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Hon Ben Hood MLC  
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Dear Mr Hood

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

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (the Act), dated 12 May 2023.

Your application seeks access to:

*“All correspondence received from and sent to Erin Thompson MP, Member for Davenport, from March 20 2022 to September 20 2022.”*

An extension was sought to the 23 June 2023.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination. An extensive search was conducted within this office. A total of 39 documents were identified as answering the terms of your application.

I grant you access in full to 11 documents; copies of which are enclosed.  
I grant you access in part to 28 documents; copies of which are enclosed.

#### **Documents Released in Full**

2, 5, 6, 10, 15, 16, 19, 23, 25, 30, 33

#### **Documents Released in Part**

Documents 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, and 39 are all released in part as they contain the name of a constituent within the Davenport 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.

## 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

13 / 7 /2023

Erin  
**Thompson** MP  
State Member for DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis

Tom

I have recently been contacted by constituent Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** who is excited about Labor's proposed changes to historic registration and is keen to see them implemented as soon as possible.

Are you able to provide an update on when this policy will be rolled out so I can advise Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal**

I would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely

Erin Thompson MP

Member for Davenport

5 April 2022

**Erin**  
**Thompson MP**  
State Member for DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis

*Tom*

Congratulations on your election win and appointment as Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Energy and Mining and Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly.

I look forward to working with you as part of the new Labor team.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to assist you with your portfolio.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Erin Thompson'.

**Erin Thompson MP**  
Member for Davenport

☞ April 2022

# Erin Thompson MP

State Member for DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis

Tom

I have recently been contacted by Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Aff 1 a resident of Aberfoyle Park regarding public transport in the local area.

Mr Clause 6 catches both buses and trains to his job in the CBD and has experienced consistent delays with the G20, G21 and Flinders train services.

Mr Clause 6 is also concerned about the lack of communication regarding bus delays with users.

Are you able to advise what measures will be implemented to ensure our public transport system is reliable for people in the south?

I would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely

Erin Thompson MP

Member for Davenport

5 April 2022

# Erin Thompson MP

State Member for DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Dear Minister

My constituent Ms Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs O'Halloran Hill has raised concerns about water from South Road Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs  
Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

South Road is built considerably higher than their properties. Please view the photos attached.

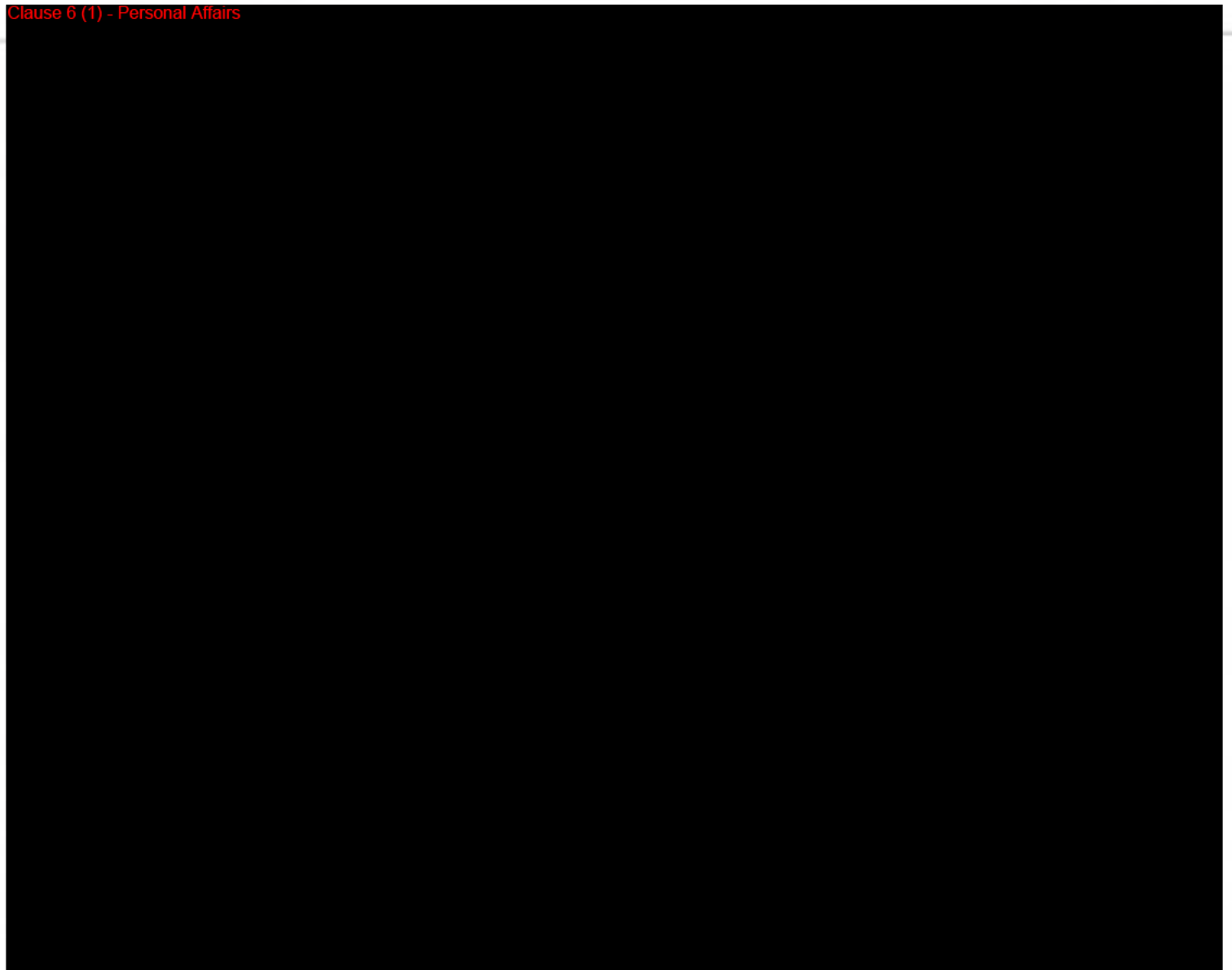
It would be appreciated if you could investigate their concerns and advise me of the outcome, so that I can respond to my constituent.

Yours sincerely

Erin Thompson MP  
Member for Davenport

8 April 2022

Attachments



**Erin**  
**Thompson MP**  
State Member for DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Dear Minister

I write regarding the Labor Malinauskas Government's pre election commitment to invest \$10 million to upgrade Main Road, Cherry Gardens and improve safety for road uses.

Locals are keen to see the road widened, resurfaced, hazards removed and guard rails installed. It's a project close to their hearts which they have been advocating for for many years.

Given this section of the road was rated the 4<sup>th</sup> most risky road by the RAA earlier this year, and there have been many accidents including a fatality. I sincerely hope this project can be prioritised.

Can you please provide information on a time frame for this project and when community consultation can commence?

I would appreciate an update so I can keep my community informed on this vital infrastructure project for our area.

I have also written to the Treasurer, Stephen Mullighan regarding this project.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Erin Thompson'.

Erin Thompson MP

Member for Davenport

8 April

2022



# Erin Thompson MP

State Member for DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Dear Minister

*Tom*

Many of my constituents have raised concerns with me regarding road and pedestrian safety on a section of Black Road between Main South Road and Flagstaff Rd.

Whilst the road was resealed in recent years, the soil is Bay of Biscay and it appears that in hindsight the road should have been reconstructed, as it is rather bumpy in sections.

Further to this, residents have been calling for a pedestrian path along one side to assist people trying to access public transport on Main South Road.

A few years ago, a pedestrian was killed walking home at night along the dangerous stretch. A footpath with sufficient lighting is of great need in this area.

I appreciate you investigating this matter and look forward to working with you to improve safety on our roads.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Erin Thompson'.

Erin Thompson MP

Member for Davenport

11 April 2022

INFR006

# Erin Thompson MP

State Member for DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis *Tom*

I have recently been contacted by Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** who is a resident of Aberfoyle Park in regard to the general notices which are printed in the Advertiser by the Department of Infrastructure and Transport.

He believes notices like the one I have attached are a waste of money as they are repetitive and importantly don't offer an address. He suggested a smaller notice that includes a link for more information and a land address would be better.

I would be grateful for your consideration of this matter so that I can respond to Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal**

Yours sincerely

*Erin Thompson*  
Erin Thompson MP

Member for Davenport

*19* April 2022

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## General Notices

### FORM 5 - NOTICE OF ACQUISITION LAND ACQUISITION ACT 1969

**(SECTION 16) 1. Notice of acquisition** The Commissioner of Highways (the Authority) of 50 Flinders Street, Adelaide SA 5000, acquires the following interests in the following land. Comprising an unencumbered estate in fee simple in that piece of land being the whole of Allotment 100 in Deposited Plan No 13171 comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 5433 Folio 653. This notice is given under section 16 of the Land Acquisition Act 1969.

**2. Compensation** A person who has or had an interest consisting of native title or an alienable interest in the land that is divested or diminished by the acquisition or the enjoyment of which is adversely affected by the acquisition who does not receive an offer of compensation from the Authority may apply to the Authority for compensation.

