (Victoria)	\$300,000	COLLINGWOOD, VIC	3066	This grant was approved as there was a need for this activity to continue

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Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	NAIDOC Activities Thursday Island	Torres Shire Council	\$10,000	THURSDAY ISLAND, QLD	4875	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Embedding Indigenous cultures at Monash Primary School	Monash Primary School	\$500	MONASH, ACT	2904	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Yarning Circle	Trustees of the Roman Catholic Church for the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn	\$500	RED HILL, ACT	2603	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	NAIDOC Week Celebrations	Department of Education NSW	\$500	CARTWRIGHT, NSW	2168	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Lismore Inaugural NAIDOC Youth Debutante Ball Ages 15-17	Ghurrumbil Dreaming Indigenous Corporation	\$500	LISMORE, NSW	2480	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	'Learn My Story – Share My Shield' – A shield making workshop for male youths	Keeping Our Freedom Youth Indigenous Corporation	\$500	CASINO, NSW	2470	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations

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Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Sharing the Spirit	NSW Government Schools Hamilton	\$500	HAMILTON, NSW	2303	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Wallsend Public School Community Art Mural	NSW Government Schools Parramatta, NSW	\$500	WALLSEND, NSW	2287	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Richmond High School NAIDOC celebrations	NSW Government Schools Parramatta, NSW	\$500	RICHMOND, NSW	2754	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	A Voice Together – Bossley Park Public School and Darug Country and Community	NSW Government Schools Parramatta, NSW	\$500	BOSSLEY PARK, NSW	2176	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Local Aboriginal Cultural Learning and Workshops	NSW Government Schools Banora Point, NSW	\$500	BANORA POINT, NSW	2486	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Byron Bay Public & Byron Bay High Schools combined NAIDOC Week activities (application 1)	NSW Government Schools Parramatta, NSW	\$500	BYRON BAY, NSW	2481	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Byron Bay High School and Byron Bay Primary Combined NAIDOC Week Celebrations (application 2)	NSW Government Schools Parramatta, NSW	\$500	BYRON BAY, NSW	2481	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations



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Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Language, Connection and Celebration Day	NSW Government Schools Nambucca Heads, NSW	\$500	NAMBUCCA HEADS, NSW	2448	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Stronger Smarter Schools NAIDOC 2019 Voice, Treaty, Truth	Stronger Smarter Institute Limited Caboolture, QLD	\$500	CABOOLTURE, QLD	4510	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	CLCAC Cairns NAIDOC	Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation Cairns, QLD	\$500	CAIRNS, QLD	4870	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	NAIDOC Week 2019	NSW Government Schools Spring Farm, NSW	\$300	SPRING FARM, NSW	2570	This grant was approved to allow for NAIDOC Week celebrations
Outcome 2	2.5 Remote Australia Strategies	Construction and operation of visitor park in Darwin	Aboriginal Hostels Limited	\$5,700,000	DARWIN, NT	8000	This grant was approved to support economic development opportunities for Indigenous people
Outcome 2	2.5 Remote Australia Strategies	Darwin visitor park operating costs	Aboriginal Hostels Limited	\$2,472,000	DARWIN, NT	8000	This grant was approved to support economic development opportunities for Indigenous people

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Outcome 2	2.5 Remote Australia Strategies	Purchase of Medical Equipment	Humpty Dumpty Foundation Limited	\$200,000	CHATSWOOD, NSW	2067	This grant was approved to support purchase high- priority medical equipment for health facilities in remote Northern Territory Indigenous communities
Outcome 2	2.5 Remote Australia Strategies	Re-connecting Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Services	Central Australian Aboriginal Media Assoc. (Aboriginal Corporation)	\$175,817	ALICE SPRINGS, NT	0870	This grant was approved to support the re- connection of Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Services

**Decisions by the former Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion, inadvertently omitted from the 2018 calendar year report**

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Outcome 2	2.3 Safety and Wellbeing	Arts workshops to support the mental health of Indigenous people	Access Arts Inc.	\$300,000	BARDON, QLD	4065	This grant was approved to continue provide workshops support the mental health of Indigenous people



**THE HON JASON WOOD MP**  
**ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS, COMMUNITY SAFETY AND**  
**MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS**



Ref No: MC20-005069

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Senator for Western Australia  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

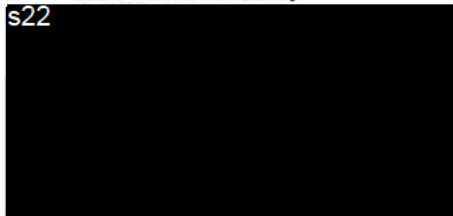
Thank you for your correspondence of 2 March 2020 concerning the 31 March 2020 deadline for reporting all instances where I have approved a grant that relevant agency officials recommended be rejected. I appreciate the time you have taken to bring this matter to my attention.

I have approved 10 grants that relevant agency officials recommended be rejected during the 2019 calendar year. These instances are listed at Attachment A.

Thank you for raising this matter.

Yours sincerely

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JASON WOOD

*27/3 / 2020*

CBMS programme title	Sub-programme	Project title	Grant recipient	Total grant value	Grant funding location	Postcode	Brief statement of reason for decision
HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	Safer Communities Project – Carmel School	H & S HOFFMAN & G KORSUNSKI CARMEL SCHOOL INC	\$900,000	Dianella, WA	6059	Carmel School is the only Jewish School in WA, which increases its vulnerability in that state as a potential target given the school and its students are at the centre of the Jewish community and society in WA. Sen. Mathias Cormann. The funding of this project will ensure that the risk of an attack stemming from racial and religious intolerance is minimised to the extent possible. Carmel School receives ongoing professional security advice which has advised them on vulnerabilities and strategies to mitigate this risk.
HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	Ganesh Temple Homebush West	SRI KARPHAGA VINAYAKAR TEMPLE PTY LTD	\$135,000	HOMEBUSH WEST, NSW	2140	On 26 August 2019 I visited the Sri Karphaga Vinayakar Temple with Fiona Martin MP, who has made a number of representations to me regarding this applicant, to assess the premises to assess the need for further security and safety features for the temple. The temple serves a large number of Hindu residents, in particular families and young children. In the current heightened security environment, and previous attacks stemming from racial and religious intolerance, it's clear the lack of security at the premises poses a risk to those attending and must be upgraded to deter and minimise the risk of attacks.
HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	Security Infrastructure and Enhancements for NVBA & Accredited Community Language School	NORTH VICTORIAN BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION	\$100,000	YUROKE, VIC	3064	I was asked to visit and assess the security and safety risks of the North Victoria Buddhist Association's Buddhist Temple at the invitation of Maria Vamvakinou MP. On 04 September 2019 I visited and spoke with members of the Association who outlined the risks to individuals while attending the temple. The need for security enhancements at the Temple, including CCTV and fencing upgrades, is very clear to minimise the possibly security risks of the premises.

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HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	To have a safe and protected school	BUDDHIST SRI LANKAN ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA INC	\$130,700	KEYSBOROUGH , VIC	3173	Having visited the premises of the Buddhist Sri Lankan Association of Victoria's temple in Keysborough this year on April 14th, the need for enhancements to facility was clear, including upgrades to fencing and the need to install a surveillance system. In the heightened security environment, noting the particular risks to racial and religious groups, the safety of those attending the premises must be a priority in order to minimise the risks and deter any possible attacks, especially on young people.
HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	Nations Security Project	NATIONS CHURCH INCORPORATED	\$183,079	MYAREE, WA	6154	Ben Morton MP has made approaches in support of this application noting the large number of attendees to Nations Church on a weekly basis, including a peat number of children. Noting the heightened security risks, its vital this organisation is able to properly protect attendees of the Church and deter attacks against the premises or attendees. Through upgrading their security, the applicant will be able to better minimise risks against the children and others who regularly attend.
HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	Upgrade to Security of Canberra Islamic Centre	CANBERRA ISLAMIC CENTRE INCORPORATED	\$215,000	GREENWAY, ACT	2900	I am particularly concerned about the need to provide the appropriate funds to have the security of this facility upgraded such as fencing, controlled entry and CCTV systems. I note this facility has suffered attacks previously, including most recently a small suspicious fire at the premises. It has also suffered previous attacks in 2014, including vandalism and break-ins. Noting the heightened security environment and the need to prevent and deter racial and religious attacks, funding should be provided to the Canberra Islamic Centre to assist with security enhancements.
HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	A Safer Museum for Kids	THE TRUSTEE FOR THE FOUNDATION FOR THE ISLAMIC MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA	\$309,828	THORNBURY, VIC	3071	Having visited the Islamic Museum of Australian in Thornbury it is clear to me the risk the premises faces as a possible target for racial and religiously motivated attacks. During my recent visit to the Museum on 4 September 2019 the staff outlined to me how recent attacks on the Islamic community had sadly deterred many families and schools from visiting the centre. This funding will assist, importantly, in preventing and deterring possibly attacks at the centre through upgrades and enhancements to security features.

