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Hon Michelle Lensink MLC  
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Dear Ms Lensink

**APPLICATION UNDER THE *FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991***

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the Act), dated 24 August 2023.

Your application seeks access to:

*“All documents, including but not limited to emails, text messages, diary entries, briefings, notes on any other form of communication between the Minister and his office, including Chief of Staff, or any other staff member, and the Member for Newland and/or her office between 1/09/2022 and 30/11/2022.”*

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination. An extensive search was conducted within this office. A total of 19 documents were identified as answering the terms of your application.

I grant you access in full to 1 document; a copy of which is enclosed.  
I grant you access in part to 18 documents; copies of which are enclosed.

**Documents Released in Full**

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**Documents Released in Part**

Documents 1 – 9, 11 - 19

**Documents Released in Part**

Documents 1 – 9, 11 - 19 are released in part as they contain the name of a constituent within the Newland electorate and if released would involve the unreasonable disclosure of personal information. I therefore determine this information exempt pursuant to clause 6 to the FOI Act.

Out of scope information not pertaining to the FOI request have also been redacted.

## Exemption

### *Clause 6 – Documents affecting personal affairs*

- (1) A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead).

Please note, in compliance with Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045 - *Disclosure Logs for Non-Personal Information Released through Freedom of Information* (PC045), details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published in the agency's disclosure log. A copy of PC045 can be found at the following address: <https://dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. Please visit the website for further information.

No fees and charges are payable for this application.

If you are unhappy with this determination you are entitled to apply for an internal review, in accordance with section 29 of the FOI Act. To make an internal review application, please either write a letter or complete *Application for Review of Determination* form, to the Principal Officer of this agency, the Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP, within 30 (calendar) days after you receive this letter.

If you require any further information, please contact Vicky Cathro on (08) 7133 1100.

Yours sincerely



**Carly McNeill**  
Accredited FOI Officer

3 / 10 /2023

**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 2, 2022 2:29 PM  
**To:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** RE: 22MIT2771 Minister Koutsantonis - Constituent Enquiry of [redacted] - 260822

Dear Vicky

Please find attached Mr [redacted] correspondence.

Kind regards  
Sav  
*Office Manager*

OFFICE OF OLIVIA SAVVAS MP | MEMBER FOR NEWLAND



**Olivia Savvas MP**  
MEMBER FOR NEWLAND



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**From:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <[Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 2 September 2022 11:09 AM  
**To:** Newland EO <[Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** FW: 22MIT2771 Minister Koutsantonis - Constituent Enquiry of [redacted] - 260822

OFFICIAL

Good morning Ulian

The attached letter from Ms Savvas makes reference to correspondence provided by Mr [redacted]. Could you please provide Mr [redacted] correspondence to our office? [redacted]

Kind Regards  
Vicky

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**Sent:** Friday, 26 August 2022 3:48 PM



To: DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <[minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)>

Subject: 22MIT2771 Minister Koutsantonis - Constituent Enquiry of Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs - 260822

Dear Minister,

Find attached is a letter concerning Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs  
regarding the continued ownership of unique numerical registration plates.

Kind Regards,

**Ulilan Cox** | **Electorate Officer**

Office of Olivia Savvas MP | Member for Newland



**Olivia Savvas MP**  
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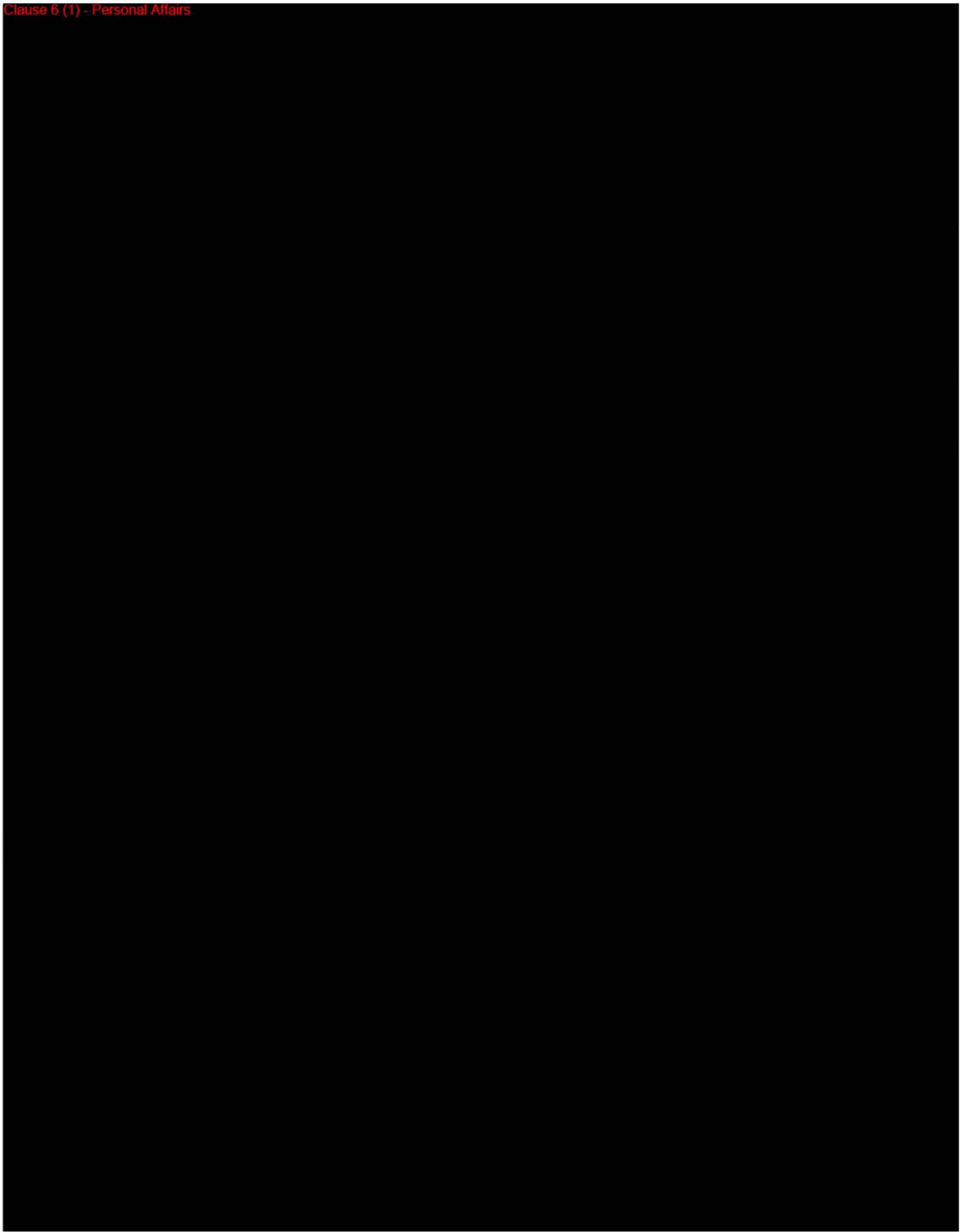
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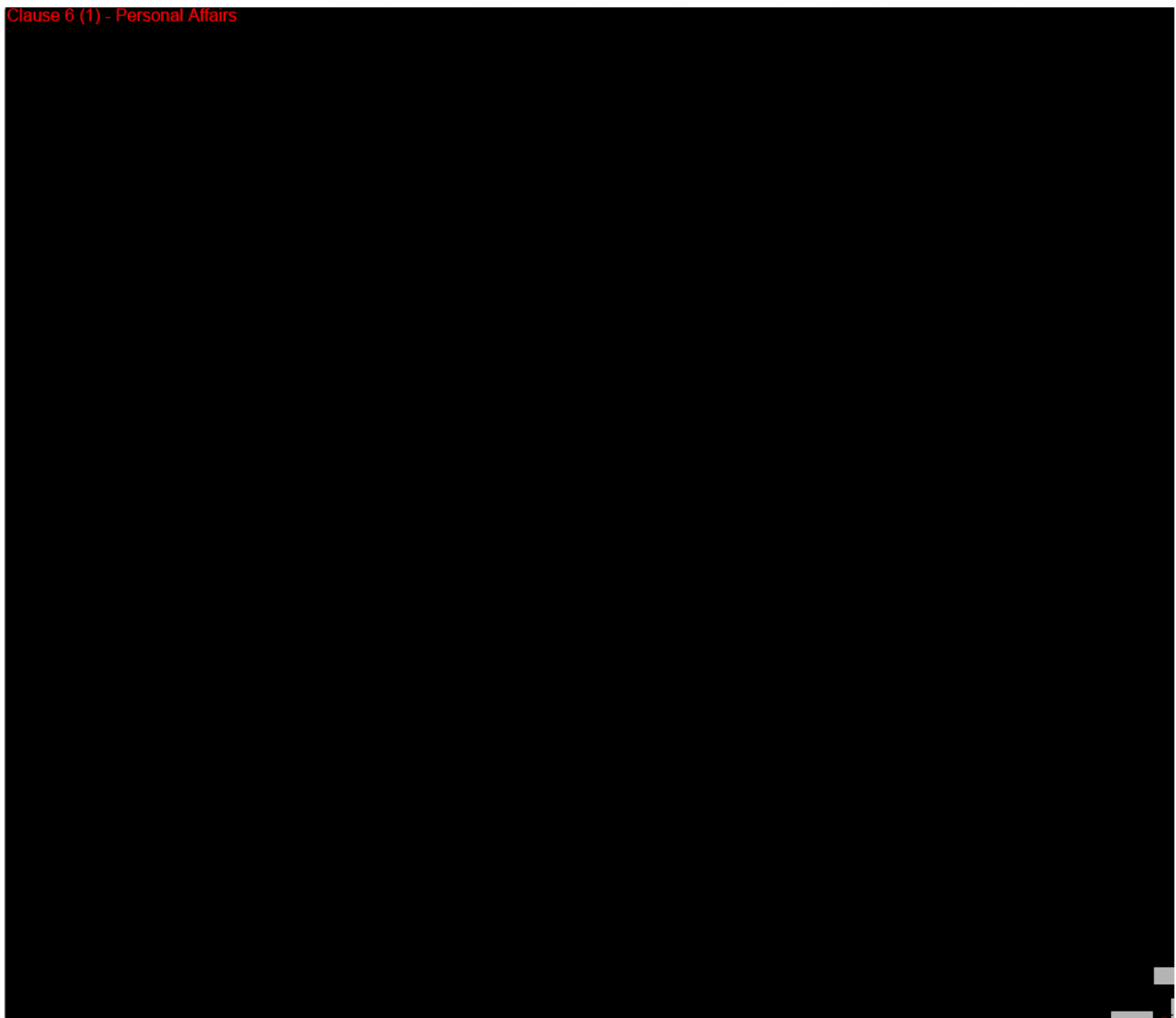
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**Cathro, Vicky (DIT)**