**2A. Payment of professional costs relating to acquisition (section 26B)** If you are the owner in fee simple of the land to which this notice relates, you may be entitled to a payment of \$10 000 from the Authority for use towards the payment of professional costs in relation to the acquisition of the land. Professional costs include legal costs, valuation costs and any other costs prescribed by the Land Acquisition Regulations 2019.

**3. Inquiries** Inquiries should be directed to: Petrus Pettas  
GPO Box 1533 Adelaide SA  
5001 Telephone: (08) 8343  
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2022 The Common Seal of the  
COMMISSIONER OF  
HIGHWAYS was hereto affixed  
by authority of the  
Commissioner in the presence  
of: Rocco Caruso Manager,  
Property Acquisition  
(Authorised Officer)  
Department for Infrastructure  
and Transport  
DIT 2021/15303/01

Erin Thompson MP  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis

Tom

I have recently been contacted by **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** which is located on **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** Chandlers Hill.

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

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

**Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** have valid concerns that the speed limit on this country road is too high to provide safe entry and exit **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs**

Locals are excited to have these new tourism attractions in the region, however the roads can be unsafe when wet or at high speed with non-local drivers.

I have attached some previous correspondence with the City of Onkaparinga and would appreciate your investigation into possibilities here.

I would be happy to meet with yourself or anyone from the department on site to explore options for a safer and more welcoming road **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs**