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HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	Additional Security System for AIC & 1 Walker St	THE NEWPORT ISLAMIC SOCIETY INC	\$649,237	NEWPORT, VIC	3015	Through the Newport Islamic Society, the Newport Islamic Centre regularly accommodates over 3000 people per week, including many young families. On 4 September 2019 I visited the Centre to hear about the need for funding to build and enhance security at the premises. It was clear the current open-space design of the building, whilst intentional, present a dangerous security risks for those attending the Centre, especially, for example, as a car would be able to drive directly from the main street into the building during an attack motivated by religious or racial intolerance.
HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	ST ANDREW's GREEK ORTHODOX GRAMMAR	\$450,000	PERTH, WA	6059	Vince Connelly MP has made a number of representations to me regarding this religious school and the need to ensure funding is made available to better protect and secure the school, including through the use of fencing, lighting and security cameras. This will provide better protection for staff and, in particular, the students while attending the school. Peter Katsambanis MLA, State Member for Hillarys, has also noted the escalation of religious-based violence and general crime levels, and emphasised the need to increase security at the school to deter and protect school attendees from racial and religious based attacks.
HA 19/20 National Security and Criminal Justice	Safer Communities Fund – Round Four	Safe People in Safe Places	BELGRAVE HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF VIC INC	\$209,706	BELGRAVE, VIC	3160	With the increase in violent attacks stemming from racial and religious intolerance, I am satisfied that providing funding to Belgrave Heights Christian School to allow the school to upgrade the security and enhance the safety of staff and students, through the use of additional CCTV cameras in areas not currently covered, and remotely controlled vehicle access from the main road (noting recent car-based attacks). This will provide a greater deterrence against any possible attack or criminal act against the students or school and minimise the risk of these acts occurring in future. Belgrave Heights Christian School also has a high portion of children from police families and I have been made aware of threats which have occurred against the children of police families attending this school.





**The Hon Christian Porter MP**

Attorney-General  
Minister for Industrial Relations  
Leader of the House



MS20-000134

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

I am writing to you consistent with paragraph 4.12(a) of the *Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines* and also in response to your letter of 2 March 2020.

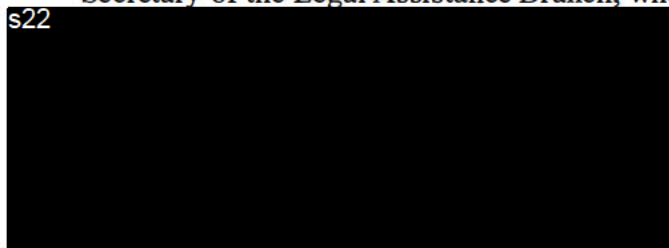
In respect to the 2019 calendar year, I wish to notify you of one grant I approved, a component of which the relevant official in my department recommended not be approved. The grant arose from an application under the Special Circumstances Scheme for legal representation and disbursements under the *Commonwealth Guidelines for Legal Financial Assistance 2012* (the Guidelines).

Details of the grant are contained in the attached table. Due to obligations on my department under the *Privacy Act 1988* (including Privacy Principle 6 relating to the use and disclosure of personal information) and section 9.6 of the Guidelines, the grantee's name has been omitted.

I confirm that there have been no instances where I have approved a grant that the relevant official of a Corporate Commonwealth Entity recommended be rejected.

The contact officer for this matter in my department is Ms Ariane Hermann, Assistant Secretary of the Legal Assistance Branch, who can be contacted on (02) 6141 4800.

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**The Hon Christian Porter MP**  
Attorney-General  
Minister for Industrial Relations  
Leader of the House

Encl. Appendix A – Details of grant approved



## Details of grant approved

CBMS program title	Sub-program	Grant Activity	Grantee	Total grant value	Grant funding location	Postcode	Brief statement of reason for decision
Program 1.4: Justice Services	Financial assistance towards legal costs and related expenses	Financial assistance	Grantee name is confidential	\$12,903.96, of which \$2,106.98 was not recommended.	ACT	2600	The component of the grant approved, which was not recommended by my department, related to disbursement expenses incurred by Australian Counsel in the course of seeking to secure the return of an Australian citizen who ultimately successfully appealed a criminal conviction overseas, and for which financial assistance had otherwise been provided. I considered the further disbursements of \$2,106.98 sufficiently proximate to the other work undertaken by the Australian Counsel that were recommended for funding, and that in all the circumstances, including the moral obligation on the Commonwealth, it was reasonable in all the circumstances to also approve the modest additional component of the grant application.



**The Hon Keith Pitt MP**

**Minister for Resources, Water and Northern Australia**

MC20-002909

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

*Mathias*  
Dear Minister

Thank you for your letter dated 3 March 2020 concerning grants approval reporting.

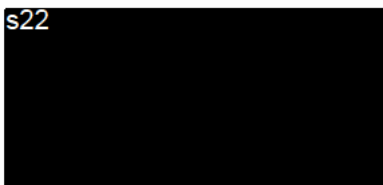
Between 1 January and 31 December 2019, there were no instances where I decided to approve a grant which the relevant entity recommended be rejected.

I can also report that the Hon Michelle Landry MP, Assistant Minister for Northern Australia, had no instances where a grant was approved which the relevant entity recommended be rejected.

Thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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Keith Pitt



**The Hon Karen Andrews MP**  
**Minister for Industry, Science and Technology**

MC20-002679

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

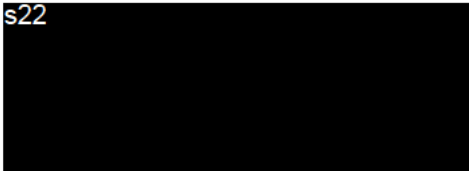
Dear Minister

Thank you for your letter dated 2 March 2020 concerning reporting under the *Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017*.

Between 1 January and 31 December 2019, there were no instances where I approved a grant where the relevant entity recommended that the grant be rejected.

Yours sincerely

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Karen Andrews

2 / 4 /2020



**Senator the Hon Marise Payne**  
Minister for Foreign Affairs  
Minister for Women

PDR: MC20-046506

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
PO Box 6100  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mathias".

Thank you for your letter regarding my reporting obligations under the *Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines 2017* (CGRGs).

I am writing to you in my role as Minister for Women, as required by paragraphs 4.11 and 4.12 of the CGRGs, to notify you of any grants approved in my electorate and any grants approved that were not recommended by the relevant officials.

In response to my reporting obligations under paragraph 4.11, I have not approved any grants in my electorate. I am also not aware of any grants approved by the former Minister for Women, Kelly O'Dwyer in her former electorate of Higgins as per paragraph 4.11.

In response to my reporting obligations under paragraph 4.12, I have not approved any grants that were not recommended by the relevant officials. My officers advise me the former Minister for Women, the Hon Kelly O'Dwyer MP, approved three grants that were not recommended by the relevant officials. Details of these grants are provided at Attachment A. The grants were assessed by officials within the Office for Women at the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Please contact Margaret Thomas, A/g Assistant Secretary in the Office for Women, on (02) 6271 6296 if you have any queries regarding these grants.

Yours sincerely

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**MARISE PAYNE**

07 APR 2020

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## Attachment A

### 4.12 - Annual ministerial report where a minister has approved a grant that the relevant officials recommended be rejected

CBMS Program Title	Sub-program	Grant Activity	Grantee	Total grant value	Grant funding location	Postcode	Brief statement of reason for decision
1.1 Office for Women	Women's Leadership and Development Program	Women Entrepreneurs Program for Established Businesses	Australian Institute of Company Directors	\$220,000 (GST incl)	New South Wales and Victoria	N/A, state based	Decision made by the former Minister for Women O'Dwyer
1.1 Office for Women	Women's Leadership and Development Program	Women's Leadership Forum	The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Chamber of Commerce	\$99,000 (GST incl)	Kalgoorlie, Western Australia	6430	Decision made by the former Minister for Women O'Dwyer
1.1 Office for Women	Women's Leadership and Development Program	Buddy Run	The Alannah and Madeline Foundation	\$96,800 (GST incl)	Melbourne, Victoria	3001	Decision made by the former Minister for Women O'Dwyer

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Minister for Education

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09 APR 2020

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

*Mathias,*

Thank you for your letter of 2 March 2020 regarding *Commonwealth Grants Rule and Guidelines Reporting 2017*, requiring reports for the preceding year.

I can confirm there are no instances where I have approved a grant where a relevant agency official recommend it be rejected for the education portfolio in 2019.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention. I trust this information is of assistance.