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**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Friday, 2 September 2022 2:45 PM  
**To:** Karastamatis, Anthony (DIT)  
**Subject:** FW: **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** [REDACTED] Bankisa Park (email 1 of 2)

Dear Anthony

Please see below correspondence relating to our discussion about Ms **Clause 6 (1) - [REDACTED]** situation. She is concerns that the restriction placed on her licence is different from the report provided by her specialist. The 10km driving radius will prevent her from attending her workplace and subsequent jeopardise her employment.

Can you please seek some advice for Ms **Clause 6 (1) - [REDACTED]** in this matter.

Apologies for the delay.

Kind regards

Sav

*Office Manager*

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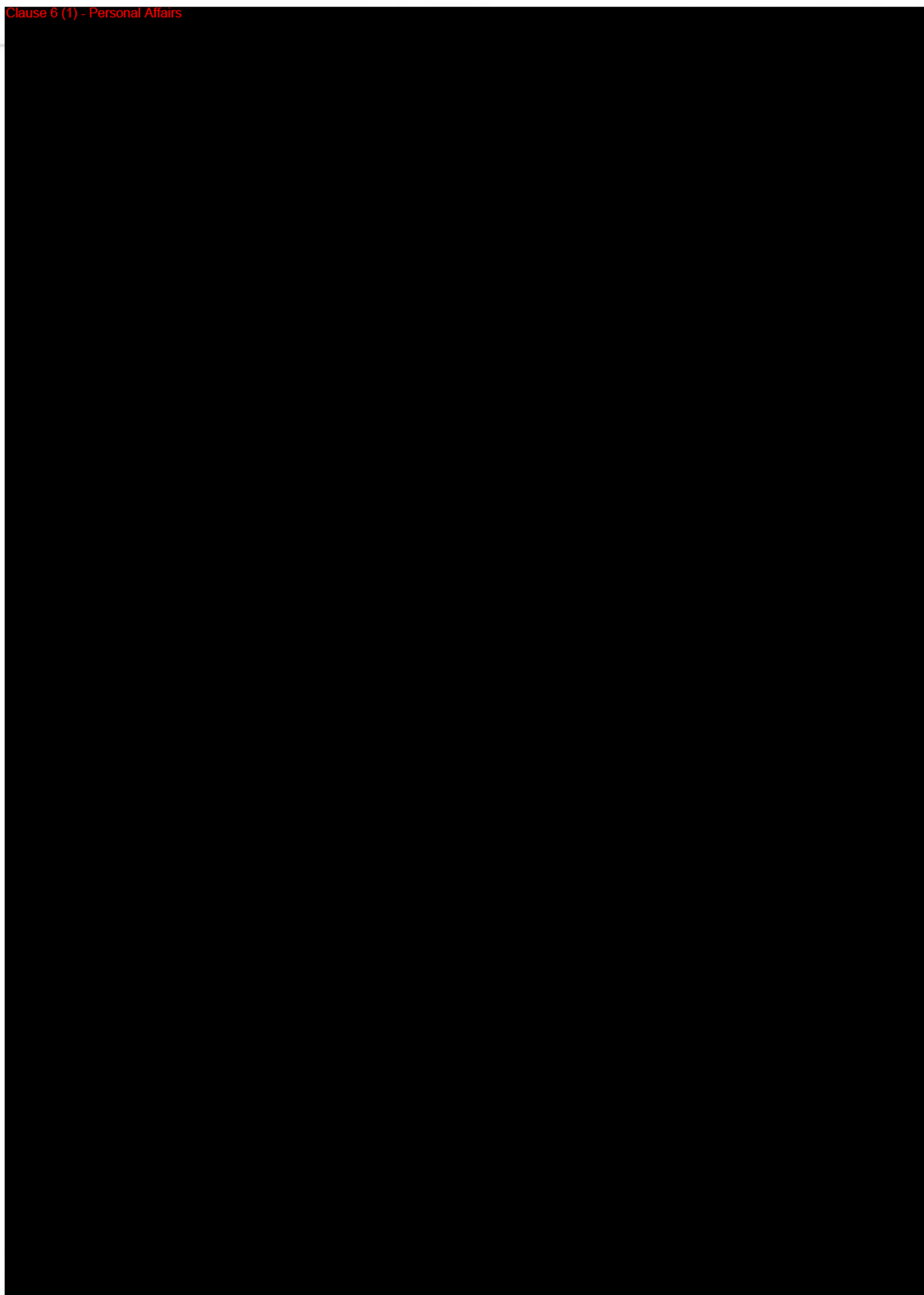
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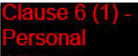
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Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

On 30 Aug 2022, at 10:36 am, Newland EO <[Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)> wrote:

Hi 

We've received your emails, and they are currently under consideration.

Please let us know if you receive a response from the Department.

I'll be in touch once we've received advice.

Kind regards

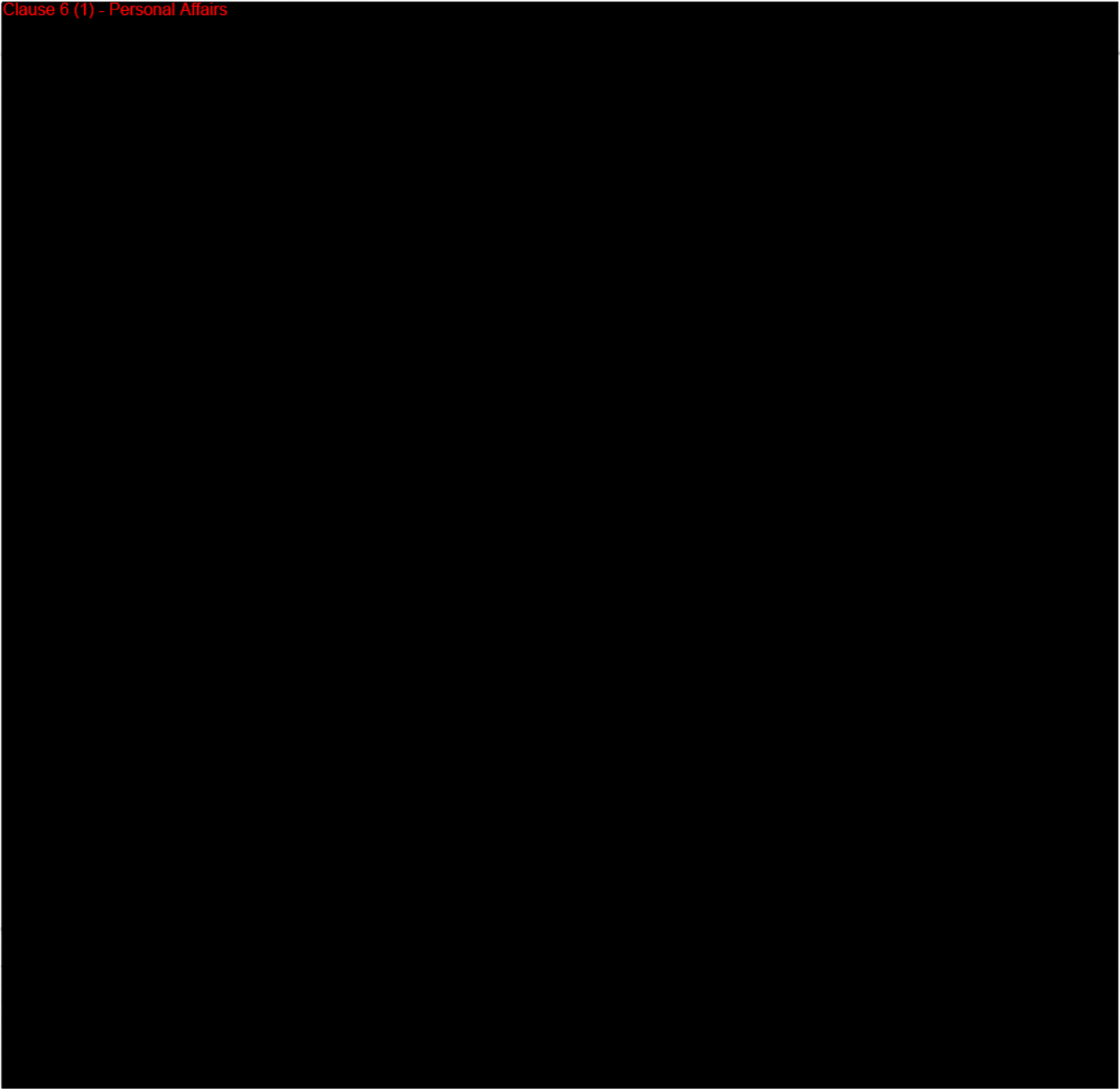
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Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs





The Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP



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Ms Olivia Savvas MP  
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Dear Ms Savvas *Olivia,*

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** about the damage caused to her vehicle whilst she was travelling along Grand Junction Road, Hope Valley on 26 July 2022.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport advises that the subcontractor responsible for works on the road has been in contact with Ms **Clause 6 (1) -** and agreed to reimburse the costs for replacing the quarter glass panel that was shattered.