Yours sincerely

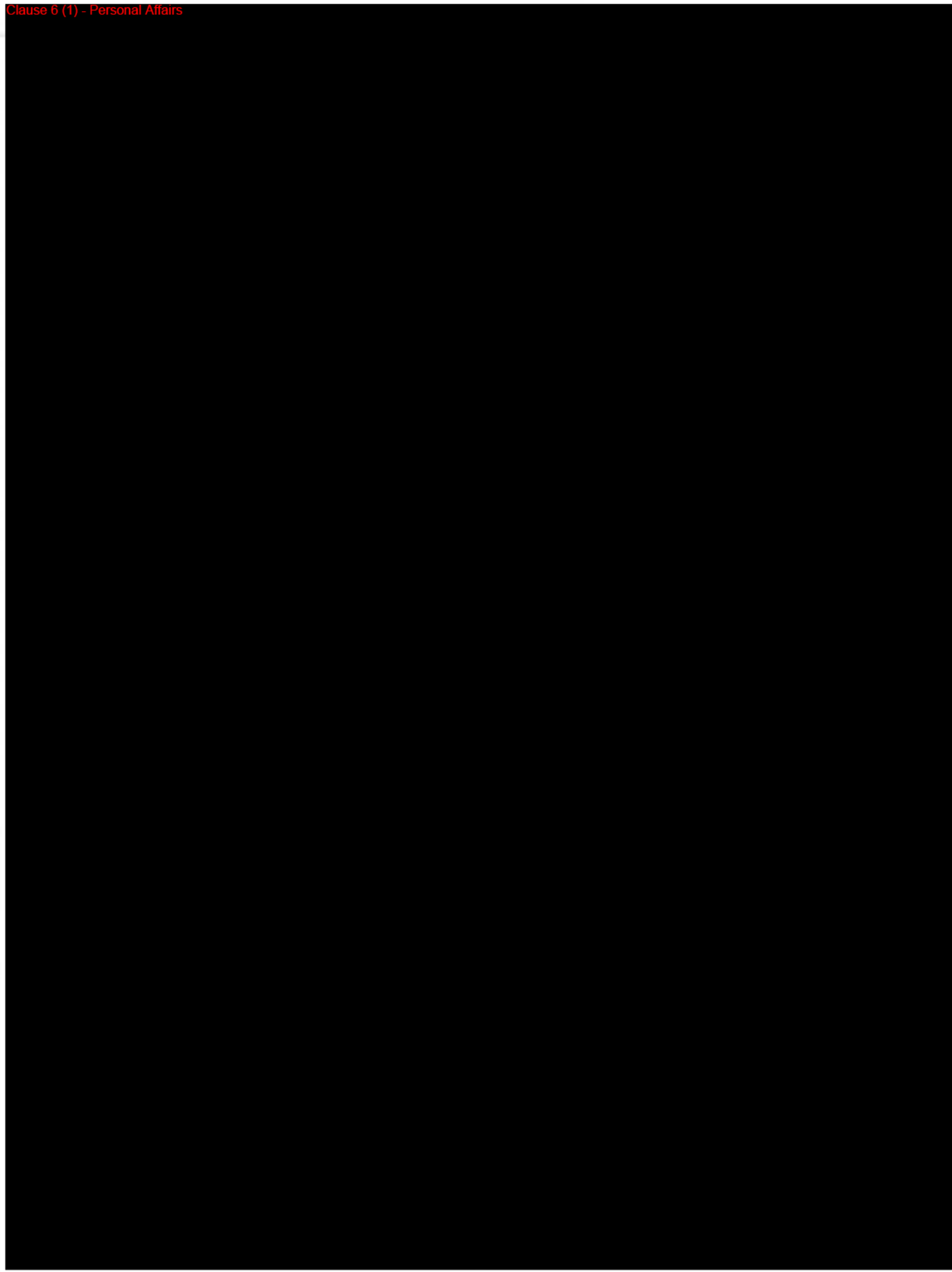
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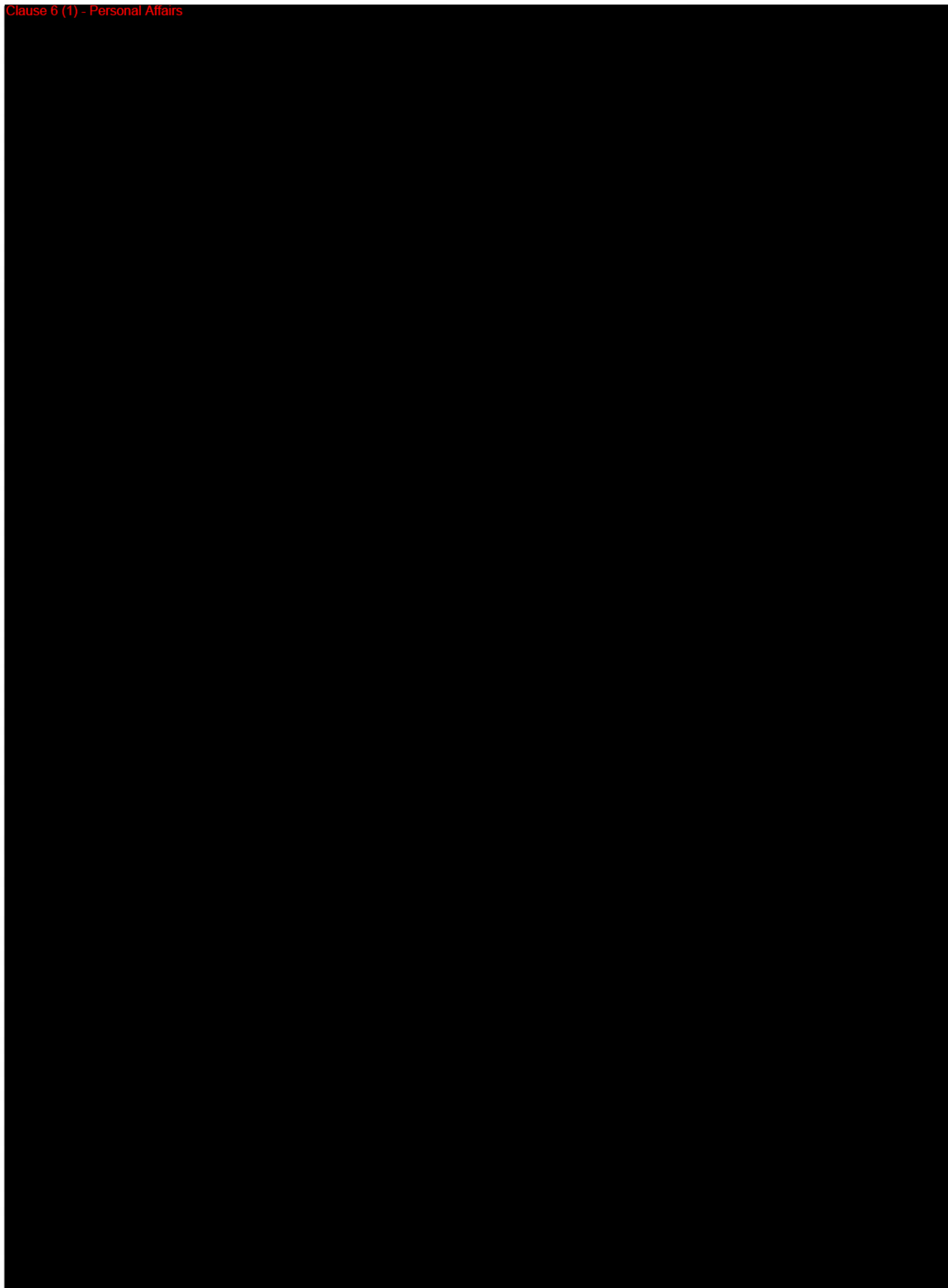
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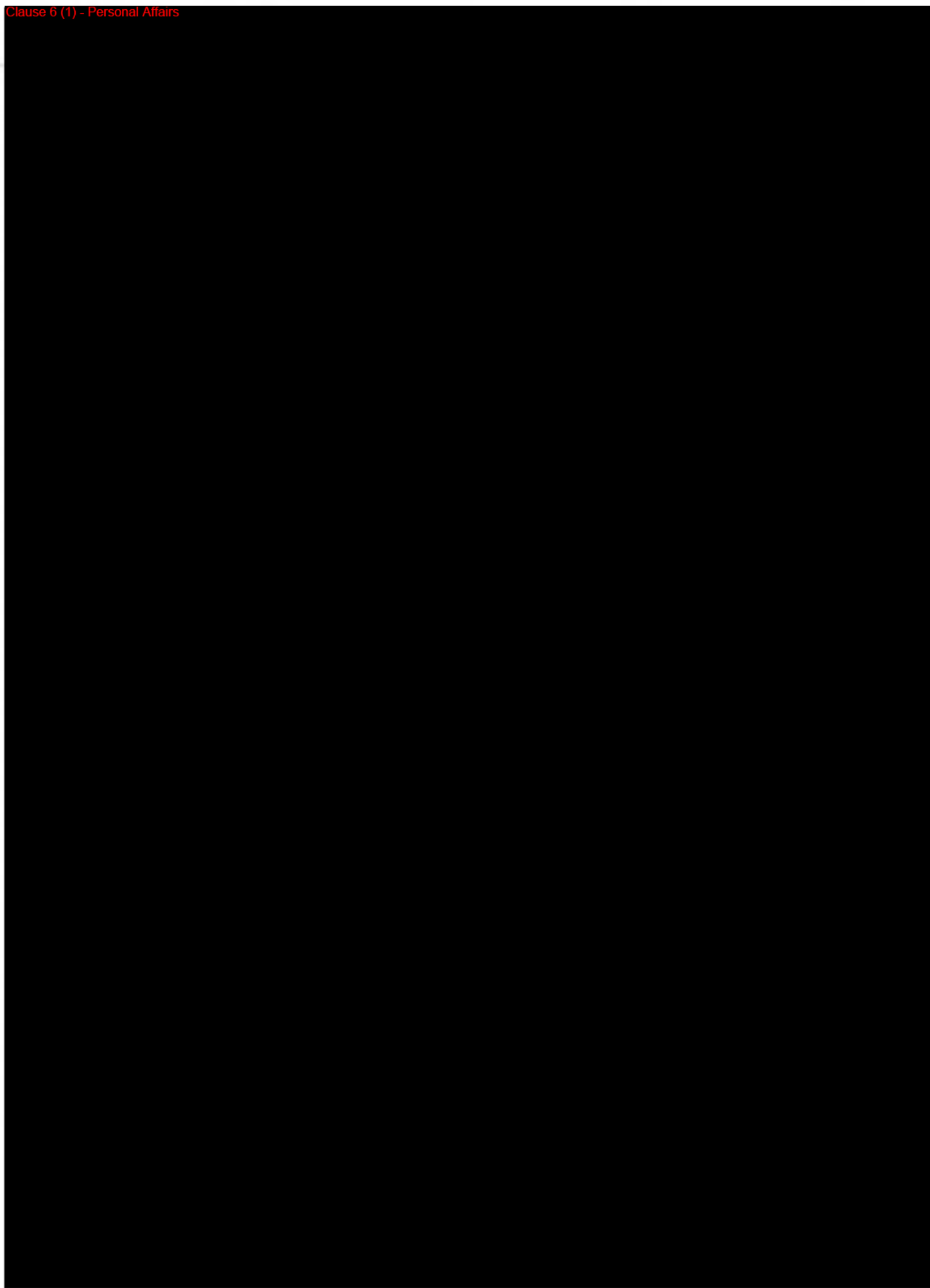
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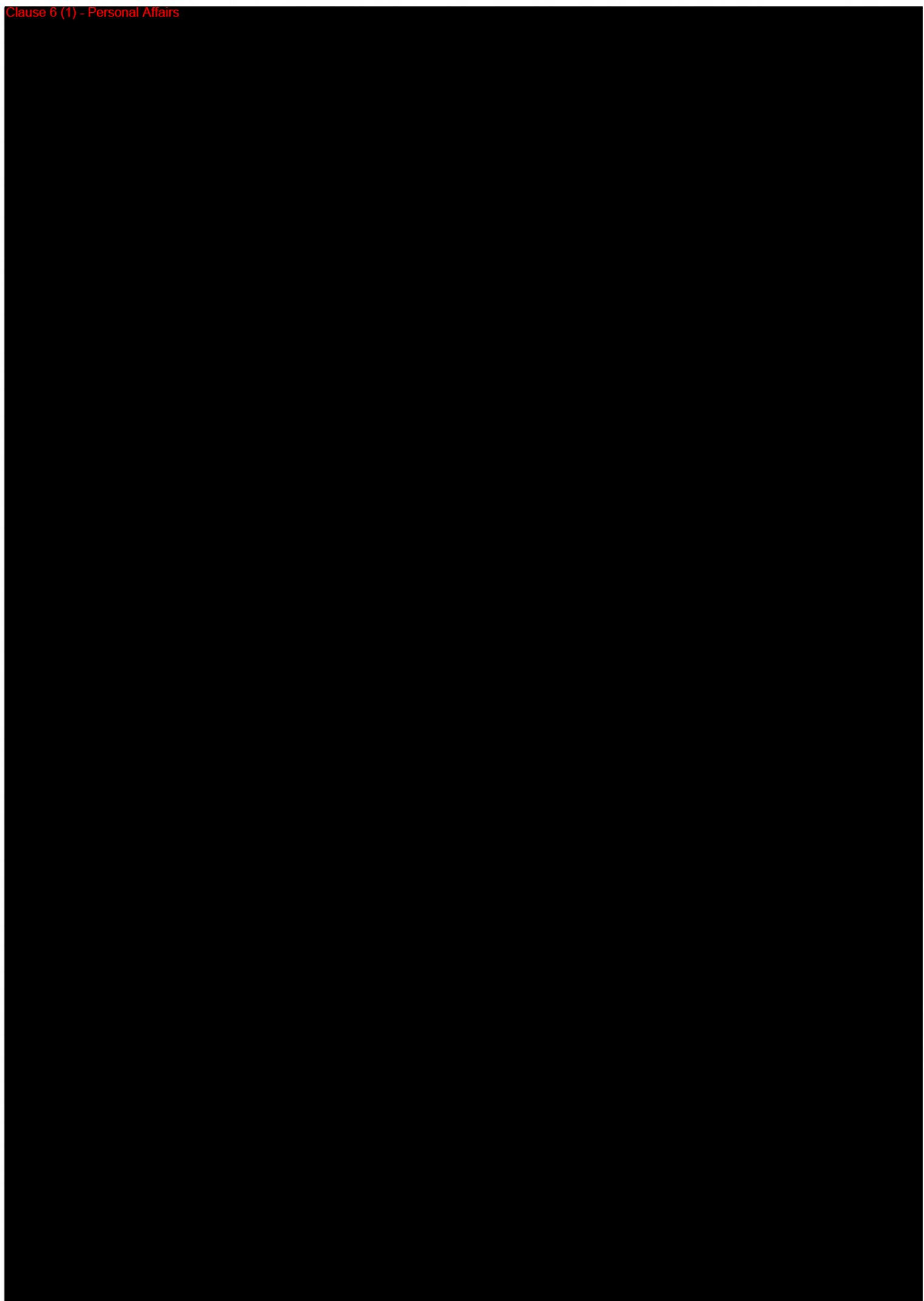
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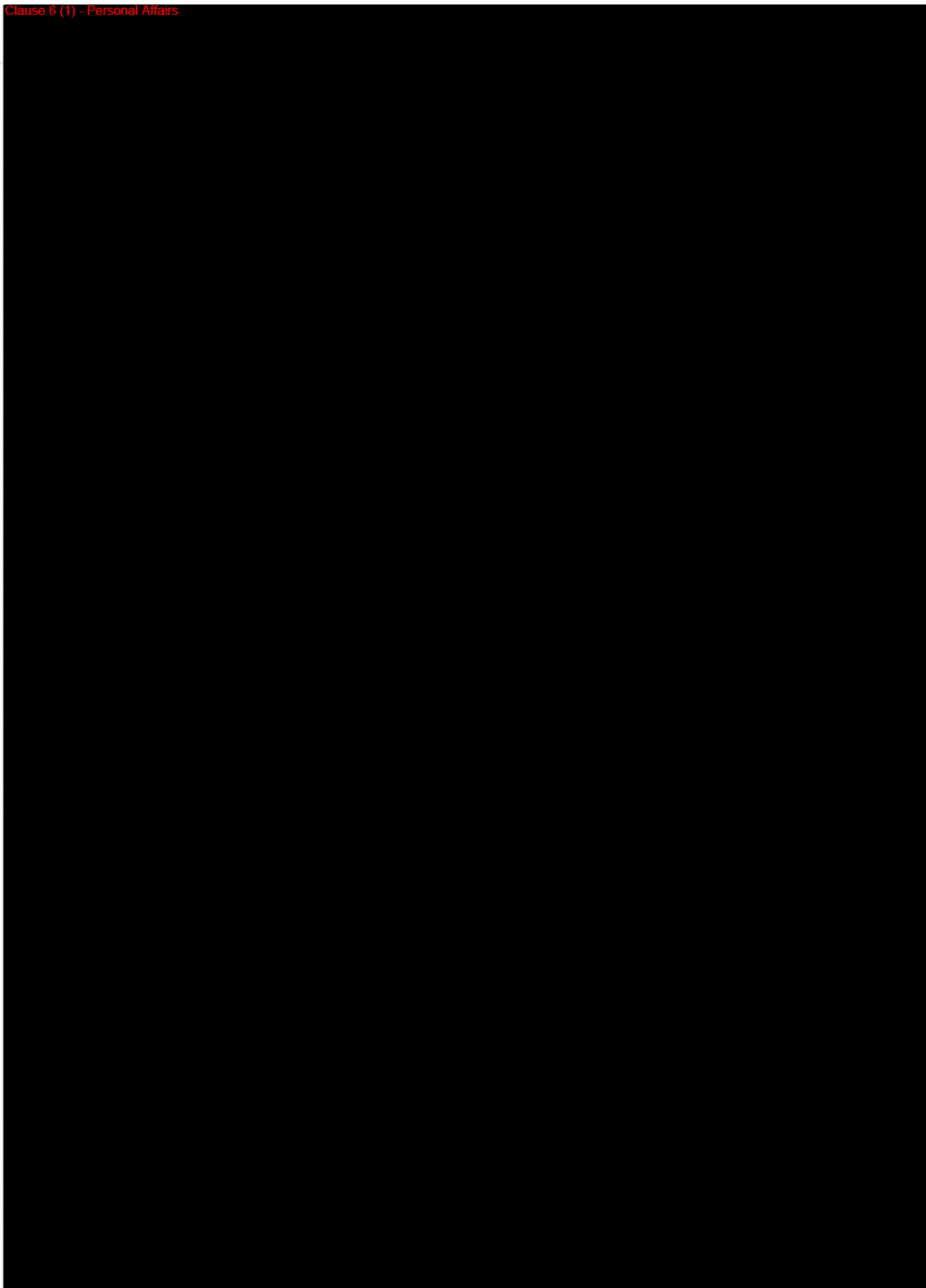