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**The Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP**  
**Minister for Indigenous Australians**  
**Member for Hasluck**

Reference: MS20-000317

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
 Minister for Finance  
 Parliament House  
 CANBERRA ACT 2600

*Mathias*  
 Dear Minister

I wrote to you on 20 March 2020 in response to your letter of 2 March 2020 regarding annual reporting requirements for all Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries as outlined in Section 4.12 (a) of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017:

*Ministers (including Senators) must report annually to the Finance Minister on all instances where they have decided to approve a particular grant which the relevant official has recommended be rejected. The report must include a brief statement of reasons (i.e. the basis of the approval for each grant). The report must be provided to the Finance Minister by 31 March each year for the preceding calendar year.*

In this correspondence, I had advised that in the 2019 calendar year there were thirty instances where the former Minister for Indigenous Affairs, the Hon Nigel Scullion, approved an Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) grant which the (then) Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet recommended be rejected.

It has since come to my attention that there were an additional two instances of this occurring.

A summary table outlining the details of these two instances is enclosed.

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The Hon KEN WYATT AM MP  
 Minister for Indigenous Australians

*17 / 6 / 2020*



**Additional Decisions by the former Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion, in the 2019 calendar year**

<b>CBMS program title</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Project title</b>	<b>Grant recipient</b>	<b>Total grant value</b>	<b>Grant funding location</b>	<b>Postcode</b>	<b>Brief statement of reason for decision</b>
Outcome 2	2.1 Jobs, Land and Economy	Indigenous Ranger Coordinator Transition	Deewin Kirim Aboriginal Corporation	\$115,000	PEPPIMENARTI, NT	0822	This grant was approved to assist capacity building for Indigenous Rangers
Outcome 2	2.4 Culture and Capability	Purchase accommodation in Burketown and commercial facilities in Normanton	Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation	\$2,000,000	BURKETOWN, QLD	4830	This grant was approved to boost the local economy, increase employment opportunities and improve local outcomes



**THE HON JOSH FRYDENBERG MP  
TREASURER**

Ref: MS20-000328

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Leader of the Government in the Senate  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

  
Dear Minister

I refer to the annual reporting requirements for all Ministers and Assistant Ministers under the *Commonwealth Grant Rules and Guidelines 2017*.

During the reporting period 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019, records indicate there were no instances where a Treasury Portfolio Minister approved a grant which the agency administering the grant recommended be rejected.

I have copied this letter to the Minister for Population, Cities and Urban Infrastructure, the Minister for Housing and Assistant Treasurer, Assistant Minister for Superannuation, Financial Services and Financial Technology, and the Assistant Minister for Finance, Charities and Electoral Matters.

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THE HON JOSH FRYDENBERG MP

8 / 7 /2020



## The Hon Michael McCormack MP

Deputy Prime Minister  
Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development  
Leader of The Nationals  
Federal Member for Riverina

Ref: MS20-000989

16 AUG 2020

Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann  
Minister for Finance  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

*Mathias*  
Dear Minister

In my capacity as Chair of the Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) Ministerial Panel, I write to inform you of funding approvals under Round Four in accordance with the requirements of Section 4.11 and 4.12 of the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines (CGRG's).

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In addition to myself as Chair, the Ministerial Panel members are:

- Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham, Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment;
- the Hon Dan Tehan MP, Minister for Education;
- the Hon David Littleproud MP, Minister for Agriculture, Drought and Emergency Management;
- the Hon Mark Coulton MP, Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government;
- the Hon Nola Marino MP, Assistant Minister for Regional Development and Territories;
- the Hon Ben Morton MP, Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister and Cabinet;
- the Hon Kevin Hogan MP, Assistant Minister to the Deputy Prime Minister; and
- Senator the Hon Jonathon Duniam, Assistant Minister for Regional Tourism and Forestry and Fisheries.

To satisfy the requirements of Sections 4.11(a) and (b) of the CGRGs, I am advising you that, of the 163 projects approved under Round Four of the BBRF, a total of 31 were chosen by the Ministerial Panel in the electorates of panel members:

- 3 in my electorate of Riverina;
- 12 in the electorate of Maranoa, held by the Hon David Littleproud MP, Minister for Agriculture, Drought and Emergency Management;
- two in the electorate of Page, held by the Hon Kevin Hogan MP, Assistant Minister to the Deputy Prime Minister; and
- 14 in the electorate of Parkes, held by the Hon Mark Coulton MP, Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government.

All of these projects were assessed by the AusIndustry Business Grants Hub as meeting value with relevant money in accordance with the approved program guidelines.

Details of these projects are listed in the table at **Attachment A**.

To satisfy the requirements of Sections 4.12 of the CGRGs, I am advising you that, of the 163 projects approved under Round Four of the BBRF, a total of 49 as listed in **Attachment B** were chosen by the Ministerial Panel that were not recommend for funding by the Department. It should be noted that the Department did not specifically recommend that these projects be rejected, however for transparency these projects are listed.

The Panel provided the following statement of reasons for these selections.

- *The Ministerial Panel decision differed from the Departmental recommendation on these projects because of the regional impact of those projects listed above.*
- *The Ministerial Panel decision differed from the Departmental recommendation on these projects because they are in areas significantly impacted by drought and those projects listed demonstrated value for the broader region.*
- *The Ministerial Panel decision differed from the Departmental recommendation on these projects because of considerations made for spread of projects and funding across projects.*

Please note that although not recommended by the Department, all the projects were assessed as Value with Relevant Money and no ineligible projects were funded.

Yours sincerely

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Michael McCormack

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cc     The Hon David Littleproud MP, Minister for Agriculture, Drought and Emergency Management  
         Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham, Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment  
         The Hon Mark Coulton MP, Minister for Regional Health, Regional Communications and Local Government  
         The Hon Dan Tehan MP, Minister for Education  
         The Hon Nola Marino MP, Assistant Minister for Regional Development and Territories  
         The Hon Ben Morton MP, Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister and Cabinet  
         Senator the Hon Jonathan Duniam, Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries and Assistant Minister for Regional Tourism  
         The Hon Kevin Hogan MP, Assistant Minister to the Deputy Prime Minister



















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<b>REPORTED IN PERIOD: 1 October 2016 to 30 September 2017</b>								
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting their Service Commemorations Program	Landsborough and District Historical Group	\$3,800	14/12/2017	Towards installing plaques on the Memorial Wall in the Landsborough Anzac Memorial Garden to commemorate local servicemen and women.	MS16-000772
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting their Service Commemorations Program	Woodhouse/Nareeb Memorial Hall Reserve	\$900	14/12/2017	Towards installing new servicemen and women name plaques at the Woodhouse/Nareeb Nostalgia Grove in Nareeb, Vic.	MS16-000772
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting their Service Commemorations Program	Woodhouse/Nareeb Memorial Hall Reserve	\$1,340	23/03/2017	Towards installing new servicemen and women name plaques at the Woodhouse/Nareeb Nostalgia Grove in Nareeb, Vic.	MS17-000099
The Hon Michael Keenan MP	Stirling	Attorney-General's Department	Safer Communities Fund	City of Stirling	\$180,000	20/04/2017	To expand existing CCTV network across Stirling.	MS17-000890
The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP	New England	Department of Agriculture and Water Services	Control Tool and Technologies for established pest animals and weeds programme	Department of Primary Industries NSW	\$386,005	28/04/2017	To provide an opportunity to develop new or improved tools and technologies to control established pest animals and weeds that pose a threat to ecosystems, habitats or native species in Australia, and have a national impact reducing Australian agricultural productivity and profitability.	MS17-000572
The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP	New England	Department of Agriculture and Water Services	Control Tool and Technologies for established pest animals and weeds program	Department of Primary Industries NSW	\$215,999	28/04/2017	To provide an opportunity to develop new or improved tools and technologies to control established pest animals and weeds that pose a threat to ecosystems, habitats or native species in Australia, and have a national impact reducing Australian agricultural productivity and profitability.	MS17-000572