I trust this resolves the matter.

Yours sincerely

*Tom Koutsantonis*  
Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

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Dear Ms Savvas

Thank you for your letter, on behalf of Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs about bus stops on Grenfell Street for O-Bahn users.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) advises that as part of the O-Bahn City Access Project, which introduced the O-Bahn tunnel from Hackney Road to Grenfell Street, changes were made to the majority of O-Bahn bus services to allow them to access the tunnel.

At this time, bus stops along the entire Currie-Grenfell Street corridor were reviewed with a number of changes made to improve the efficiency of the corridor, however, O-Bahn buses have always used bus stops S1 and H1 at Hindmarsh Square. Bus stops located closer to the east end of Grenfell Street (bus stops I1 and R1) are used by East West buses.

It is not possible to have O-Bahn buses stops at these two stops due to their proximity to the entry and exit portals of the O-Bahn Access tunnel, which could result in safety issues due to the potential queuing of buses so close to the tunnel portal.

Changes to bus stops along Currie/Grenfell Street occurred in December 2017, with no changes to O-Bahn bus stops in this area since that time. As mentioned above, O-Bahn buses have always used S1 and H1 at Hindmarsh Square and therefore no changes were made during COVID-19.

With regard to special events such as the Fringe Festival and Adelaide 500, the Department will consider Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs suggestion as part of the planning process for the events.

Yours sincerely

  
**Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP**  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

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Dear Ms Savvas *Olivia,*

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** about infrastructure improvements to encourage more people to walk and ride and choose sustainable transport options.

Expanding on and off road cycling infrastructure and improving conditions for people riding and walking in South Australia is a key priority for the State Government.

Extensive research conducted all over the world continues to reaffirm that riding, walking and choosing more sustainable transport options, including public transport, improves health and wellbeing, reduces vehicle congestion, and generates economic benefits.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) advises that is currently working on a draft 2022-2032 Cycling Strategy for South Australia and its vision is that riding is an enjoyable and safe recreational, sport and transport option in South Australia.

Furthermore, the draft strategy will build on the existing success in South Australia and drive continuous improvement to conditions for riders to encourage more South Australians to ride.

The South Australian Government collaborates with local Councils, to deliver cycling infrastructure improvements in metropolitan and regional areas, with funding being made available through the State Bicycle Fund.

I encourage Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** to liaise with City of Tea Tree Gully (the Council), regarding improvements to lighting along the River Torrens Linear Path between Tea Tree Plaza and Grand Junction Road.

Should the Council support the project, it can apply for matching contribution through the State Bicycle Fund.

Yours sincerely

*Tom Koutsantonis*

Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

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Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
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By email: [minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)

Dear Minister *Tom*

I write to you on behalf of Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Modbury North.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs is concerned with offensive personalised plates on vehicles. He has advised me that more could be done to prevent offensive plates being approved for use.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs would like to be informed about the screening process that is applied to personalised plate applications. He has also requested that he is provided with a practical contact number that will allow residents to lodge complaints against vehicle owners who have offensive plates.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and I look forward to receiving your response so that I can reply to Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact my office on 8264 4482 or [newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Olivia Savvas'.

**Olivia Savvas MP**  
*Member for Newland*

*21* September 2022



Hon Tom Koutsantonis  
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By Email: [minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)

Dear Minister,

I write to you on behalf of Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Banksia Park.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs is concerned with the lack of assistance from the relevant authorities regarding the installation of solar panels on his property, as part of the SA Governments Pensioner Solar Scheme.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs mentions that he had seen a Government advertisement regarding the solar subsidy a few years ago and was informed that he would fit the criteria for accessing the scheme. He proceeded with the application process and was approved for a free solar installation. The company, at the time, inspected his property and was told that he had qualified for the scheme and that he would receive additional correspondence regarding a start date.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs mentioned that after several months, he still had received no correspondence from the solar company that had originally inspected his property. After approximately 8-12 months, he received a call informing him that Zen Energy would now be taking over the role of installing the panels on his property. Despite this, a representative from Zen Energy informed Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs that he no longer qualified for the scheme and that the solar panels would not be installed on his property.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs has requested an update on the Government's solar scheme for pensioners, and greater clarity surrounding his concern. It is recommended that a senior officer from the Department contact him directly to address this matter directly. He can be contacted via his daughter's email address at

Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

Please find enclosed correspondence provided to me by Mr. Clause 6 (1) - P I concerning this matter.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and I look forward to receiving your response so that I can reply to Mr. Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

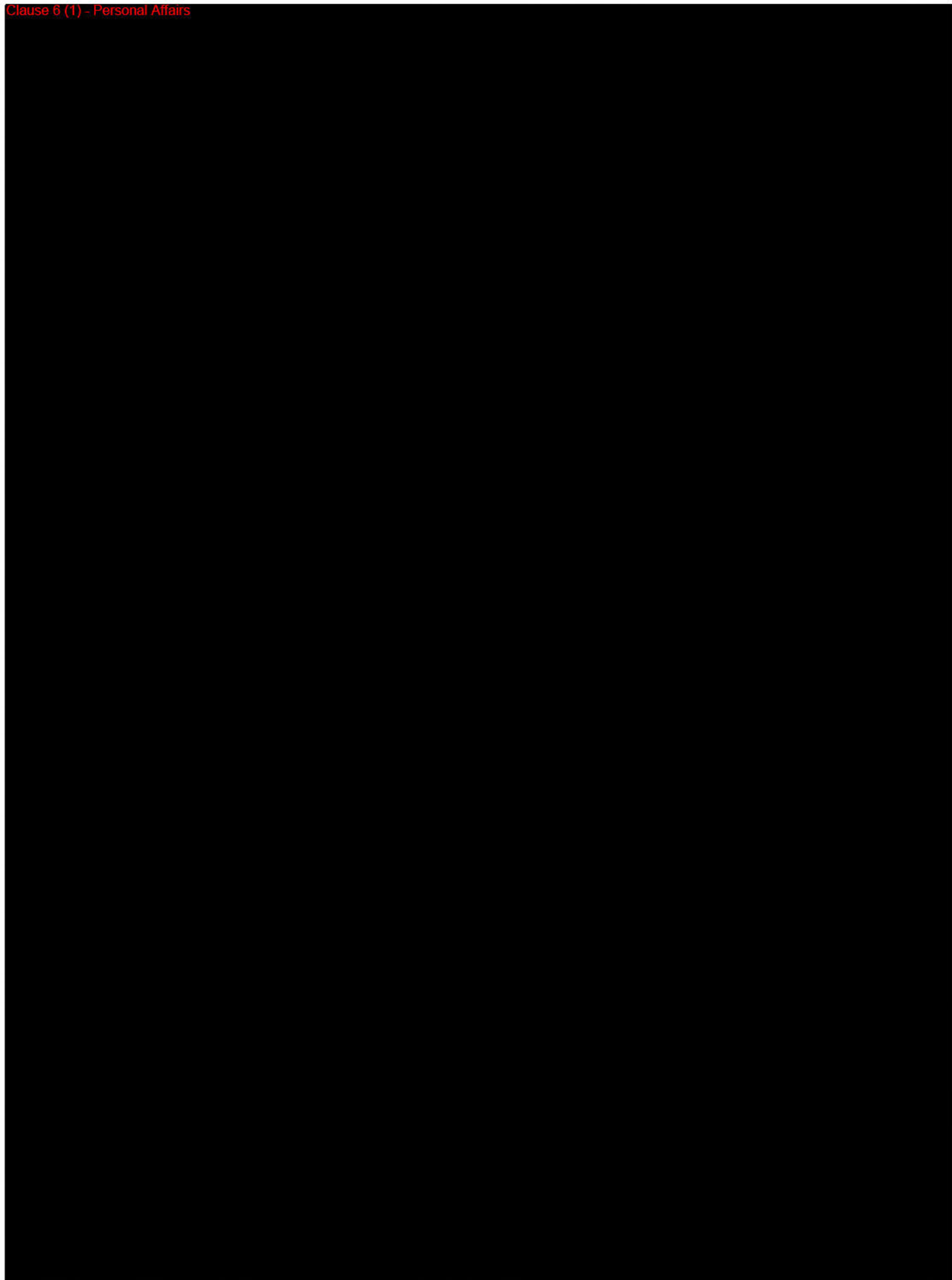
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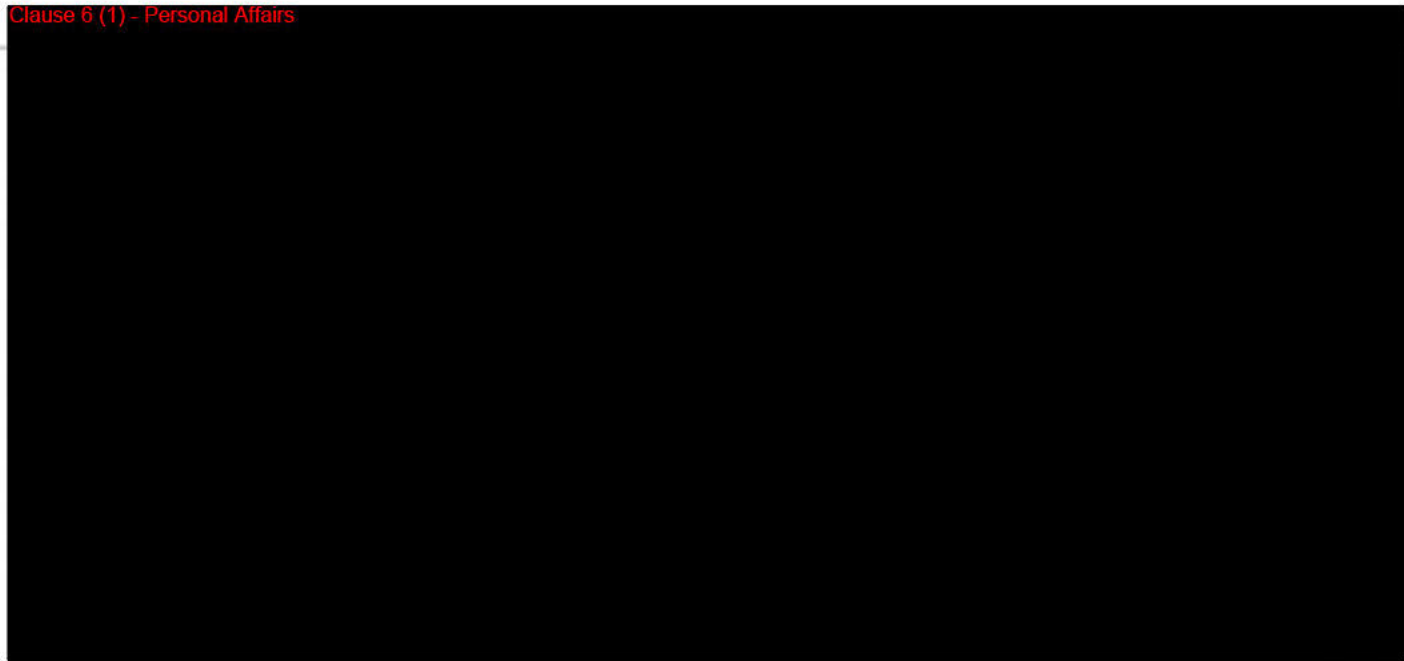
Yours sincerely,