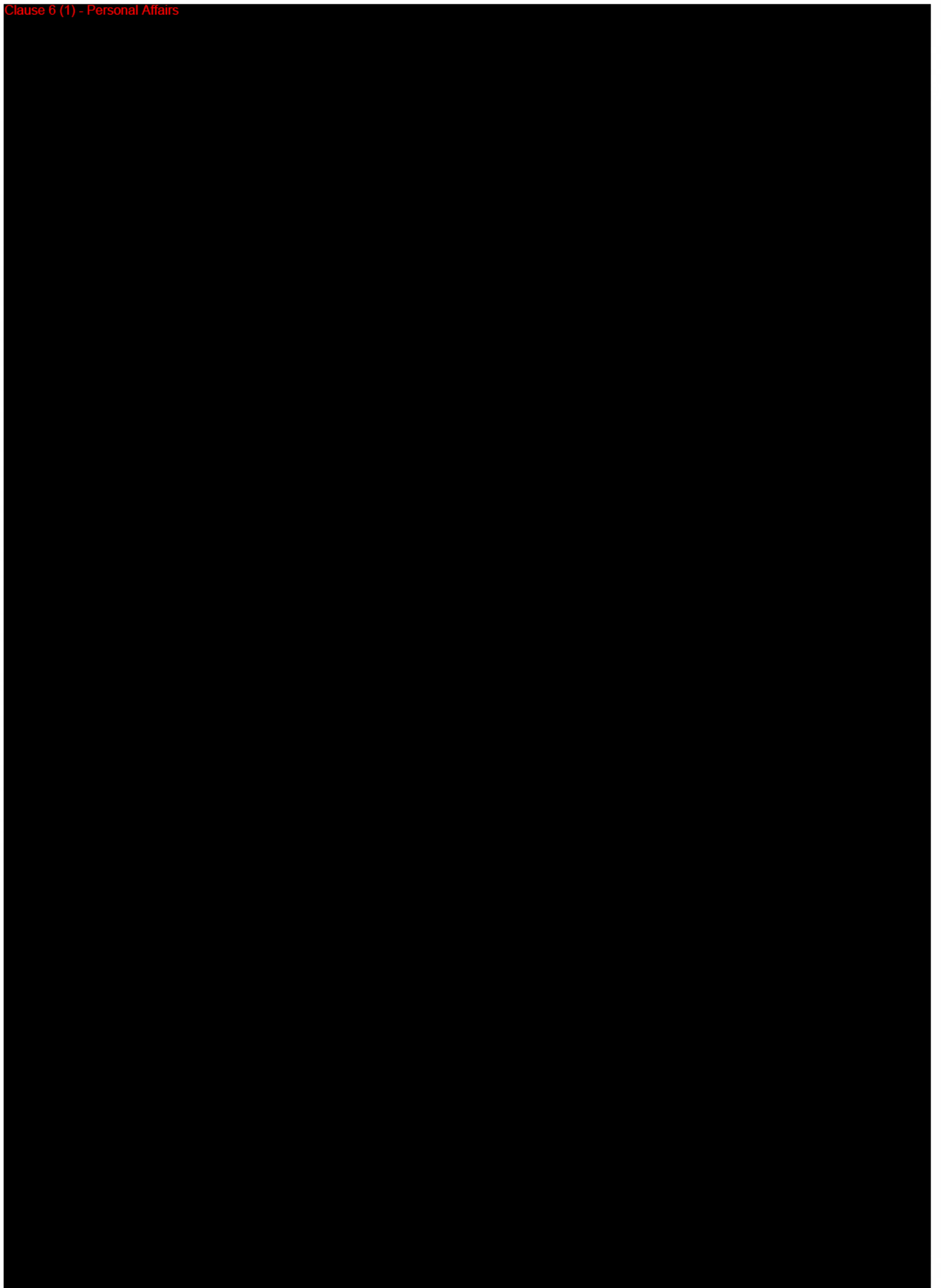












Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis, *Tom*


I write to you on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** who has concerns about fencing that runs along Happy Valley Drive and Windebanks Road.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** believes a taller fence should have been erected following the development of a walking trail near the two roads a few years ago.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** says the height of the current fence is inappropriate given the proximity of the roads to a large kangaroo population. Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** regularly sights kangaroos near the two roads and believes their presence, coupled with the existing low fence, has the potential to cause a serious accident.

I have attached a copy of the correspondence and would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,



Erin Thompson MP

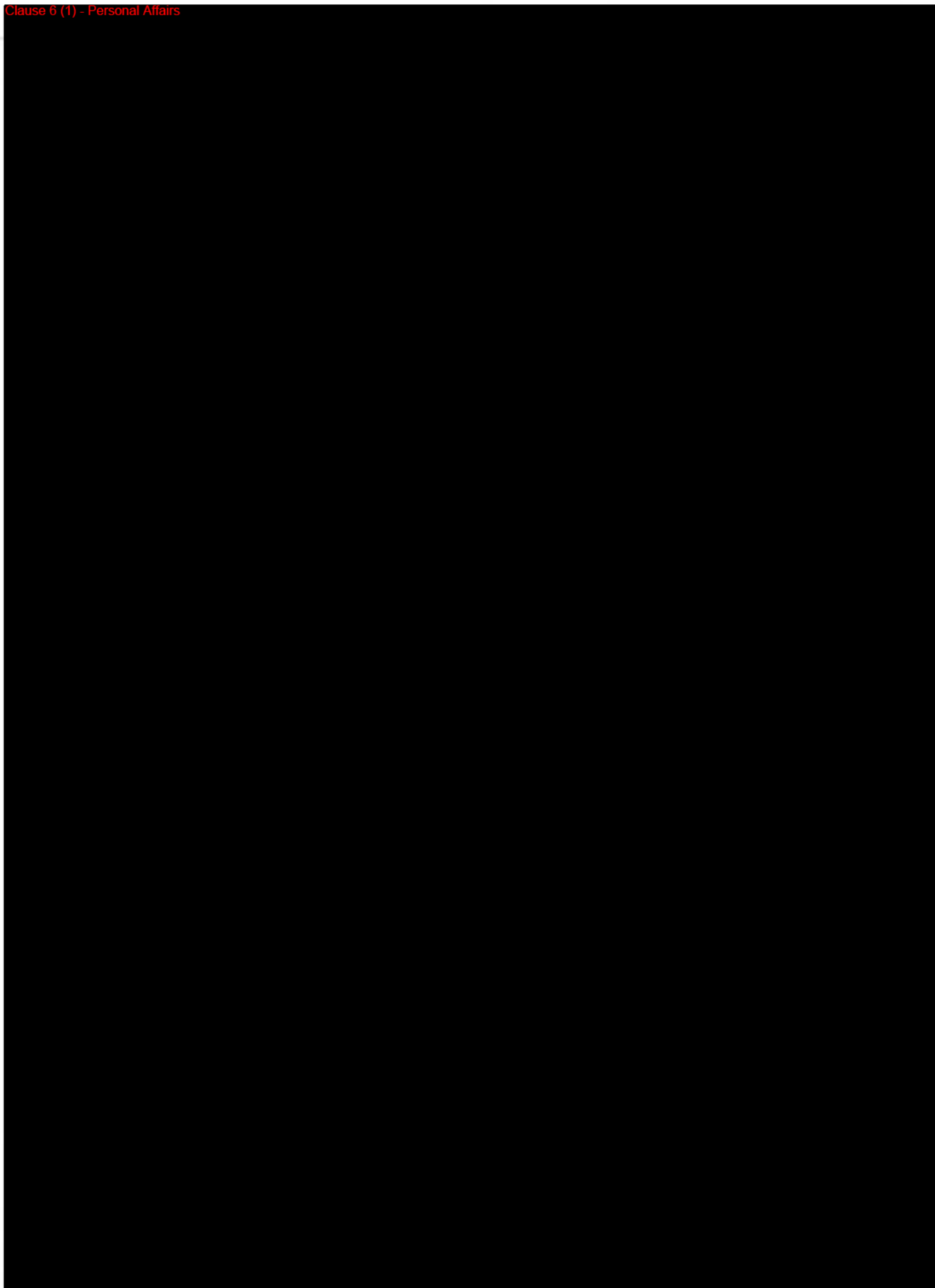
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5 May 2022