The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP	New England	Department of Agriculture and Water Services	Control Tool and Technologies for established pest animals and weeds program	Invasive Animals Limited	\$874,535	28/04/2017	To provide an opportunity to develop new or improved tools and technologies to control established pest animals and weeds that pose a threat to ecosystems, habitats or native species in Australia, and have a national impact reducing Australian agricultural productivity and profitability.	MS17-000572
The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP	New England	Department of Agriculture and Water Services	Control Tool and Technologies for established pest animals and weeds program	Department of Agriculture and Food Western Australia, partnering with University of New England	\$429,065	28/04/2017	To provide an opportunity to develop new or improved tools and technologies to control established pest animals and weeds that pose a threat to ecosystems, habitats or native species in Australia, and have a national impact reducing Australian agricultural productivity and profitability.	MS17-000572
The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP	New England	Department of Agriculture and Water Services	Rural Research and Development for Profit Programme	Meat and Livestock Australia	\$10,091,591	4/05/2017	For research into using dung beetles. The proposals involve project research activities occurring within my electorate. Meat and Livestock Australia Limited are located in my electorate, as are the University of New England and Inventus who are partners in the projects. It is not possible, from the information available to my department to estimate the amount of grant funds which will flow to my electorate.	MS17-000716
The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP	New England	Department of Agriculture and Water Services	Rural Research and Development for Profit Programme	Meat and Livestock Australia	\$6,600,000	4/05/2017	For research into converting animal waste to valuable products. The proposal "involves project research activities occurring within my electorate ... not possible, from the information available to my department to estimate the amount of grant funds which will flow to my electorate".	MS17-000716
The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP	New England	Department of Agriculture and Water Services	Rural Research and Development for Profit Programme	Meat and Livestock Australia	\$6,818,836	4/05/2017	To proactively manage the impacts of extreme climate events. The proposal "involves project research activities occurring within my electorate ... not possible from the information available to my department to estimate the amount of grant funds which will flow to my electorate".	MS17-000716



The Hon Josh Frydenberg MP	Kooyong	Department of Environment and Energy	Solar Communities Program	Boroondara City Council	\$14,993	17/05/2017	The grant corresponds with election commitments in 2016, and was recommended by the Department.	MS17-000632
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting their Service	Bahgallah Memorial Hall Inc	\$4,000	14/06/2017	Towards installing a replica monument and plaque at Bahgallah Memorial Hall to commemorate three former Bahgallah State School scholars killed in action at the	MS17-000477
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting their Service	Bahgallah Memorial Hall Inc	\$3,876	14/06/2017	Towards restoring the First World War Honour Board located at the Bahgallah Memorial Hall.	MS17-000477
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting their Service	Bahgallah Memorial Hall Inc	\$976	14/06/2017	Towards holding a memorial service to commemorate the centenary of the Broodseinde Ridge Battle.	MS17-000477
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting their Service	Bahgallah Memorial Hall Inc	\$470	14/06/2017	To Casterton Secondary College students to undertake a series of projects to help commemorate the Centenary of the Battle of Broodseinde Ridge.	MS17-000477
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting their Service	Bahgallah Memorial Hall Inc	\$1,156	14/06/2017	To install a flagpole at Bahgallah Memorial Hall to fly the Australian National flag on days of commemoration.	MS17-000477

Note: The Hon Josh Frydenberg MP also reported grants under the Solar Communities Program to Highgate Community Centre (\$13,578) and to the Scout Association of WA (\$14,984) as these were 2016 election commitments (MC17-001839).

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The Hon Darren Chester MP *	Gippsland	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund (Round One) (Infrastructure Projects)	East Gippsland Shire Council	\$725,590	26/10/2017	The grant for the Mallacoota Community Clubrooms Project was approved by the Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) Ministerial Panel.	MS17-001679
The Hon Darren Chester MP *	Gippsland	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund (Round One) (Infrastructure Projects)	Gippsland Lakes Community Health	\$500,000	26/10/2017	The grant towards the Building Better Community Support Facilities for East Gippsland project, was approved by the BBRF Ministerial Panel.	MS17-001679
The Hon Darren Chester MP *	Gippsland	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund (Round One) (Community Investments)	East Gippsland Shire Council	\$75,000	26/10/2017	The grant towards the One Place One Plan: A Different Way of Working with our Communities, was approved by the BBRF Ministerial Panel.	MS17-001679
The Hon Darren Chester MP *	Gippsland	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund (Round One) (Community Investments)	East Gippsland Food Cluster Inc.	\$19,975	26/10/2017	The grant towards the Extracting Value from Gippsland's Waste and Surplus Vegetables project, was approved by the BBRF Ministerial Panel.	MS17-001679
The Hon Darren Chester MP *	Gippsland	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund (Round One) (Community Investments)	East Gippsland Landcare Network Incorporated	\$12,250	26/10/2017	The grant towards the Invasive Aliens in east Gippsland-Countering Pest Plants and Animals project, was approved by the BBRF Ministerial Panel.	MS17-001679
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders	Department of Health	National Shed Development Program (Round 15)	Mt Martha Men's Shed	\$2,000	5/11/2017	The grant for tools, equipment, community projects and training at the Mt Martha Men's Shed, was assessed as part of an open process, and was recommended for approval by the Australian Men's Shed Association Panel.	MC17-017766
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders	Department of Health	National Shed Development Program (Round 15)	Safety Beach-Dromana Men's Shed	\$4,000	5/11/2017	The grant for tools, equipment, community projects and training at the Safety Beach-Dromana Men's Shed, was assessed as part of an open process, and was recommended for approval by the Australian Men's Shed Association Panel.	MC17-017766
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The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders	Department of Health	National Shed Development Program (Round 15)	Cranbourne Casey Men's Shed	\$1,373	5/11/2017	The grant for building maintenance and development at the Cranbourne Casey Men's Shed, was assessed as part of an open process, and was recommended for approval by the Australian Men's Shed Association Panel.	MC17-017766
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders	Department of Health	National Shed Development Program (Round 15)	Men's Shed Junction Village, Victoria	\$2,000	5/11/2017	The grant for tools, equipment, community projects and training at the Men's Shed Junction Village in Victoria, was assessed as part of an open process, and was recommended for approval by the Australian Men's Shed Association Panel.	MC17-017766
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders	Department of Health	National Shed Development Program (Round 15)	Peninsula North Men's Shed	\$1,086	5/11/2017	The grant for tools, equipment, community projects and training at the Peninsula North Men's Shed, was assessed as part of an open process, and was recommended for approval by the Australian Men's Shed Association Panel.	MC17-017766
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Community Development Grants Programme	Latrobe City Council	Up to \$1.6m	22/11/2017	Towards the construction of the Traralgon-Morwell Shared Pathway project	MS17-002491
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program - Community Commemorative Grants	Dunkeld Public Lands Committee Inc	\$3,636	4/12/2017	Towards the produce and install a plaque at the Dunkeld Cenotaph providing information about the First World War and Australia's involvement	MS17-001041
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program - Community Commemorative Grants	Mortlake RSL Sub-branch	\$3,145	4/12/2017	To restore the honour boards at Mortlake RSL	MS17-001041
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants Program	Warrnambool RSL Sub-Branch Inc	\$14,798	25/10/2017	Towards the upgrade of clubroom facilities to enhance activities provided for the veteran community.	MS17-000841

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The Hon Josh Frydenberg MP	Kooyong	Department of the Environment and Energy	Solar Communities Program	Auburn Bowls Club Incorporated	\$12,500	The program provides funding for community groups in selected regions across Australia to install rooftop solar photovoltaic, solar hot water and solar-connected battery systems at their facility to reduce emissions, reduce their electricity costs and support renewable energy.	MC18-001661
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	Morwell Historical Society Inc	\$3,000	To publish a book about Morwell District Soldiers who served in the Boer War.	MC18-001767
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack	Department of the Environment and Energy	New Indigenous Protected Areas Program (IPA)	Desert Support Services Pty Ltd	\$550,000	To implement the grant project: Ngururrpa IPA (consultation phase). Funded projects will contribute to protecting and conserving Australia's biodiversity, will deliver sustainable environmental, cultural, social and economic outcomes, and will build the extent and condition of Australia's national Reserve System through the dedication and management of new IPAs.	MC18-001672
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants Program	East Gippsland TPI Social Club	\$14,340	To undertake a series of bus trips to reduce social isolation.	MC18-001952
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants Program	Sale RSL and Community Sub-branch Incorporated	\$68,526	To upgrade existing toilet facilities for the wellbeing of the veteran community.	MC18-001952
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants Program	Stratford Sub-branch RSL Incorporated	\$2,746	To purchase tables and chairs to enhance activities provided for the veteran community.	MC18-001952
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Maffra Men's Shed Inc	\$3,000	Construct a memorial garden at the entrance to the Maffra Men's Shed.	MC18-001924
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Toongabbie Recreation Reserves Committee Inc	\$4,595	Remove and relocate memorial plaques.	MC18-001924