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Dear Ms Savvas *Olivia*

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs about a shortage of specialist truck driving instructors.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) advises that heavy vehicle driver training is conducted by licenced Motor Driving Instructors (MDIs) while assessments are conducted by MDIs who have been appointed as Authorised Examiners by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles (the Registrar).

Both MDIs and Authorised Examiners are private sector operators who often work for registered training organisations.

South Australia and other jurisdictions nationally have agreed on standards for MDIs and heavy vehicle driving assessment for the issue of driver's licences. As a result, applicants to become licenced MDIs must meet a number of licensing prerequisites and complete the Certificate IV in Transport and Logistics Road Transport – Heavy Vehicle Driving Instruction.

There has been some concern nationally about the ability to attract suitably qualified and competent heavy vehicle operators to become MDIs and assessors. There is currently a review underway of the National Heavy Vehicle Driver Competency Framework and recruitment to the industry will be one of the areas to be addressed.

Furthermore, South Australia has a program that allows heavy vehicle truck drivers who are eligible to become MDIs to fast track directly to become Authorised Examiners in any licence classes, Medium Rigid, Heavy Rigid, Heavy Combination or Multi Combination.

This provides a streamlined process to be eligible to deliver heavy vehicle training and assessment services in more licence classes than would be available if they were required to progress through each licence class in turn.

As heavy vehicle training and assessment is delivered by private sector operators on behalf of the Registrar, the Registrar has little or no control over the recruitment to the industry, instead this rests with the private sector to recruit, train and employ MDIs and Authorised Examiners to meet market demand.

In addition, the Registrar will licence MDIs and provide training and appoint qualifying and competent MDIs to become Authorised Examiners as they apply.

In regard to Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs individual situation, a senior officer from the Department contacted him to explain the process and provide information about the number of providers of heavy vehicle driver training and assessment throughout South Australia.

Moreover, while there is some delay due to demand, if Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs persists, the Department is confident that he will be able to book with one of these organisations.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



**Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP**  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

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**Cathro, Vicky (DIT)**

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**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 October 2022 3:39 PM  
**To:** Karastamatis, Anthony (DIT)  
**Subject:** RE: Mrs **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** renew licence

Thank Anthony

I'll let the resident know.

Sav  
*Office Manager*  
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**Olivia Savvas MP**  
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**From:** Karastamatis, Anthony (DIT) <Anthony.Karastamatis@sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 October 2022 3:30 PM  
**To:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** RE: Mrs **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** - renew licence

**UNOFFICIAL**

Hi Sav

Mrs **Clause 6 (1) - P** is able to head to an Australia Post and renew her licence.

Details of where she is able to do so can be found via this link: [SA.GOV.AU - Contact details and service centre locations \(www.sa.gov.au\)](#)

Hope this helps.

Thanks

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**From:** Newland EO <[Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 October 2022 1:47 PM  
**To:** Karastamatis, Anthony (DIT) <[Anthony.Karastamatis@sa.gov.au](mailto:Anthony.Karastamatis@sa.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** FW: Mrs **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** renew licence  
**Importance:** High

Hi Anthony

The email below relates to a licencing issue.

Can you assist this resident who would like to find an alternative way to renew her licence. She has had the same licence for 10 years and she would like to know whether she requires to visit a Service SA to take a new photo or can she simply pay the renew notice for another 3 years.



Happy to discuss.

Kind regards

Sav

*Office Manager*

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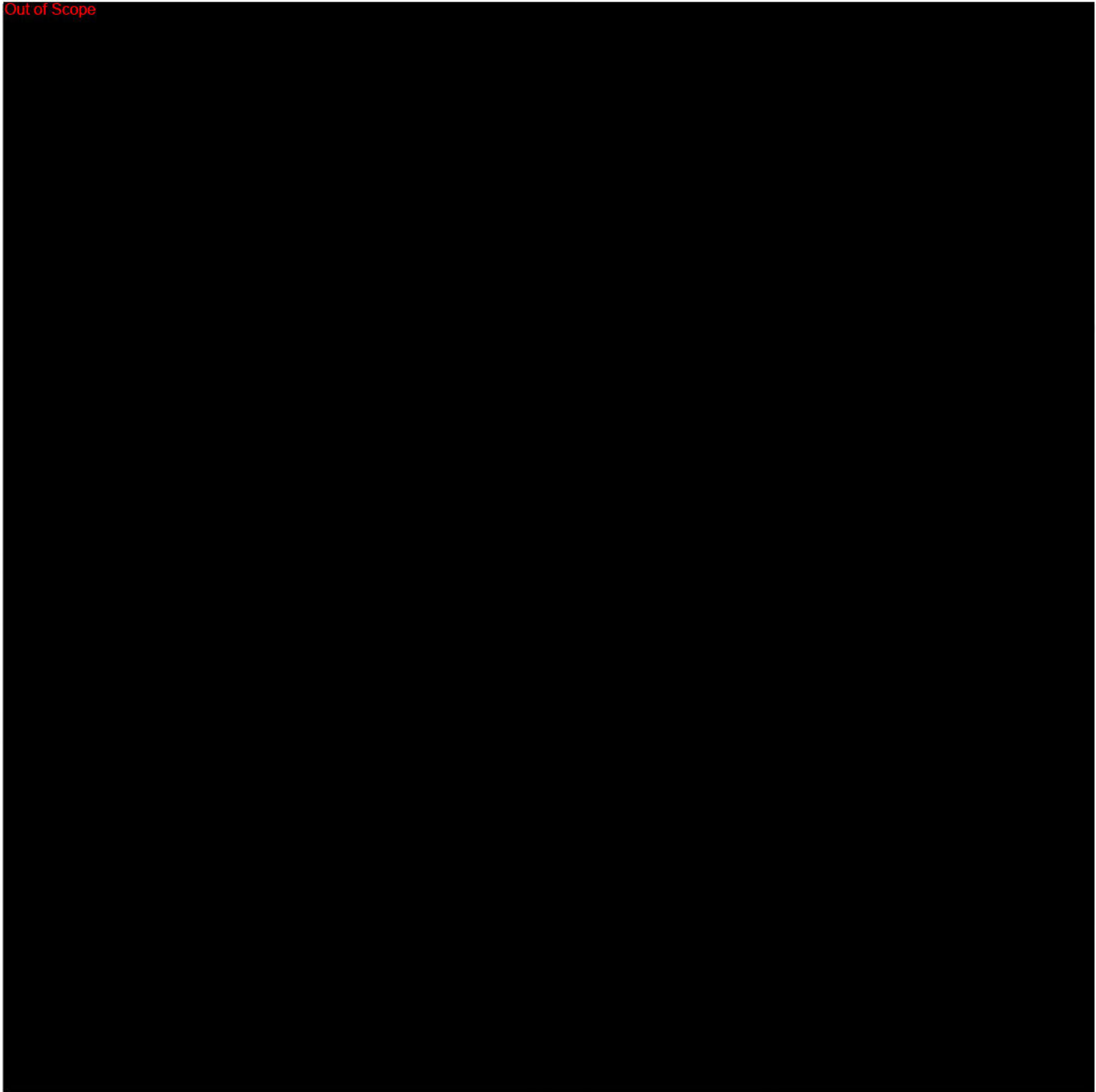
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**From:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 19, 2022 1:33 PM  
**To:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** RE: 22MIT3517 Overgrown vegetation on the median strip along North East Road.