Ref: INFR011







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*Erin Thompson MP*  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



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Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

*Tom*

I write to you regarding the condition of Black Road at Flagstaff Hill. Many concerned locals have contacted me to advise the road is in need of improvement.

Black Road is an important road in my electorate, and constituents are worried about its bumpy and unforgiving nature. Despite having been resealed only a few years ago, it appears soil around the road has shifted, and the surface has once again become unsafe.

Black Road would also benefit greatly from a footpath, which would afford residents of Flagstaff Pines safer and easier walking access to the bus stop on Main South Road. Such a footpath would ideally feature lighting.

My community suffered the tragic loss of a young pedestrian in 2018, when they were struck by a vehicle while walking along this dangerous stretch of road at night. It is important we minimise these risks, protect our road users and pedestrians, and work to prevent such an incident from happening again.

I wrote to the former Minister and the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) about this matter during the campaign, as well as in my previous capacity as Mayor of Onkaparinga.

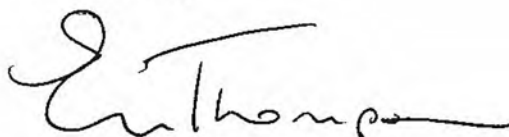
As the new Minister, I would greatly appreciate you investigating this matter for people living in my electorate.



Additionally, I would like to discuss the roads surrounding the Happy Valley Reservoir with yourself or a Department representative.

The previous Government opened the facility without giving full consideration to the site's entries, exits, and surrounding roads – this has resulted in the closure of one gate due to safety concerns.

Yours sincerely,

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**Erin Thompson MP**

**Member for Davenport**

5 May 2022

Ref: INFR009

**Erin Thompson MP**  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

*Tom*

I write to you on behalf of Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a constituent of mine that lives on **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** at Flagstaff Hill.

Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** believes an increasing number of dwellings and residents in her street has necessitated the installation of a roundabout at the intersection of Reservoir Drive and Black Road.

Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** says the time it takes her to enter Black Road from Reservoir Drive has increased significantly due to a change in road usage in her area, and a roundabout would lower the risks associated with completing both left and right turns off Reservoir Drive.

Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** also believes a carpark at the end of Reservoir Drive is necessary to accommodate the increased usage of Minkarra Park by walkers, joggers, and dog park users.

I would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

**Erin Thompson MP**

**Member for Davenport**

8 May 2022

Ref: INFR012





Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
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Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
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ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

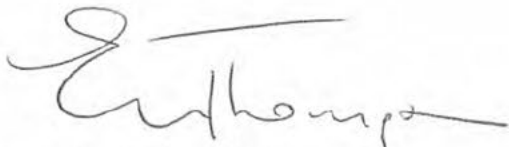
*Tom*

I write to you on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Bedford Park, who has concerns about the appearance of landscaped areas at the Darlington interchange.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** believes the garden beds at the Darlington interchange are untidy and would like the Department for Infrastructure and Transport to better maintain the area.

I have attached a copy of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** correspondence and would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,