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The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders	Department of Health	Mental Health	YMCA Southern Peninsula Youth Services	\$1,200,000	The grant was received as an unsolicited proposal and the Department assessed and recommended the grant as suitable for funding.	MC18-001902
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Ensay/Swifts Creek RSL Sub Branch	\$7,072	Construct an information board including an Honour Roll with the names of local people who volunteered for service in the First World War.	MC18-001995
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Morwell RSL Sub Branch	\$3,841	Install a Granite Memorial Rock and Bronze Plaque and hold a Commemorative Service on Armistice Day.	MC18-001995
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack	Department of the Environment and Energy	National Landcare Program - Environment Small Grants	Dunkeld Pastoral Co Pty Ltd	\$36,890	These grants were recommended by the Department of the Environment and Energy, based on the assessment by the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science Business Grants Hub for National Landcare projects.	MC18-002211
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack	Department of the Environment and Energy	National Landcare Program - Environment Small Grants	Environs Kimberley Inc	\$50,000	These grants were recommended by the Department of the Environment and Energy, based on the assessment by the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science Business Grants Hub for National Landcare projects.	MC18-002211
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack	Department of the Environment and Energy	National Landcare Program - Environment Small Grants	The Moore Catchment Council (Inc)	\$50,000	These grants were recommended by the Department of the Environment and Energy, based on the assessment by the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science Business Grants Hub for National Landcare projects.	MC18-002211
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack	Department of the Environment and Energy	National Landcare Program - Environment Small Grants	Animal Management in Rural & Remote Indigenous Communities Incorporated	\$41,589	These grants were recommended by the Department of the Environment and Energy, based on the assessment by the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science Business Grants Hub for National Landcare projects.	MC18-002211
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack	Department of the Environment and Energy	National Landcare Program - Environment Small Grants	Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation	\$50,000	These grants were recommended by the Department of the Environment and Energy, based on the assessment by the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science Business Grants Hub for National Landcare projects.	MC18-002211

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The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Sale RSL and Community Sub-Branch	\$2,928	Conduct an Armistice Ball in the Sale Memorial Hall.	MC18-002151
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Lakes Entrance RSL Sub-Branch	\$11,819	Installation of two display cabinets to house memorabilia from the First World War.	MC18-002442
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Lions Club of Morwell Inc	\$3,000	Conduct the Centenary of Anzac Concert at Kernot Hall, Morwell.	MC18-002442
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Building Excellence in Support and Training (BEST) program	The Gippsland Veterans Welfare Centre	\$21,508	The Gippsland Veterans Welfare Centre is receiving the Grant Funding in Round 20 of the BEST.	MC18-002511
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Paynesville RSL Sub-Branch	\$2,728	Commemorate the Centenary of the Armistice through the installation of the plaque and the holding of a function.	MC18-002389
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Traralgon Public Cemetery Fund	\$4,157	Installation of a flagpole and plaque dedicated to the First World War nurses from the Traralgon district at the Gippsland Memorial Park.	MC18-002389
The Hon Keith Pitt MP	Hinkler	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Bundaberg Regional Council	\$3,750,000	Mon Repos Turtle Centre Redevelopment (Stage 2).	MC18-002057
The Hon Keith Pitt MP	Hinkler	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Coral Coast Community Care Inc	\$68,913	Bubs and kids permanent facility with counselling rooms.	MC18-002057
The Hon Keith Pitt MP	Hinkler	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Queensland Section) Limited	\$3,000,000	RFDS & LF Aeromedical Base & Patient Transfer Facility - Bundaberg.	MC18-002057
The Hon Dr John McVeigh MP	Groom	Chair of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Cerebral Palsy League of Queensland	\$20,230	CPL Toowoomba Capital Improvement & Capacity Building Project (Phase 1).	MC18-002057

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The Hon Dr John McVeigh MP	Groom	Chair of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Queensland) Limited	\$4,821,293	Toowoomba Animal Care Campus.	MC18-002057
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Parkes Shire Council	\$4,234,992	Parkes Main Street Revitalisation & Cooke Park Multipurpose Centre.	MC18-002057
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	The Frank Whiddon Masonic Homes of New South Wales	\$3,685,008	The Whiddon Group Temora Extension.	MC18-002057
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Cowra Shire Council	\$829,619	Upgrading the footpaths to complete the Cowra CDB Redevelopment.	MC18-002057
The Hon Keith Pitt MP	Hinkler	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Bundaberg Regional Council	\$18,060	Childers Festival Strategic Planning.	MC18-002057
The Hon Keith Pitt MP	Hinkler	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Bundaberg Regional Council	\$17,600	Netball Queensland Primary Schools Cup 2018.	MC18-002057
The Hon Keith Pitt MP	Hinkler	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Fraser Coast Regional Council	\$75,000	Discover Fraser Coast - Tourism Wayfinding Signage Story Trail Strategy.	MC18-002057
The Hon Dr John McVeigh MP	Groom	Chair of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	TSBE Export and Investment Development Limited	\$30,000	Equipping Leaders to Attract and Retain Workers in Regional Centres.	MC18-002057
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina	Member of the Building Better Regions Fund Ministerial Panel	Building Better Regions Fund	Destination Riverina Murray Ltd	\$25,000	Riverina Murray Tourism Accelerator Program.	MC18-002057



## Attachment B

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The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	National Landcare Program - Threatened Species Recovery Fund	Kimberley Land Council Aboriginal Corporation	\$80,000	The grant was recommended based on the outcomes of an assessment by the Department of the Environment and Energy, to support the implementation of the Threatened Species Strategy.	MC18-003101
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Our Marine Parks	Western Australian Fishing Industry Council Inc	\$1,510,630	<p>These grants were for three projects with a state-wide focus that Minister Price advised may have a benefit in her electorate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'Facilitating Adoption of Long Line Technology (including auto longlining) in Western Australian Temperate Shark Fisheries – A Parks Australia and WAFIC project';</li> <li>• 'Pre-feasibility Study for a Multi-Species, Value-Adding Facility for the South West and Southern Fisheries of Western Australia'; and</li> <li>• 'Long term sustainable use of demersal gillnet and longline in Western Australia's temperate</li> </ul>	MC19-001372

						Shark Fishery, A Western Australian & WAFIC project'.	
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Western Australia Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions	\$400,000	Monkey Mia Rejuvenation.	MC19-001422
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Wunambal Gaambera Aboriginal Corporation	\$150,000	West Kimberley Wanjina and Gwion rock art sites.	MC19-001422
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation	\$400,000	Deep Gorge Art Viewing Trail in Murujuga National Park.	MC19-001422
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Dunkeld Pastoral Co Pty Ltd	\$126,590	Cross tenure feral animal control in the West Kimberley.	MC19-001422
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Western Australia Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions	\$80,000	Developing a humpback whale biodiversity/tourism management program.	MC19-001422
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Western Australia Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions	\$180,000	Construction of long distance trail in Lesueur National Park.	MC19-001422
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Walalakoo Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC	\$400,000	Conservation and management plan: National Heritage Fitzroy River.	MC19-001422

The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation	\$176,443	World Heritage Support Officer (World Heritage Listing – Murujuga).	MC19-001422
The Hon Melissa Price MP	Durack WA	Department of the Environment and Energy	Australian Heritage Grants	Rangelands NRM Coordinating Group (Inc)	\$142,392	Reducing runoff and silt loads impacting the Shark Bay World Heritage Area.	MC19-004122
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants Program	Lakes Entrance Men's Shed Inc	\$3,693	No further information provided in letter.	MC18-003155
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants Program	Traralgon RSL Sub-Branch Inc	\$42,884	No further information provided in letter.	MC18-003155
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	Friends of the Community Gardens Sub-Committee - Nowa Nowa	\$3,637	Install a memorial commemorating the service and sacrifice of service men and women from the Nowa Nowa community.	MC18-003156
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	The Sale RSL and Community Sub-Branch Inc	\$2,220	Publish booklets about historic wartime murals.	MC18-004119
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	Port Albert Progress Association Inc	\$2,710	Install lighting at a memorial in Port Albert.	MC19-001337
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Supporting Younger Veterans Grants Program	Sale Returned and Services League and Community Sub-Branch Inc.	\$3,667	To assist with the creation of a website to assist veterans to easily locate a variety of local services.	MC19-000412

The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Armistice Centenary Grants Program	Ensay Swifts Creek RSL Sub-Branch	\$9,999	Construct a second information board at the Reedy Flat War Memorial.	MC19-001344
The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Mum 2 Mum	Canterbury City Community Centre Inc.	\$50,000	The grants were assessed as part of an open competitive, merit-based process and were recommended for approval by the Selection Advisory Panel comprising representatives from the Department of Home Affairs, the Department of Social Services Community Grants Hub and O'Connor Marsden (Probity Advisor).	MC19-000461
The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Enhancing economic participation for African migrants	iCare Community Services Inc.	\$40,000	As above.	MC19-000461
The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Rights, Responsibilities, Relationships (3R's)	Prosper (Project Australia) Incorporated	\$27,060	As above.	MC19-000461
The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Migrant Women and Families Social Integration	Macedonian - Australian Welfare Association NSW	\$50,000	As above.	MC19-000461