## UNOFFICIAL

Dear Ms Savvas

Thank you for your email on behalf of your constituents about overgrown vegetation on the median strip along North East Road.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) advises that mowing of the median strip along this section of road was completed on 14 October 2022.

Yours sincerely

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**From:** Newland EO <[Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 October 2022 3:19 PM  
**To:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <[minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** 22MIT3517 Overgrown vegetation on the median strip along North East Road.

Dear Minister's Office

A number of residents have contacted our office regarding the condition of the median strips along North East Road between Tea Tree Plaza and Old Tea Tree Gully.

They have advised that there have been several near misses because of the overgrowth of vegetation which has obscured some low-lying signs such as no U-turn signs.

Residents also mentioned that part of the road will be used as part of the Bay to Birdwood this Sunday, and it would be embarrassing for local residents if the road is left in this condition for the event.

Can your office please liaise with DIT to have the median strips mowed as a matter of priority and provide us with an outcome so that we respond to the residents' concerns.

Kind regards

Sav

*Office Manager*

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**Cathro, Vicky (DIT)**

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**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 25 October 2022 3:00 PM  
**To:** Karastamatis, Anthony (DIT)  
**Cc:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis  
**Subject:** FW: Pensioner concession for car registration.

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Completed

Dear Anthony,

I hope this email finds you well. We have received an constituent enquiry from Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** St Agnes, regarding the application for the age pension concession for car registration.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** has informed me that due to the vehicle being legally under both himself and his wife, his application for the concession was denied as it was not subject to the criteria of eligibility.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** further explains that in order to receive the concession he would need to change the car ownership to his name only to qualify, as his wife is not currently under the age pension system.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** is seeking greater clarification on this issue, and whether if his current circumstances render him unable to receive the concession.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** is wishing confirmation either written or verbally from a senior officer from the Department regarding his concerns. He can be contacted on **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs**

If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate on contacting us back on (08) 8264 4482, alternatively, [newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au).

Sincerely,

**Ulian Cox | Electorate Officer**  
Office of Olivia Savvas MP | Member for Newland



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By Email: [minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)

Dear Minister, <sup>Tom</sup>

I write to you on behalf of Ms Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Tea Tree Gully.

Ms Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs is concerned with the 542X failing to twice stop at the F3 Grenfell Street stop. However, she is more generally concerned with the limited number of bus services available before the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ms Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs has requested if the Malinauskas Labor Government is pursuing to increase the number of bus services available prior to the cuts installed by the former Marshall Liberal Government during the pandemic.

Please find enclosed correspondence provided to me by Ms Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs concerning this matter.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and I look forward to receiving your response so that I can reply to Ms Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact my office on 8264 4482 or [newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au).

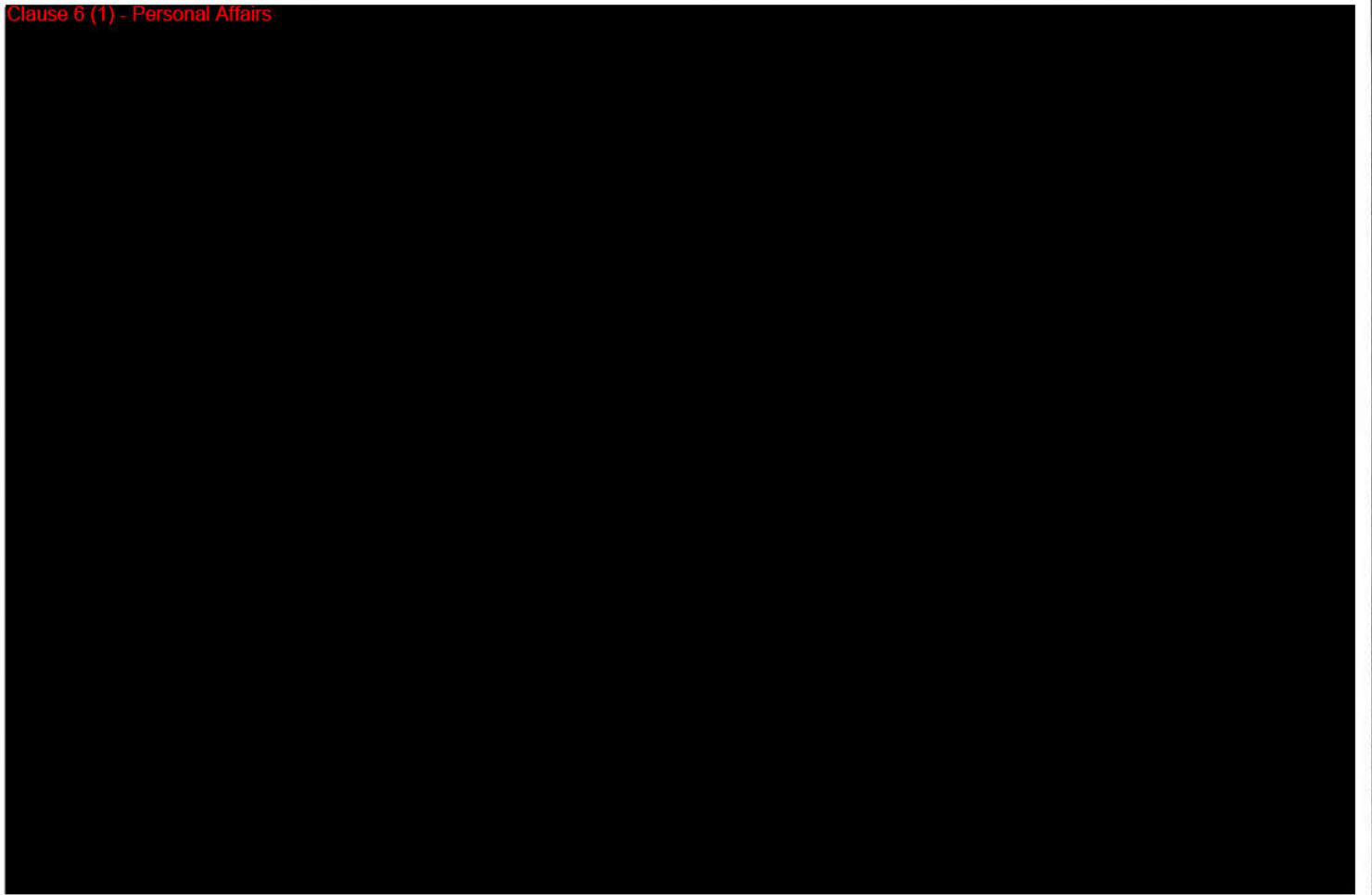
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Olivia Savvas'.

**Olivia Savvas MP**  
Member for Newland

8 November 2022





**From:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis  
**Sent:** Monday, November 14, 2022 12:52 PM  
**To:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** RE: 22MIT3873 Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Constituent Enquiry - Office of Olivia Savvas MP - 281022

## OFFICIAL

Good afternoon

Thank you for your email to the Office of the Hon. Tom Koutsantonis MP, Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Minister for Energy and Mining.

Your correspondence has been noted and will be referred to the Department for Infrastructure and Transport for consideration and direct response.

Yours sincerely

**Office of the Hon. Tom Koutsantonis MP**  
 Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
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**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Friday, 28 October 2022 11:49 AM  
**To:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** 22MIT3873 Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Constituent Enquiry - Office of Olivia Savvas MP - 281022

Dear Minister,

I hope this email finds you well. I write to you on behalf of Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Ridgehaven, regarding the challenges he is experiencing in reobtaining his driver's licence.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs explains that he had a stroke in early April 2022, which resulted in the registration authority (Authority) suspending his driver's licence. He was required to perform several tests, in order to reobtain his licence.

In July, Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs failed the first medical examination. Following on, Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs resubmitted and passed both the medical examination and simulator tests respectfully. He was then informed by the Authority that he was required to complete a driving test on the 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2022.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** is of the opinion that he was not informed about the additional driving test to reobtain his licence. He is sincerely requesting that his appointment to complete the driving test can be fast-tracked, as he fears that he may potentially lose his employment due to a prolonged absence in his ability to drive.

**Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs**

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** is requesting a senior officer from the Department to contact him regarding his situation. He can be contacted at **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs**

If there's anything you need, please don't hesitate on contacting us back on (08) 8264 4482, alternatively, [newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au).

Sincerely,

**Ulrian Cox | Electorate Officer**  
Office of Olivia Savvas MP | Member for Newland



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MEMBER FOR NEWLAND



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Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
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By Email: [minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)

Dear Minister,

I write to you on behalf of Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Fairview Park.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - has expressed interest in acquiring documentation about the former State Transport Authority (STA) and TransAdelaide at the State Records of South Australia.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs requires specific documentation as he is in the process of completing a research paper on the history of South Australia's bus transportation network.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - has requested any relevant documentation that might assist him and his organisation in this endeavour. From timetables, to run books, and the composition of the transportation's bus fleet, etc. He is of the opinion that accessing this information requires approval from the Minister.

Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs has a further enquiry surrounding bus planning and would like to be contacted by a relevant authority from the Department. He can be contacted via telephone at Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

Please find enclosed correspondence provided to me by Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal concerning this matter.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and I look forward to receiving your response so that I can reply to Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs



If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact my office on 8264 4482 or [newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,

**Olivia Savvas MP**  
*Member for Newland*

November 2022

**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 18, 2022 4:14 PM  
**To:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** 22MIT4220 RE: Missing correspondence from Mr [REDACTED] 22MIT4220 Minister Koutsantonis - Constituent Enquiry of [REDACTED] 151122

Hi Claudia

Here is the missing material

Thank you

Peter Field

**From:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <[Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 18 November 2022 2:47 PM  
**To:** Newland EO <[Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** Missing correspondence from Mr [REDACTED] 22MIT4220 Minister Koutsantonis - Constituent Enquiry of [REDACTED] 151122

**OFFICIAL: Sensitive**

Good Afternoon

Thank you for your letter from the Member for Newland, Olivia Savvas MP, regarding concerns from a local constituent, Mr [REDACTED] Fairview Park.

Unfortunately, the mentioned enclosed correspondence from Mr [REDACTED] wasn't attached.

Could you please re-send.

Thank you.

Kind regards

Claudia

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**From:** Newland EO <[Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 15 November 2022 3:03 PM

**To:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <[minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)>

**Subject:** 22MIT4220 Minister Koutsantonis - Constituent Enquiry of Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs 151122

Dear Minister,

I hope this email finds you well. Find attached a letter from the Member for Newland, Olivia Savvas MP, regarding concerns from a local constituent, Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Fairview Park.

If there's anything you need, please don't hesitate to contact Olivia's office on (08) 8264 4484, alternatively, [newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au).

Sincerely,

**Ulilan Cox** | **Electorate Officer**

Office of Olivia Savvas MP | Member for Newland



**Olivia Savvas MP**  
MEMBER FOR NEWLAND

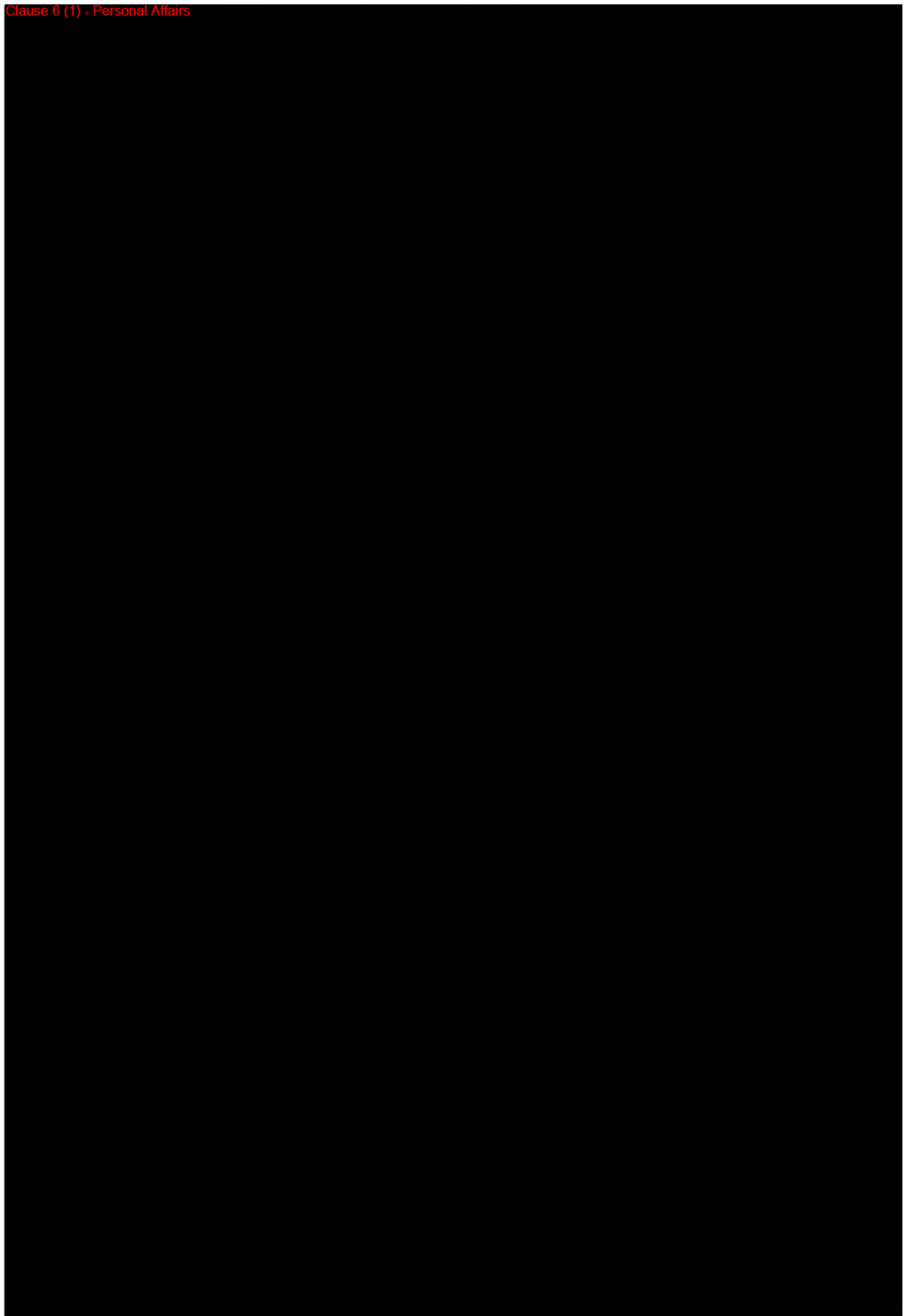


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Ms Olivia Savvas MP  
Member for Newland  
[newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)

Dear Ms Savvas *Olivia*

Thank you for your letter dated 21 September 2022, on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** about personalised number plates on motor vehicles. I apologise for the delay in responding to you.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) advises that the current process for approving special number plates, such as personalised plates, is governed by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles' (the Registrar's) number plate policy.

Plate content may be considered unsuitable if it contains inflammatory or defamatory references in any language and could be considered by a reasonable person to be inappropriate for public display. Examples include plate content that may:

- be offensive to any racial group;
- have a known profanity (in any language);
- have a sexual reference (in any language);
- have a religious profanity;
- promote poor road safety messages or violence;
- be derogatory or offensive slang terms for mental illness;
- contain offensive text speak; or
- reference gang names.

Prior to approving the issue of a particular number plate, the Department examines each combination to ensure it meets the standards of the Registrar's policy.

As you would appreciate, it is sometimes difficult to balance satisfying the client and not issuing combinations that may offend other members of the community. It is to be expected that individuals have their own perception of words that are offensive, and these may change over time as meanings and usage of words evolve.

Should Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** have an issue with a particular plate, it is recommended he lodge a complaint to [DIT.PlatesAdministration@sa.gov.au](mailto:DIT.PlatesAdministration@sa.gov.au). When a complaint is received about a particular plate that has previously been approved for issue, the complaint is investigated and the plate holder will be advised that the plate is being withdrawn by the Registrar (if applicable).

Yours sincerely

*Tom Koutsantonis*  
Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

18 / 4 / 2022

**From:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 10, 2022 8:17 AM  
**To:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** RE: 22MIT4073 RE: [Redacted] - Constituent Enquiry of [Redacted] 051022

**OFFICIAL**

Hi Ulian

Not a problem. Thanks for clarifying. I'll make sure to include a copy of your email in the file so there's no confusion in our office.

Kind Regards  
Vicky

**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 9 November 2022 5:20 PM  
**To:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** RE: 22MIT4073 RE: [Redacted] - Constituent Enquiry of [Redacted] 051022

Hi Vicky,

Unfortunately, there was a bit of miscommunication with Council. The actual location that the constituent has concerns is the pedestrian crossing between Torrens Valley International Residence (TVIR) and Tea Tree Plaza (image attached).

Sincerely,

**Ulian Cox | Electorate Officer**  
Office of Olivia Savvas MP | Member for Newland



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**From:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 9 November 2022 4:28 PM  
**To:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Subject:** RE: 22MIT4073 RE: [Redacted] - Constituent Enquiry of [Redacted] 051022

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Thanks Ulian. I should have mentioned this earlier also, but in the below email dated 4 November from Mr [Redacted] he mentions attaching a photo of a traffic light warning sign.

Could you also please provide?