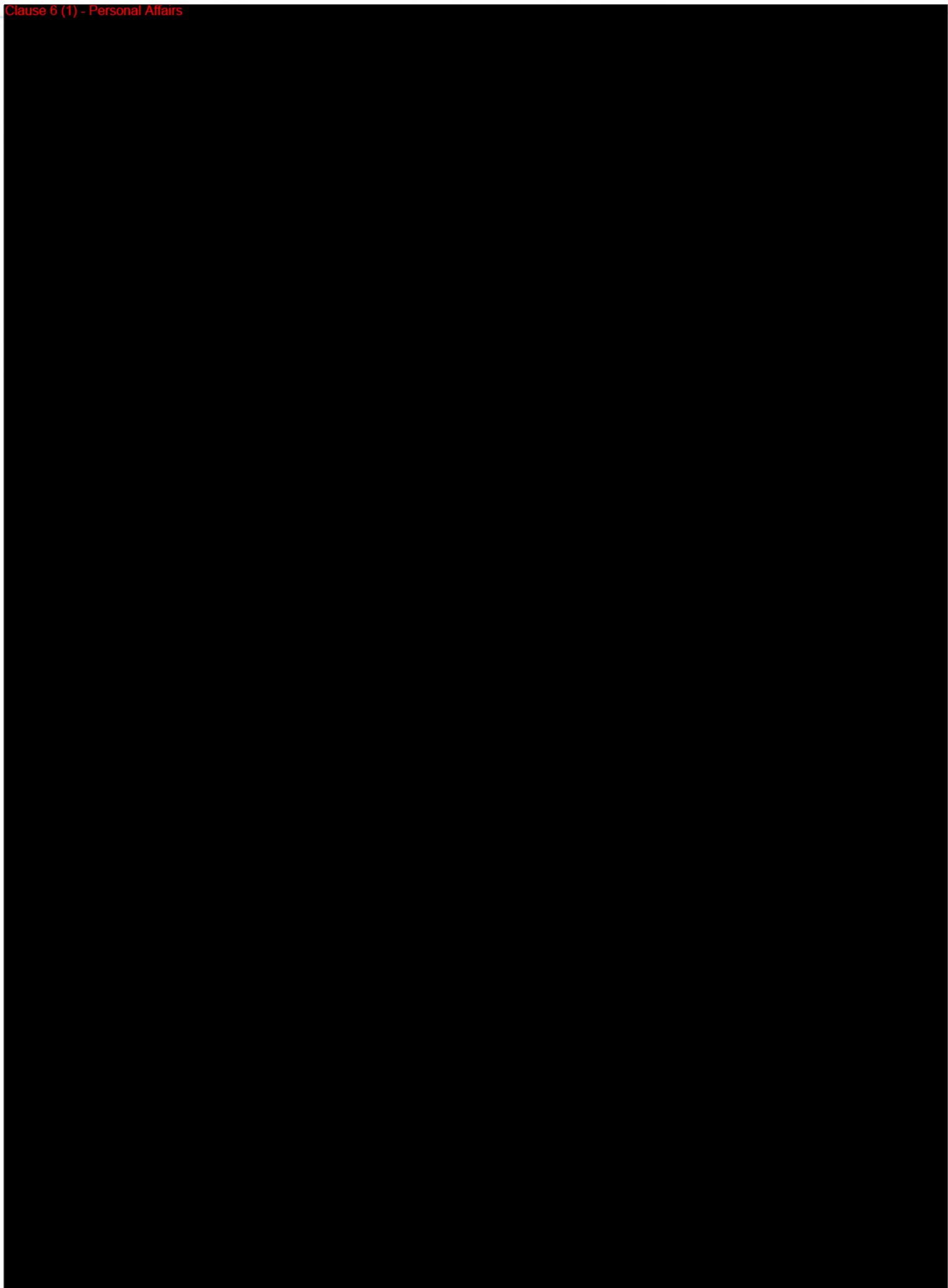
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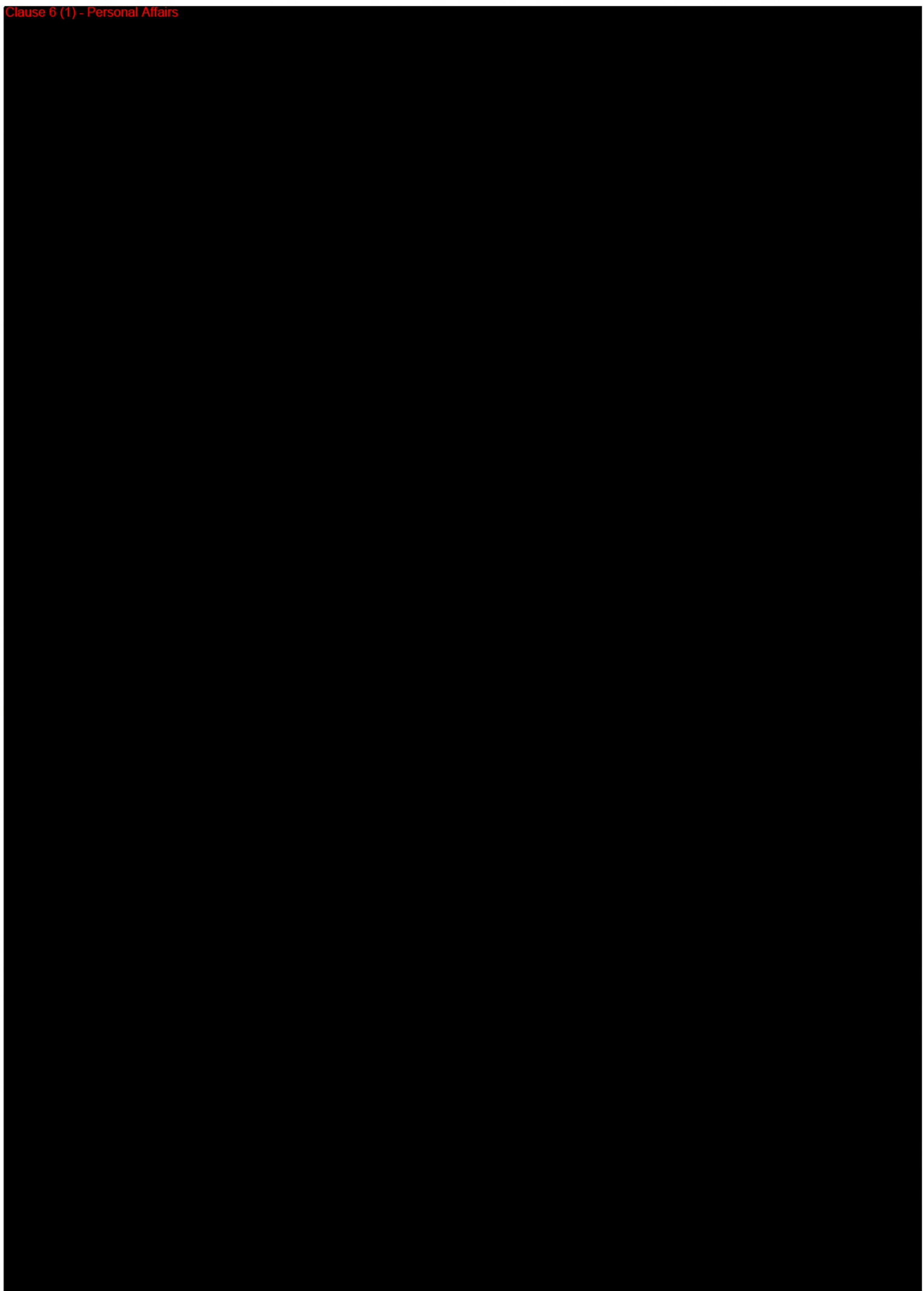
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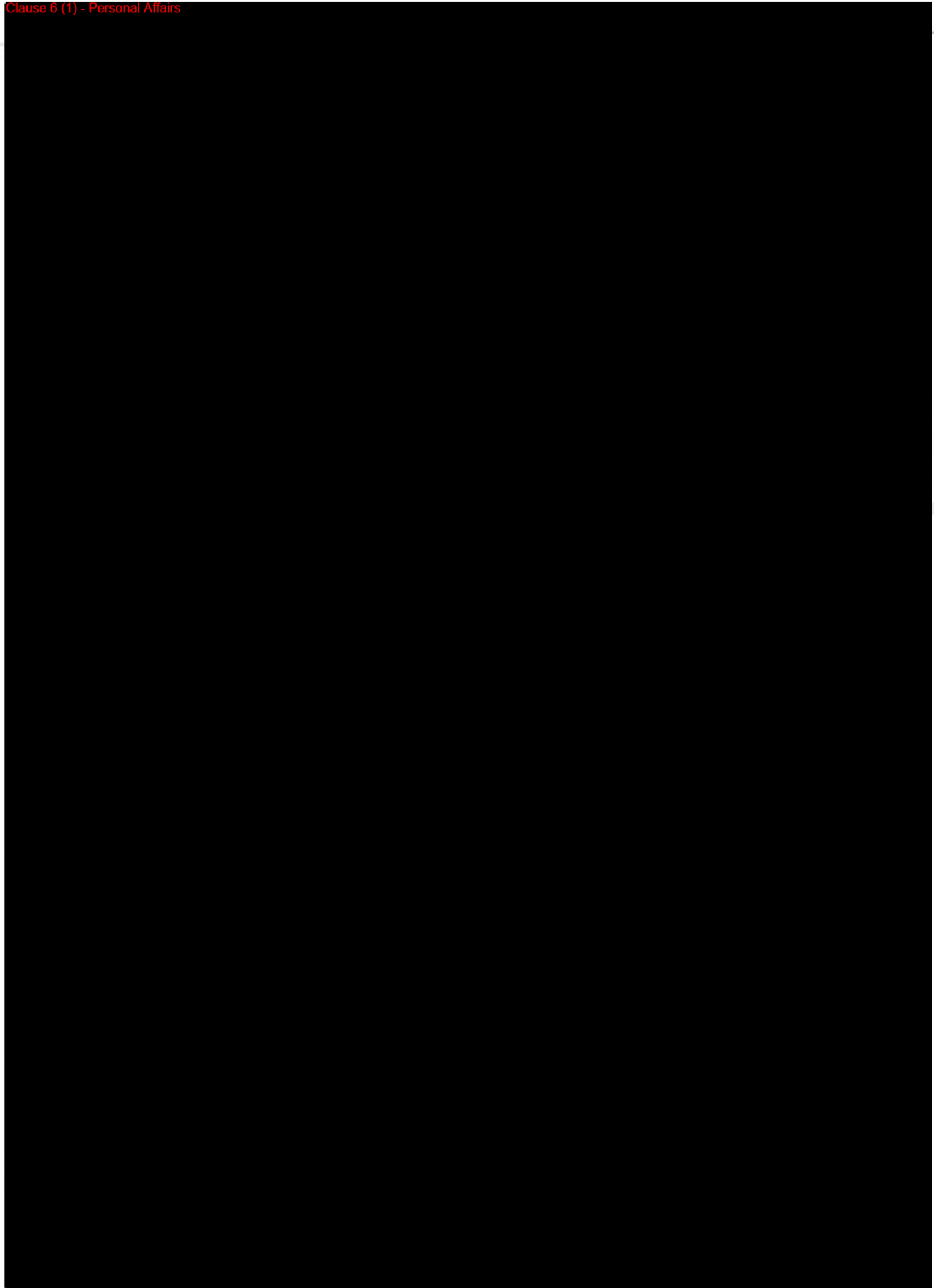
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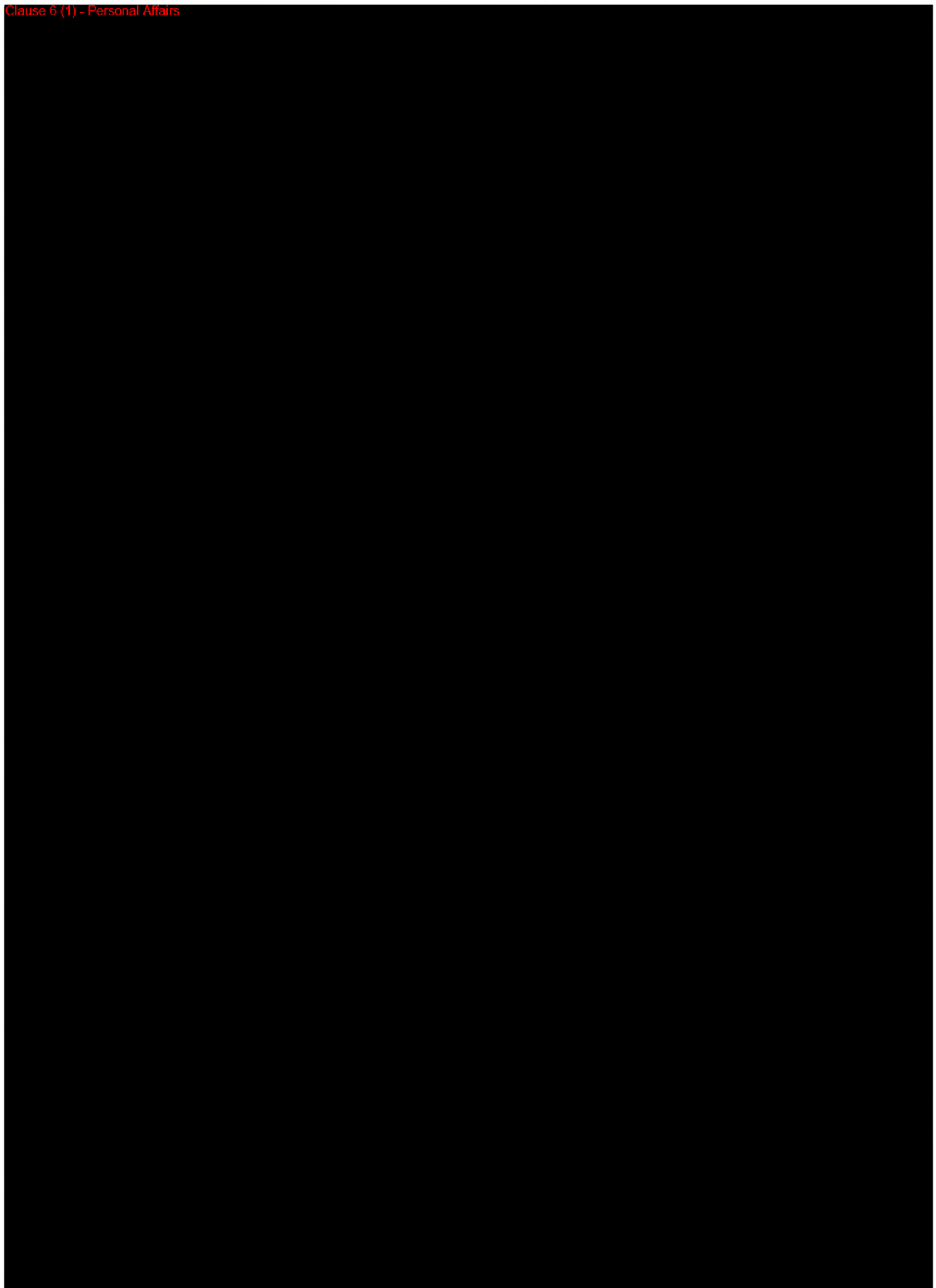
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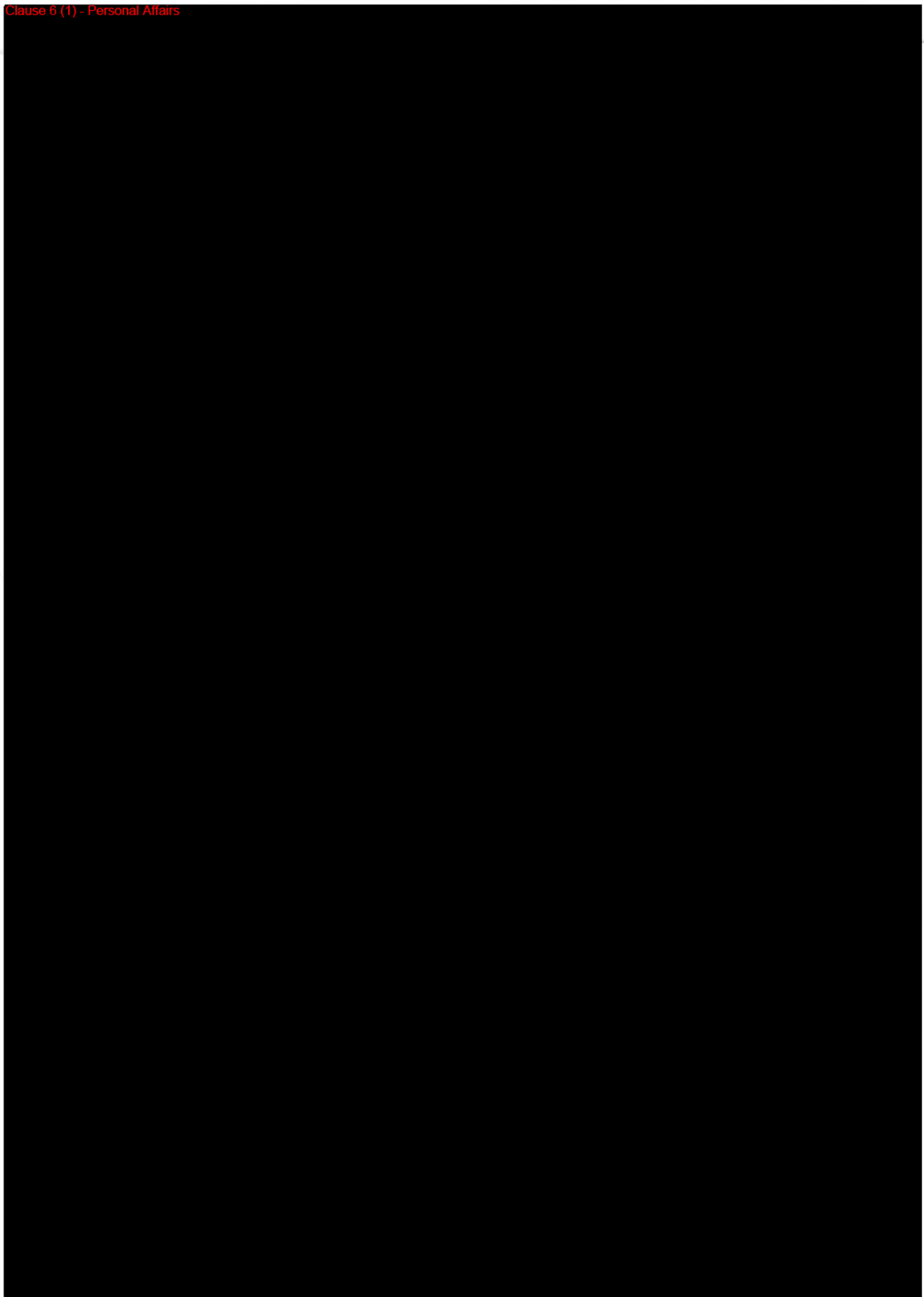