The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Diverse Employment Connections	Advance Diversity Services Limited	\$25,300	As above.	MC19-000461
The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Creating community for young mothers	Melkite Catholic Welfare Association Incorporated	\$36,908	As above.	MC19-000461
The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Lets Speak the Language of Integration	Asian Women at Work Incorporated	\$50,000	As above.	MC19-000461
The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Life in Australia the Guide to Successful Migration	Muslim Women's Welfare of Australia	\$49,980	As above.	MC19-000461
The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Respectful Relationships for Muslim Young People	Islamic Women's Association of Australia (IWAA) Inc.	\$28,996	As above.	MC19-000461

The Hon David Coleman MP	Banks NSW	Department of Home Affairs	Fostering Integration Grants - Ingham Institute Migrant Mothers Early Childhood Caring Health Program	Ingham Institute for Applied Medical Research	\$50,000	As above.	MC19-000461
The Hon Paul Fletcher MP	Bradfield NSW	Department of Social Services	Mental health services for young people	KYDS Youth Development Services Inc	\$480,000	Family mental health support services.	MC19-001424
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	National Shed Development Program (Round 18)	Mt Martha Men's Shed	\$3,800	Health & Wellbeing & Events: Health Eating programme-commercial kitchen hire for facilitator and assistants with Food Handling Certificates to provide cooking demonstrations with handouts and food provided.	MC19-000947
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	National Shed Development Program (Round 18)	Rosebud and District Men's Shed	\$7,000	Shed Improvements: Dividing wall within the Men's Shed footprint to provide separate social and workspace areas.	MC19-000947
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	National Shed Development Program (Round 18)	Safety Beach and Dromana Men's Shed	\$1,500	Tools & Equipment: Desktop computer with large display screen and application software.	MC19-000947
The Hon Andrew Broad MP and the Hon Sussan Ley MP	Mallee and Farrer	Member of the Regional Growth Fund Ministerial Panel	Regional Growth Fund	Swan Hill Rural City Council	\$16,803,000	Reported by the Hon Michael McCormack MP, for the Construction of Foreshore Redevelopment and Upgrade of Public User Areas, Multiple Locations, Vic & NSW project,	MC19-001129

						which is based across the electorates of Mallee and Farrer.	
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Rural Research and Development (R&D) for Profit Program	Grains Research and Development Corporation	\$2,053,941 (GST inclusive)	The project will research area wide management for cropping systems weeds. Millmerran Landcare Group, located in the Maranoa electorate, is a partner in the project. It is not possible, from the information available to the department, to estimate the amount of grant funds which would flow to the electorate.	MC19-001204
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Balonne Shire Council	\$800,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Balonne Shire Council	\$200,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Barcaldine Regional Council	\$400,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Barcoo Shire Council	\$900,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338



The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Barcoo Shire Council	\$80,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Diamantina Shire Council	\$150,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Goondiwindi Regional Council	\$454,260	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Longreach Regional Council	\$110,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Longreach Regional Council	\$880,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Maranoa Regional Council	\$210,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338

The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Murweh Shire Council	\$600,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Paroo Shire Council	\$196,500	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Quilpie Shire Council	\$100,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Quilpie Shire Council	\$900,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Southern Downs Regional Council	\$1,000,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Western Downs Regional Council	\$159,800	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338

The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Winton Shire Council	\$800,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing.	MC19-001338
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program	Winton Shire Council	\$200,000	Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds: Pests and Weed Management.	MC19-001338
The Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP	Hasluck WA	Department of Health	Indigenous Australians' Health Programme	Shelter WA	\$250,000	Review and report on the intersection of health and housing policy in WA since 1993.	MC19-001259
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Fight Cancer Foundation Ltd	\$1,903,344	Will expand a treatment and rehabilitation facility.	MC19-001329
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Griffith City Council	\$4,500,000	The grant will fund a regional sports centre.	MC19-001329
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Berrigan Shire Council	\$484,380	Will fund the revitalisation of the Jersey Street Industrial Estate in Tocumwal.	MC19-001329
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional	Building Better Regions Fund	Griffith Shed for Men Inc	\$17,500	The project will deliver a ten year strategic plan combined with a series of coordinated events held over 12 months.	MC19-001329

		Development and Cities					
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Carrathool Shire Council	\$60,000	The project will deliver a strategic development plan focused on agribusiness ventures established and operating in the Carrathool Shire.	MC19-001329
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Griffith & District Citrus Growers Inc	\$19,990	The project will develop a strategic plan for a Riverina Citrus Centre of Excellence at the Griffith Research Facility. The plan will build on an existing Business Case to provide orchard trial sites and research and education to drive citrus industry growth and profitability.	MC19-001329
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Temora Shire Council	\$5,353,151	Temora Airport runway, apron and taxiways upgrade.	MC19-001329
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Cowra Japanese Garden and Cultural Centre Ltd	\$307,442	Upgrade to the roof of the Cultural Centre and Bonsai House.	MC19-001329
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Forbes Shire Council	\$867,241	The project will upgrade the Forbes Commercial Precinct.	MC19-001329
The Hon Michael	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional	Building Better Regions Fund	Bland Shire Council	\$18,170	The project will deliver a workshop program based on business	MC19-001329

McCormack MP		Development and Cities				fundamentals and building and diversifying business branding.	
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities	Building Better Regions Fund	Matriark Theatre Inc	\$15,000	This project will contribute funding to the Secret World: Cootamundra, a night festival hosted by young people.	MC19-001329

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Minister	Electorate	Agency	Program	Grant Recipient	Grant Amount	Additional Information Provided in Letters	PWS Reference No.
<b>REPORTED IN PERIOD: May 2019 - November 2019</b>							
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	Jarrahmond Landcare Group	\$4,000	Landscape and install fencing at the Jarrahmond Avenue of Honour dedicated to local service personnel of the First and Second World Wars.	MC19-001580
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	Paynesville RSL Sub-Branch	\$2,800	To restore and preserve the Paynesville Cenotaph.	MC19-002433
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	Sale RSL & Community Sub-Branch Inc.	\$980	To install two plaques at the Sale RSL and Community Club dedicated to the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Malayan Emergency and the 75 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Sandakan Death Marches	MC19-002433
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	Traralgon Public Cemetery Fund	\$1,325	To supply and install a plaque in the Memorial Precinct Gardens at the Traralgon Cemetery, commemorating the service and sacrifice of service personnel during the Boer War.	MC19-002433

The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants Program	Morwell RSL Sub-Branch Incorporated	\$977	To undertake a series of bus trips to reduce social isolation.	MC19-002702
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants Program	Gippsland Regional Veterans Welfare Centre	\$9,417	To undertake a series of bus trips to reduce social isolation	MC19-002702
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program	Sale RSL and Community Sub-Branch Inc	\$900	Enable addition of a name to the existing roll of honour on the Sale Cenotaph	MC19-003431
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Building Excellence in Support and Training Fund	Gippsland Veterans Welfare Centre	\$16,832	<i>No further information included in letter.</i>	MC19-003157
The Hon Stuart Robert MP	Fadden QLD	Department of Social Services	NDIS Jobs and Market Fund	Ability First Australia Ltd	\$822,400	One of the consortium members, Montrose Therapy and Respite Services, is located in the Minister's electorate of Fadden. The lead organisation and other consortium members are not in the Minister's electorate. The grant was assessed via an open competitive selection process.	MC19-002701
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	Commonwealth Health and Hospitals Program (CHHP) – Primary Care	Mornington Peninsula Shire Council	\$1,500,000	The Integrated Youth Services Hub Rosebud project grant was assessed by the Department of Health as part of a condensed grants process.	MC19-001799



The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	Headspace National Office	Rosebud Secondary College	\$300,000	The Rosebud Secondary Wellness Pavilion grant was assessed by the Department of Health as part of a condensed grants process	MC19-001799
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	CHHP – Health Infrastructure	Bays Healthcare	\$10,000,000	The Bays Healthcare Group – Comprehensive Cancer Centre grant was assessed by the Department of Health as part of a condensed grants process.	MC19-001799
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	CHHP – Health Infrastructure	The Bays Healthcare Group	\$2,600,000	Alexandra Park Community Services Project	MC19-003855
The Hon Christian Porter MP	Pearce WA	Attorney General's Department	Legal Financial Assistance Schemes	<i>Grantees name was omitted for privacy reasons</i>	\$26,463	The grant was assessed by officials in the Department.	MC19-002958
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development	Community Development Grants (CDG) Programme	Lockhart Shire Council	\$25,000	The Rock Recreation Ground Playspace project, delivers on a 2019 Australian Government commitment	MC19-002429
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development	CDG Programme	Lockhart Shire Council	\$1,000,000	The Stage One, Better Energy Technology Lockhart project delivers on a 2019 Australian Government commitment.	MC19-002431
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development	CDG Programme	Forbes Community Men's Shed	\$15,000	The Forbes Men's Shed Upgrade project grant delivers on a 2019 Australian Government election commitment.	MC19-003469
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development	CDG Programme	Police Citizens Youth Clubs NSW LTD	\$10,000,000	The grant for the PCYC NSW Regional and Youth Centre Project delivers on a 2019 Australian Government commitment.	MC19-003623