Vicky

**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 9 November 2022 4:21 PM



To: DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <[Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)>  
Subject: RE: 22MIT4073 RE: [REDACTED] - Constituent Enquiry of [REDACTED] 051022

Dear Vicky,

I hope this email finds you well. I have attached the correspondence from the constituent here.

Sincerely,

**Ulian Cox | Electorate Officer**  
Office of Olivia Savvas MP | Member for Newland



**From:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <[Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:Minister.Koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 9 November 2022 3:25 PM  
**To:** Newland EO <[Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** RE: 22MIT4073 RE: [REDACTED] - Constituent Enquiry of [REDACTED] 051022

OFFICIAL

Hi Ulian

Thanks for your email. Could you please forward a copy of Ms [REDACTED] correspondence?

Kind Regards  
Vicky

**From:** Newland EO <[Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 8 November 2022 12:20 PM  
**To:** DIT:Minister Koutsantonis <[minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** 22MIT4073 RE: [REDACTED] - Constituent Enquiry of [REDACTED] 051022

Dear Minister,

I hope this email finds you well. Find attached a letter from the Member for Newland, Olivia Savvas MP, regarding concerns from a local constituent, Ms [REDACTED]

This was first addressed and sent to the Council for a response, however, the City of Tea Tree Gully have informed me that this section of Smart Road, Modbury is under the authority of the Department for Infrastructure and Transport and were unable to comment.

However, the concerns that the constituent is raising are nevertheless the same.

If there's anything you need, please don't hesitate to contact Olivia's office on (08) 8264 4484, alternatively, [newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au).

Sincerely,



**Ulian Cox | Electorate Officer**  
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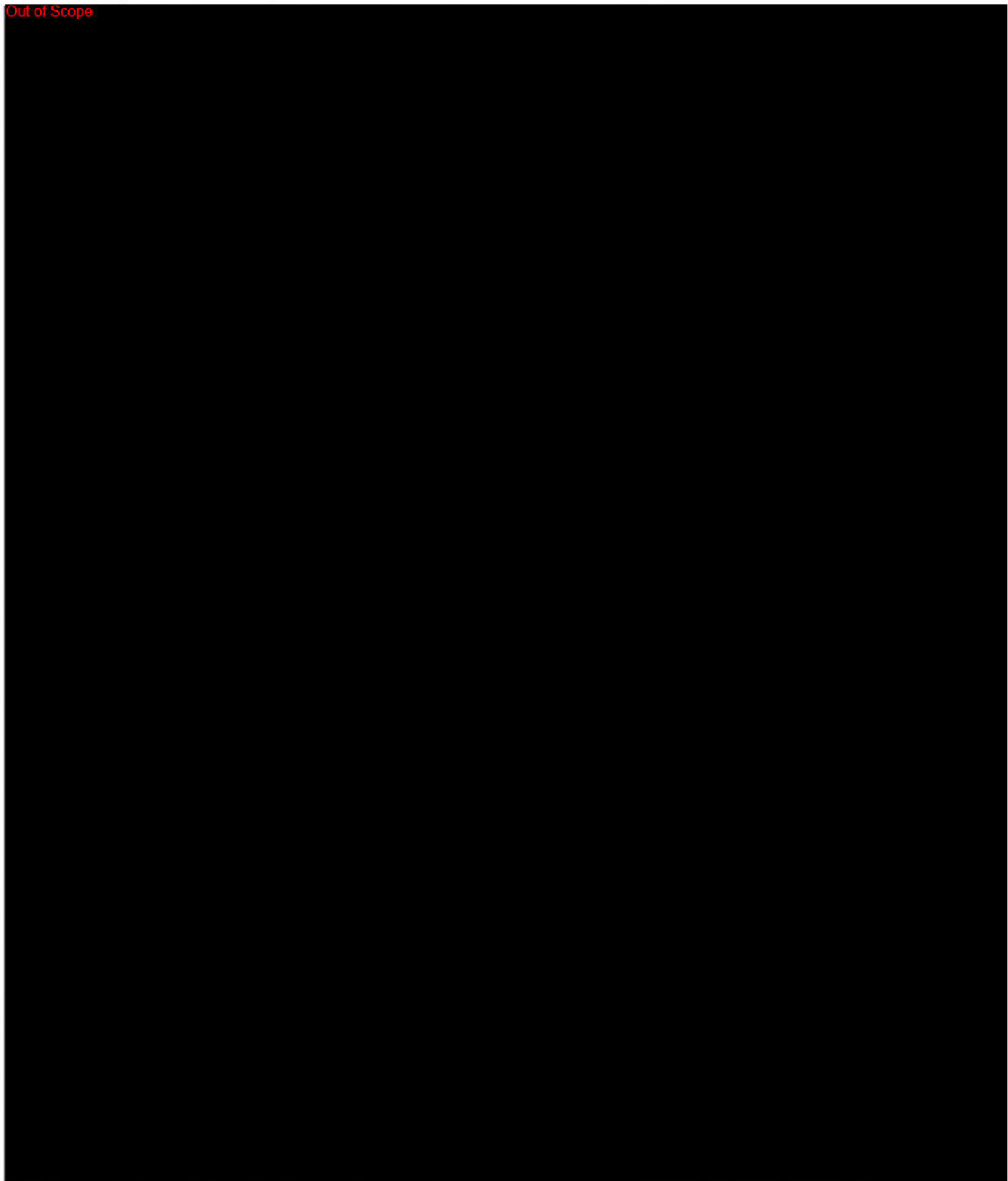
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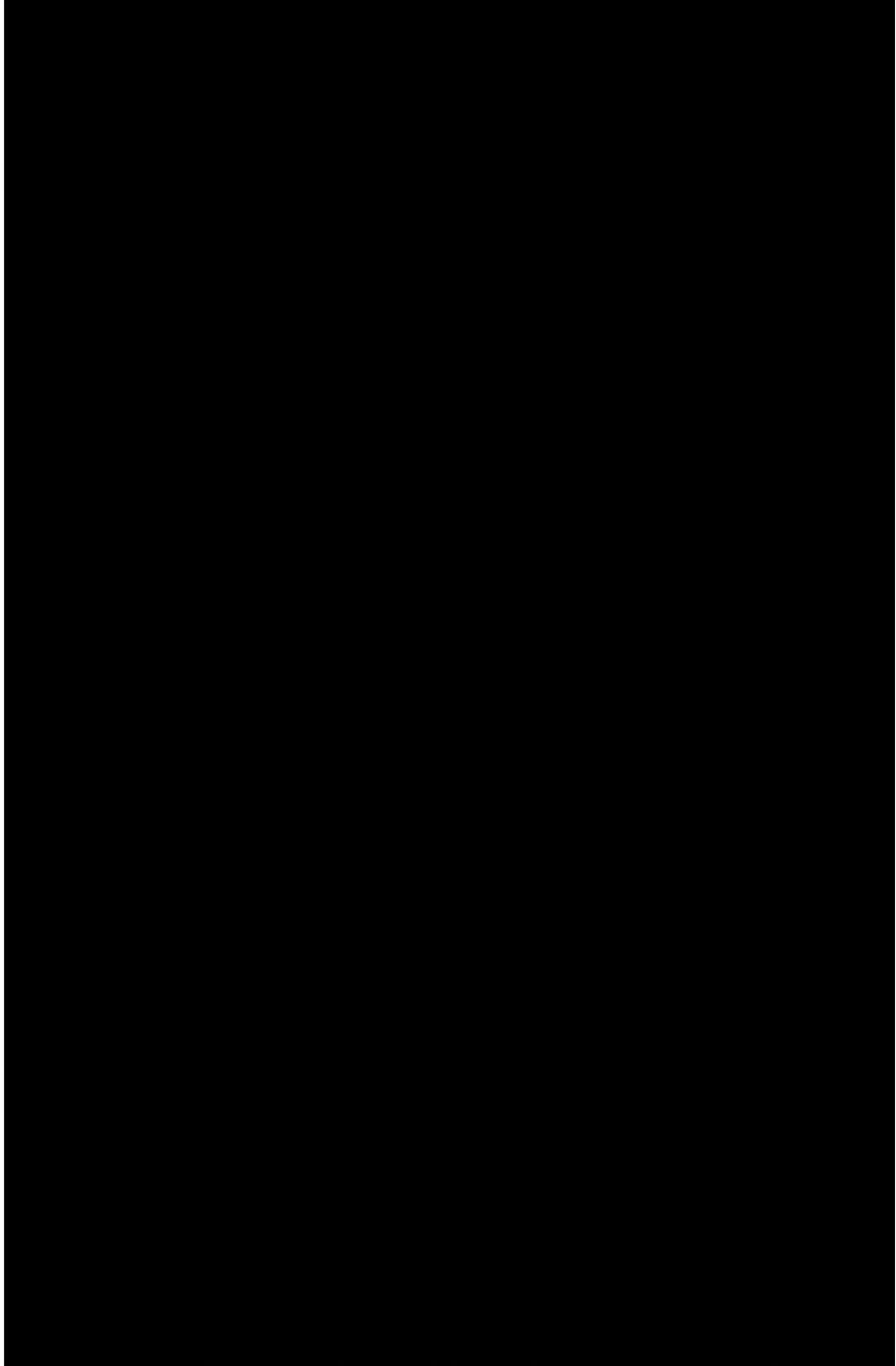
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**From:** Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 17 November 2022 2:43 PM  
**To:** Karastamatis, Anthony (DIT)  
**Subject:** FW: Response - road resurfacing work on Montague Road - Reservoir Road to North East Road - Office of Olivia Savvas MP - Sav

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hi Anthony

Are you able to investigate the matter below with DIT?