Erin Thompson MP  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis, *Tom*

I write to you on behalf of Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Flagstaff Hill, who would like to see a turning lane constructed at the Flagstaff Road roundabout.

Ms **Clause 6 (1) -** contacted the previous Government about a left-hand turning lane from Black Road, but does not believe the letter was delivered before the former Minister was defeated.

I have investigated the movement of morning traffic through the roundabout and agree with Ms **Clause 6 (1) -** assessment – I believe a left-hand turning lane would help ease congestion for east-bound traffic along Black Road.

I have attached a copy of the correspondence and would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

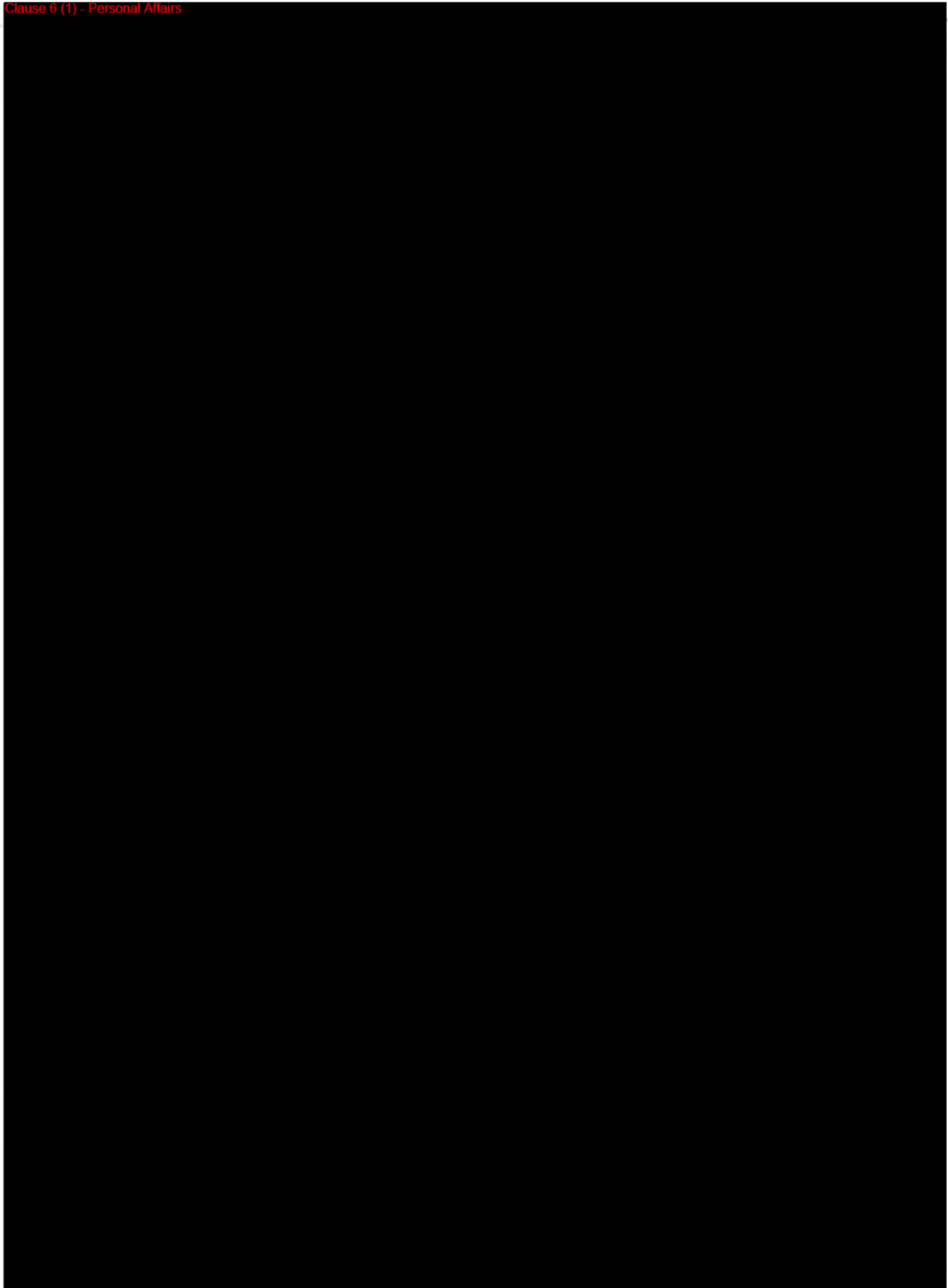
**Erin Thompson MP**  
**Member for Davenport**