The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon VIC	Australian Research Council	ARC Centres of Excellence Scheme	University of Melbourne	\$35,000,000	While the ARC centre will be administered by the University of Melbourne, it does have a new research facility located at the Stawell gold mine which falls within the Minister's electorate. The ARC Centre of Excellence for Dark Matter Particle Physics was assessed as part of an open, competitive merit-based process.	MC19-002432
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon VIC	Department of Education	Destination Australia Program	Deakin University	\$1,600,000	This program was announced as part of the <i>Plan for Australia's Future Population</i> , and will support domestic and international students to study and live outside Australia's major cities. The tertiary education provider was found suitable through a competitive process and recommended for funding by the Department and the Community Grants Hub.	MC19-003414

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Minister	Electorate	Agency	Program	Grant Recipient & postcode	Grant activity & Term	Grant Type/ Recommended by	Grant Amount	Additional Information Provided in Letters	Finance PDR
REPORTED IN PERIOD: December 2019-May 2020									
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Building Excellence in Support and Training	Veterans Welfare Centre Gippsland, Sale 3850	Fund salary and office administration expenses. Oct 2019 – Oct 2020	Targeted non-competitive Departmental selection advisory panel	\$39,000	Nil	MC20-001188
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants	RSL Sale and Community Sub-Branch Incorporated 3850	Update furniture at the RSL to ensure a safe environment. Feb 2019 – Jan 2020	Open Competitive Departmental selection advisory panel	\$34,162	Nil	MC20-001188
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants	RSL Sale and Community Sub-Branch Incorporated 3850	Provide first-aid training for volunteers. Feb 2019 – Jan 2020	Open Competitive Departmental selection advisory panel	\$2,175	Nil	MC20-001188
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants	East Gippsland TPI Social Club 3850	To undertake a series of bus trips to reduce social isolation. Apr 2019 – March 2020	Open Competitive Department	\$14,100	Nil	MC19-003921

The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Veteran and Community Grants	Carry On (Victoria) 3000	To repurpose a retail site in Morwell to create a social enterprise café.  Jan 2020 to Dec 2020	Open non- competitive DVA selection advisory Panel	\$29,968	The organisation is registered in Melbourne however the grant will be delivered in the Gippsland electorate.	MC19-003921
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorati ve Grants Program	East Gippsland Shire Council 3875	Repair and restore the Bairnsdale War Memorial.  Apr 2020-Feb 2021	Open Competitive Independent Commemorative Advisory Committee	\$137,290	Nil	MC20-000505
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service Commemorati ve Grants Program	Twin Rivers Men's Shed Association Inc. 3903	Supply two flagpoles to be installed between Johnsonville Public Hall and the proposed Twin Rivers Community Hub.  Apr 2020-Feb 2021	Open Competitive Independent Commemorative Advisory Committee	\$2,987	Nil	MC20-000505
The Hon Peter Dutton MP	Dickson QLD	Department of Home Affairs	Safer Communities Fund Round 3	Vineyard Christian Fellowship of Pine Rivers Incorporated 4501	Purchase and install seven CCTV cameras and nine security lights.  Mar 2019 – Jun 2020	Open Competitive Business Grants Hub	\$9,880	Nil	MC20-000638

The Hon Peter Dutton MP	Dickson QLD	Department of Home Affairs	Safer Communities Fund Round 3	St Vincent de Paul Society Queensland, Lawnton 4801	Purchase and install six CCTV. Mar 2019-June 2020	Open Competitive Business Grants Hub	\$4,521	Nil	MC20-000638
The Hon Susan Ley MP	Farrer NSW	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment	Australian Heritage Grants Program	NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment 2124	Willandra Lakes Community Research and Teaching Centre, Mungo National Park; Adaptive reuse of the existing 1920's Leaguer Homestead June 2020 – Nov 2021	Open Competitive Department	\$400,000	The grant Activity will be located in the electorate of Farrer.	MC20-000798
The Hon Paul Fletcher MP	Bradfield NSW	Former Department of Communications and the Arts	Festivals Australia	Tyalgum Music Festival 2076	For the Tyalgum Roving Opera July 2019-Oct 2019	Competitive Department	\$16,000	This grant was not reported in the previous reporting period due to an error from Minister Fletcher's department.	MC20-001505

The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment	Communities Combatting Pest and Weed Impacts During Drought Program – Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds - Round 2	Maranoa Regional Council 4455	The project provides enhanced vertebrate pest control to landholders in the Maranoa who are suffering the impacts of pest animals. Jun 2020-Dec 2021	Competitive Independent Assessment by a Selection Advisory Panel	\$405,000	Grant awarded in May 2020 with the agreement to commence in June 2020.	MC20-001310
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment	Communities Combatting Pest and Weed Impacts During Drought Program – Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds - Round 2	Western Downs Regional Council 4405	Targeted project to deliver coordinated and strategic on-ground, impact-based pest programs across the Western Downs. Jun 2020-Dec 2021	Competitive Selection Advisory Panel	\$395,200	This will give landholders the capacity to fight the insurgence of weeds and pests that is likely to prevail. Grant awarded in May 2020 with the agreement to commence in June 2020	MC20-001310

The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment	Communities Combatting Pest and Weed Impacts During Drought Program – Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds - Round 2	Southern Downs Regional Council 4370	Three projects that will make a significant contribution to the management of key weeds and pest animals.  Jun 2020-Dec 2021	Competitive Selection Advisory Panel	\$434,020	Grant awarded in May 2020 with the agreement to commence in June 2020	MC20-001310
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment	National Landcare Program – Smart Farms Small Grants Round 3	Cotton Australia Ltd 4350	Support land manager practice change to deliver more sustainable and profitable agricultural industries and protect Australia's natural resources.  May 2020- Apr 2022	Competitive Community grants hub , the Department and an expert selection advisory panel	\$15,000	The total grant was for \$50,000, however \$15,000 was for sites in the Minister's electorate.	MC20-000727
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	The former Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development	Community Development Grant Programme	Coolamon Rovers Football Club Inc. 2701	Supply and install LED scoreboard, sound system and PC to enable scoreboard operation.  Mar 2020 to Oct 2020	Closed non-competitive	\$30,000	Delivers on a 2019 Australian Government commitment	MC20-000378

The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications	Regional Airports Program Round One	Parkes Shire Council 2870	Minor works to three airstrips. June 2020-May 2021	Open Competitive Departmental recommendation	\$27,869	Nil	MC20-001308
The Hon Jason Wood MP	La Trobe VIC	Department Home Affairs	Safer Communities Fund Round 4	Minaret College Incorporated 3809	Support the installation of security infrastructure and hire security guards Nov 2019 – Sept 2021	Open non-competitive Business Grants Hub Departmental recommendation	\$900,000	The grant support project works at 2 campus locations at Minaret College. One of which is in the Minister's electorate	MC20-000916

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Minister	Electorate	Agency	Program	Grant Recipient	Postcode	Grant Type	Recommended by:	Grant Amount	Additional Information Provided in Letters	PDMS Reference No.
The Hon Alan Tudge MP	Aston VIC	Department of Home Affairs	Community Language Multicultural Grants Program Stream Two	Polish Community Council of Victoria Inc.	3166	Open-Competitive	The Department of Home Affairs, assessed by the Community Grants Hub	\$25,000		MC20-003399
The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon VIC	Department of Education, Skills and Employment	Destination Australia Program	Deakin University Warrnambool Campus	3280	Open-Competitive	The Department of Education, Skills and Employment	\$561,000	Scholarship program to support tertiary education in regional Australia	MC20-003256
*The Hon Dan Tehan MP	Wannon VIC	Department of Education, Skills and Employment	Powell Scholarship Fund	DemoDAIRY Foundation	3150	Ad hoc/one off	Department of Education, Skills and Employment	\$100,000	To provide improved learning outcomes for school students in Corangamite Shire	MC20-000669
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Building Excellence in Support and Training Funding Round 22	Gippsland Veterans Welfare Centre Gippsland, Sale	3850	Targeted Competitive	Department of Veterans' Affairs	\$11,500		MC20-001888
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service: Commemorative Grants Program	Gormandale and District Primary School	3873	Open-Competitive	Independent Commemorative Grants Advisory Committee	\$1,970	Purchase and install three flagpoles	MC20-003532
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service: Commemorative Grants Program	Jarrahmond Landcare Group	3888	Open-Competitive	Independent Commemorative Grants Advisory Committee	\$1,542	Install a flagpole at Jarrahmond Avenue as part of the Memorial	MC20-003532
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service: Commemorative Grants Program	Morwell RSL Sub-Branch	3840	Open-Competitive	Independent Commemorative Grants Advisory Committee	\$5,596	Restore the Yinnar memorial wall	MC20-003532