The road in question is a Council road but we were advised that the work was outsourced by DIT.

Kind regards  
Sav

*Office Manager*

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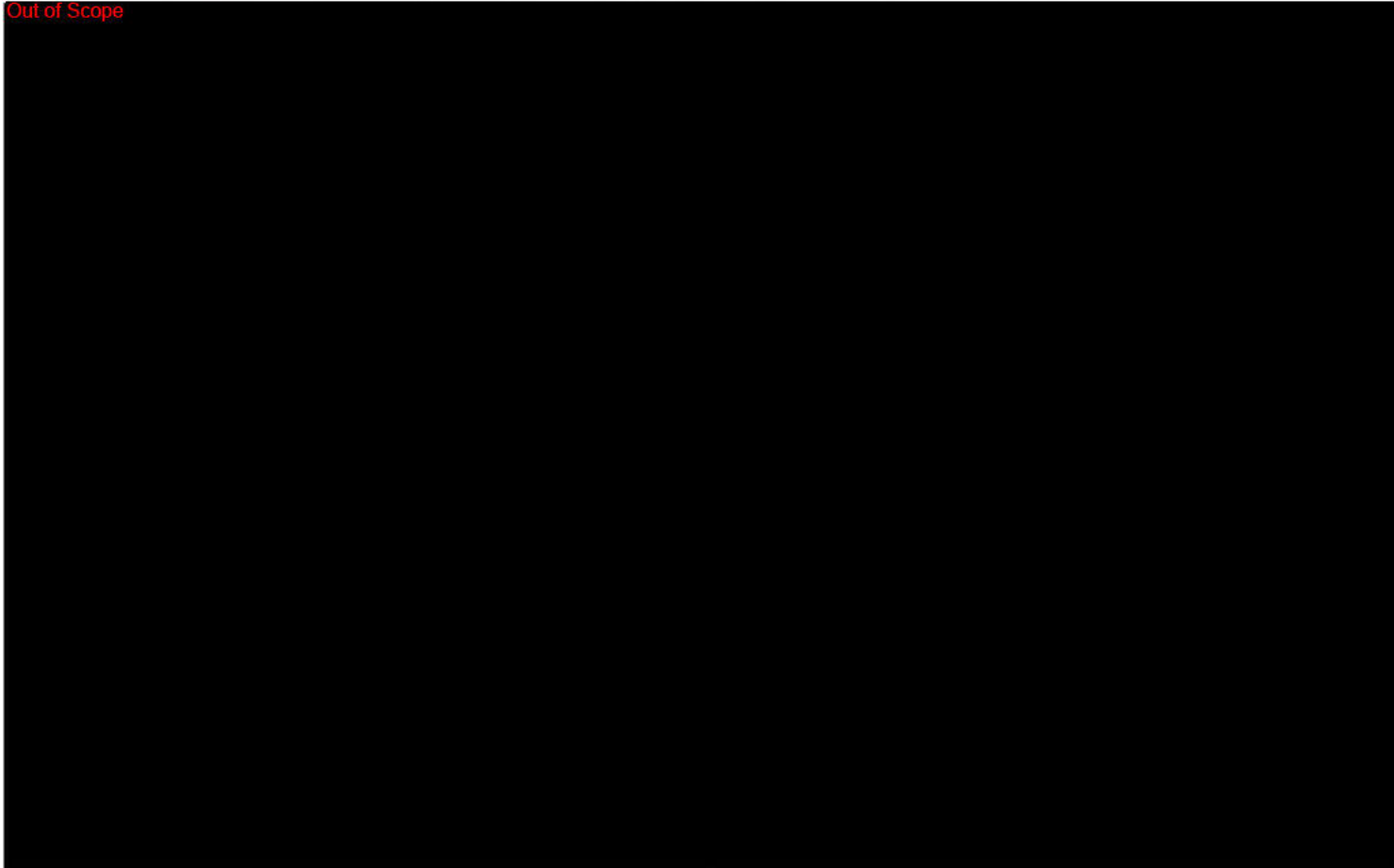
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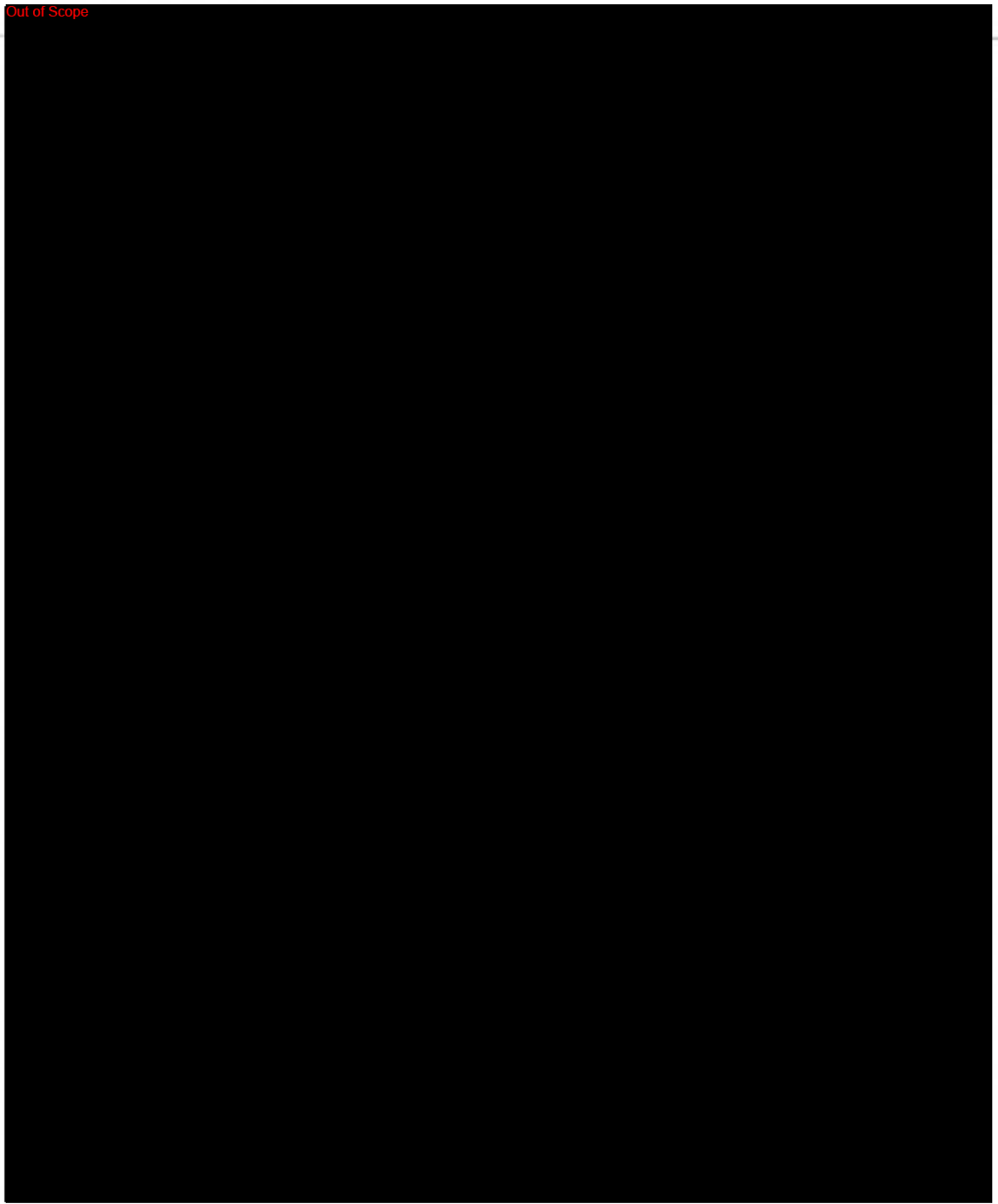


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Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

By Email: [minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au](mailto:minister.koutsantonis@sa.gov.au)

Dear Minister, <sup>Tom</sup>

I write to you on behalf of several residents on Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs St Agnes in my electorate of Newland.

Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs Several residents have contacted me about a power surge incident that occurred on Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs The power surge has left many residents with significant property damage. The impact ranges from minor electrical appliances to significant household equipment (air conditioning).

A damage claims form was filed on behalf of residents to SA Power Networks on the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022. A representative from SA Power Network informed affected homeowners that they are only liable for losses as a result of *supply abnormalities or failures* when it is caused by their own negligence or bad faith. They argue that their investigations had found no evidence of negligence or bad faith, as this incident was unforeseen and not within their control to prevent.

These residents are now facing the possibility to upfront the repair costs themselves over infrastructure that is owned and operated by SA Power Networks. They feel that this isn't acceptable, and a degree of responsibility needs to be applied to the Network.

Please find enclosed correspondence provided to me by Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs an affected resident, concerning this matter.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and I look forward to receiving your response so that I can reply to the residents of Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact my office on 8264 4482 or [newland@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:newland@parliament.sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Olivia Savvas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Olivia Savvas MP**  
*Member for Newland*

24 November 2022