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The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service: Commemorative Grants Program	Sale RSL and Community Sub-Branch Inc.	3850	Open-Competitive	Independent Commemorative Grants Advisory Committee	\$3,000	Install plaque to commemorate 55 aircrew members	MC20-003532
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service: Commemorative Grants Program	Nowa Nowa Community Development Group Inc.	3887	Open-Competitive	Independent Commemorative Grants Advisory Committee	\$4,335	Re-landscape the area around the Nowa Nowa Anzac Memorial Sculptures	MC20-001643
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service: Commemorative Grants	Sale RSL & Community Sub-Branch Inc.	3850	Open-Competitive	Independent Commemorative Grants Advisory Committee	\$9,550	Develop a digital honour roll for display	MC20-001643
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service: Commemorative Grants Program	Yinnar South Primary School	3869	Open-Competitive	Independent Commemorative Grants Advisory Committee	\$2,000	Install two Flagpoles at the school	MC20-001643
The Hon Darren Chester MP	Gippsland VIC	Department of Veterans' Affairs	Saluting Their Service: Commemorative Grants Program	Yinnar Primary School	3869	Open-Competitive	Independent Commemorative Grants Advisory Committee	\$2,000	Install a flag pole	MC20-003010
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment	National Land Care Program - Smart Farms Small Grants Round 3	Cotton Australia Ltd	4350	Open Competitive	Expert Selection Advisory Panel and the Community Grants Hub	\$50,000 (\$15,000 is within the electorate)	To support land manager practice change to deliver more sustainable and profitable industries; protect Australia's biodiversity and natural resources and meet relevant international treaties.	MC20-000727

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The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications (DITRDC)	Laboratory extension and pipeline development project	Australian Age of Dinosaurs Limited	4735	Open-Competitive	Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) Ministerial panel, assessed by the Business Grants Hub (BGH)	\$415,333		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	St George Library Hub Precinct	Balonne Shire Council	4487	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$5,000,000		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	Bulloo Independent Living Units	Bulloo Shire Council	4492	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$1,785,110		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	Disability Respite Care Facility	Care Goondiwindi Ltd	4390	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$589,523		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	Creating Chinchilla Connections	Chinchilla Family Support Centre Inc	4413	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$77,712		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	WQLX Transit and Spelling Facility Upgrade project	Longreach Regional Council	4730	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$719,548		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	Gyrica Gardens - Multipurpose facility	Quilpie Shire Council	4480	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$707,763		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	Roughlie Community Hall	Roughlie Community Centre Inc	4455	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$160,420		MC20-002406

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The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	Kingaroy Transformation - *Community activation * Economic regeneration	South Burnett Regional Council	4610	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$4,500,000		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	New Multi-Purpose Facility - Stanthorpe Netball	Stanthorpe Netball Association Inc	4380	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$150,850		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	Re-development of Dalby Cultural Precinct: Myall107	Western Downs Regional Council	4405	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$7,056,500		MC20-002406
The Hon David Littleproud MP	Maranoa QLD	DITRDC	Windorah Rodeo Grounds Yard Expansion	Windorah Rodeo Club	4481	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$41,250		MC20-002406
The Hon Kevin Hogan MP	Page NSW	DITRDC	West Woolgoolga Sports Complex – a vibrant and healthy community space	Coffs Harbour City Council	2456	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$10,000,000		MC20-002406
The Hon Kevin Hogan MP	Page NSW	DITRDC	Casino Industries Activation Project	Richmond Valley Council	2470	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$1,540,687		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Extension of Bogan Shire Medical Centre	Bogan Shire Council	2825	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$350,218		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Ivanhoe Multi Service Outlet Development	Central Darling Shire Council	3079	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$450,000		MC20-002406

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The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Ward Oval Community Hub including Building and Early Learning Precinct	Cobar Shire Council	2835	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$6,732,075		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	From Little Things Big Things Grow	Condobolin Preschool Kindergarten Inc	2877	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$200,000		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Upgrades at Dubbo Dirt Bike Club to host the NSW Motocross Championships	Dubbo Dirt Bike Club Inc	2830	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$242,385		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Gilgandra Shire Library and Community Hub: 'the GIL'	Gilgandra Council	2872	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$1,479,772		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Condobolin Tourism Precinct - stage 3	Lachlan Council	2877	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$450,000		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Lake Cargelligo Swimming Pool Amenities Upgrade	Lachlan Council	2672	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$825,000		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	WINGS 'Our Youth, Our Future' Redevelopment, Wilcannia NSW	Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation	2836	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$1,656,150		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Narromine Over 55's Retirement Village and Residential Estate	Narromine Shire Council	2821	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$1,000,000		MC20-002406

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The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Upgrade transitional accommodation & gym area, construct vegetable garden	Orana Haven Aboriginal Corporation	2839	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$148,500		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Refurbishment and extension of the Bishop Fox Meal facility	St Vincent de Paul Society NSW	2880	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$336,465		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Warren District Heritage Museum and Art Gallery	Warren Museum and Gallery Association Inc	2824	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$3,541,665		MC20-002406
The Hon Mark Coulton MP	Parkes NSW	DITRDC	Robertson Oval Sport and Recreation Building	Warrumbungle Shire Council	2844	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$1,284,954		MC20-002406
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	DITRDC	Murrumbidgee Creek Beautification Project	Hilltops Council	2587	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$1,836,446		MC20-002406
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	DITRDC	Botanic Gardens Precinct Renewal project	Wagga Wagga City Council	2650	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$4,288,879		MC20-002406
The Hon Michael McCormack MP	Riverina NSW	DITRDC	Yalbillunga Boori Multi-Purpose Centre Solar Infrastructure Grant	Yalbillunga Boori Day Care Centre Aboriginal Corp	2794	Open-Competitive	BBRF Ministerial panel, assessed by BGH	\$20,000		MC20-002406

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The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	Round 20 – National Shed Development programme	Safety Beach Dromana Men's Shed	3936	Open Competitive	Australian Men's Shed Association Evaluation Panel	\$7,001	Gym equipment	MC20-002073
The Hon Greg Hunt MP	Flinders VIC	Department of Health	Round 20 – National Shed Development programme	Western Port Men's Shed	3920	Open Competitive	Australian Men's Shed Association Evaluation Panel	\$3,685	Health seminars, speakers and demonstrations	MC20-002073
The Hon Paul Fletcher MP	Bradfield NSW	DITRDC	Live Music Australia	Century Venues the Concourse Pty Ltd	2067	Open-Competitive	DITRDC	\$39,910	Equipment upgrades to support the establishment of the Concourse, a new live music venue in Northern Sydney	MC20-003171
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer VIC	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE)	Environment Restoration Fund	Deakin University	3280	Open-Competitive	Recommended by DAWE with advice from the Wildlife and Threatened Species Bushfire Recovery Expert Panel	\$328,131 (1.88% within electorate)		MC20-001806
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer VIC	DAWE	Environment Restoration Fund	Monash University	3800	Open-Competitive	Recommended by DAWE with advice from the Wildlife and Threatened Species Bushfire Recovery Expert Panel	\$255,060 (12.38% within electorate)		MC20-001806

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The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer VIC	DAWE	Environment Restoration Fund	The Trustee for Nature Glenelg Trust	5045	Open-Competitive	Recommended by DAWE with advice from the Wildlife and Threatened Species Bushfire Recovery Expert Panel	\$654,500 (0.50% within electorate)		MC20-001806
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer VIC	DAWE	Wildlife and Habitat Bushfire Recovery Program 2019-20 to 2020-21	Deakin University	3000		Recommended by DAWE with advice from the Wildlife and Threatened Species Bushfire Recovery Expert Panel	\$385,582 (2.33% within electorate)	Refuges for narrow range endemic invertebrates, butterflies and jewel beetles	MC20-002499
The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Farrer VIC	DAWE	Wildlife and Habitat Bushfire Recovery Program 2019-20 to 2020-21	La Trobe University	3086	Open-Competitive	Recommended by DAWE with advice from the Wildlife and Threatened Species Bushfire Recovery Expert Panel	\$342,323 (1.03% within electorate)	Impact of mega fires on priority land snail species is south-eastern Australia	MC20-002499

## Note:

- The Hon Dan Tehan MP Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment reported a grant awarded to DemoDAIRY Foundation in March 2020, this was not reported in the previous own electorate report as the grant was not officially awarded until June 2020.