19 May 2022

Ref: INFR014







# Erin Thompson MP

MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
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GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis, *Tom*

I write to you on behalf of **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** who contacted the previous Minister for Infrastructure and Transport regarding traffic management along Majors Road at IQRA College.

Students from the College have also spoken to me about imposing a school zone speed limit to protect them from motorists travelling at 70km/h along Majors Road.

DIT has previously reviewed this request and determined the implementation of a school zone along this section of road is not recommended at this time.

Given the concerns raised by students, councillors, and other residents I request that a reduced and heavily signed speed limit of 60km/h be considered by the Department.

Having spoken to the College's students it has also become apparent there is a strong community appetite for a crossing at Glenthorne National Park, which is set to become a popular and well used space among the College's pupils.

I also write to you to seek an update on the progress of works along Majors Road. I would like to provide constituents in my electorate with up-to-date information on this project, and I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

**Erin Thompson MP**  
**Member for Davenport**

19 May 2022

Ref: INFR015



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Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

*Tom*

I write to you regarding Piggott Range Road at Chandlers Hill.

Piggott Range Road was declared a black spot in 2021, and while concerned residents have previously met with the City of Onkaparinga to discuss potential upgrades, they understand improvements will ultimately be delivered using \$1.55 million in funding from the Federal Government.

Residents have also raised concerns regarding the 80km/h speed limit along Piggott Range Road between Grants Gully Road and Coxs Hill Road, and Council has collected data that indicates the average speed of vehicles on Piggott Range Road is as follows:

- between Grants Gully Road and Easton Road approximately 70km/h
- between Easton Road and Education Road approximately 70km/h
- between Bains Road and Coxs Hill Road approximately 75km/h

Given the City of Onkaparinga's own analysis found the average speed along this section of road to be close to 70km/h, Council applied for a reduction in the signed speed limit.

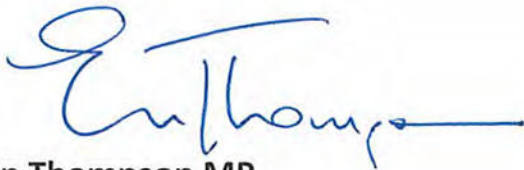


Residents support this proposed reduction in the signed speed limit, as they believe improvements to Piggott Range Road may increase the average speed of vehicles travelling along this dangerous stretch of road.

I write to you supporting Council's application for a reduction in speed limit on safety grounds. The impact on road users should be minimal given the average speed of vehicles along this stretch is well below the signed 80km/h.

I would appreciate you looking into this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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**Erin Thompson MP**

**Member for Davenport**

25 May 2022

Ref: INFR017

Erin Thompson MP  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



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Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Tom', written over the name 'Minister Koutsantonis'.

I write to you seeking an update on the upgrade of Flagstaff Road at Flagstaff Hill.

When works began the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) estimated the project would be completed by mid-2022. With the estimated completion date fast approaching, I am writing to confirm DIT expects the important fourth lane to be operational by its own mid-2022 target.

Further, residents have raised concerns about the appearance of landscaped areas at the Darlington Interchange and along Flagstaff Road – a stretch that serves as the gateway to their community.

Will beautification works be carried out as the completion of the Flagstaff Road project draws near?

I eagerly await your response.

Yours sincerely,

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Erin Thompson MP

Member for Davenport

27 May 2022

Ref: INFR016

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Erin Thompson MP  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



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Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
Leader of Government Business in the House of Assembly  
GPO Box 1533  
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Tom'.

I write to you on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Aberfoyle Park, who has brought to my attention the lack of a Sunday bus route between Aberfoyle Park and Blackwood.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** lives at **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** and does his shopping at Blackwood. On weekdays and Saturdays Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** catches a bus directly from Aberfoyle Park to Blackwood, however, on Sundays the same route requires Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** to travel via the Marion Interchange and transfer buses.

Why do the 600 and 601 bus routes not travel between Aberfoyle Park and Blackwood on a Sunday, and is there an easier way for Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** to complete this journey when his preferred service is not running?

Additionally, are you able to advise when the State Government expects free peak travel for Seniors Card holders to commence? This was an election commitment that proved popular among members of my community, and I look forward to seeing it implemented.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Erin Thompson'.

Erin Thompson MP

Member for Davenport

30 May 2022

Ref: INFR018

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Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Energy and Mining

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Ms Erin Thompson MP  
Member for Davenport  
PO Box 1137  
FLAGSTAFF HILL SA 5159

[davenport@parliament.sa.gov.au](mailto:davenport@parliament.sa.gov.au)

Dear Ms Thompson *Erin,*

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** about the publication of Notices of Acquisition in The Advertiser.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport has confirmed that under section 16(5) of the *Land Acquisition Act 1969*, the acquiring authority must publish the full Notice of Acquisition in a newspaper circulating generally throughout the state. As this is a legislative requirement, the acquiring authority must comply in all instances.

While I appreciate receiving Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** suggestion to publish addresses, the address is not published due to privacy laws.

I trust this response is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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

10 June 2022





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Dear Ms Thompson *Erin,*

Thank you for your recent correspondence on behalf of your constituents regarding road safety on Black Road, between Main South Road and Flagstaff Road.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) has advised that while corrugation may affect the ride quality of the road, it is generally not considered a hazard for road users. Notwithstanding, I am pleased to advise that this section of Black Road has been included in DIT's program of works for the 2022-23 financial year.!

In the meantime, please be assured that Black Road will continue to be regularly inspected with any minor repairs made to ensure the road is maintained in a safe condition for all road users. I also encourage road users to contact DIT's 24-hour Traffic Management Centre on 1800 018 313 for issues requiring immediate attention. Calling this number to directly report an issue allows the operator to ask for clarification and will result in a more timely investigation and corrective action where required.

While Black Road is not currently scheduled for a lighting upgrade, it has been included in a list of candidate projects for future funding and will be prioritised against other state-wide projects.

It should be noted that local councils are responsible for footpaths and pedestrian connection points. Therefore, I suggest also writing to the City of Onkaparinga (Council), for consideration and response to you regarding this request. The Council may also be able to provide road lighting under the *Local Government Act 1999*.

Yours sincerely

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**Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP**  
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Dear Ms Thompson *Erin,*

Thank you for your letter, on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** regarding delays with G20, G21 bus services and Flinders train services.

I asked the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) to investigate Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** concerns and I have been advised Keolis Downer Adelaide and Torrens Transit were contacted for advice as they are the contracted operators for the services being queried.

Keolis Downer stated that for the month of April 2022, on time running for the Flinders line was approximately 99 per cent with 0.2 per cent of services cancelled.

While there are no details of dates or times have been provided by Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** to enable an investigation of specific occurrences, generally, train services can be delayed due to unplanned issues pertaining to mechanical faults, signal issues and vandalism-related complications

In regards to the G20 and G21 bus services travelling from Aberfoyle Hub to the City, Torrens Transit, the contracted operator reviewed customer feedback and fleet monitoring data for the period 21 March 2022 to 20 April 2022. The findings of the review indicated that there was no significant evidence of inconsistency in the on time running performance of the G20 and G21 services during that period.

Variations in bus times are often caused by circumstances beyond the control of bus drivers including crashes, road works, heavy traffic, breakdowns and extreme weather conditions. As you would appreciate, in cases where a service is delayed, a bus driver's ability to make up time is limited by the flow of traffic.


Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** may also like to know that there are real-time data and service alerts for Adelaide Metro buses, trains and trams available via various iOS and Android applications or online websites. See the link attached for further information. [Public transport apps - Adelaide Metro](#) or he may use the 'My next service' function on the Adelaide Metro website ([My next service - Adelaide Metro](#)) and add in the bus, train or tram details which will then provide real-time details.

Should Mr <sup>Clau</sup><sub>se 6</sub> experience any further issues with delays to services, he is encouraged to report his concerns with specific details as soon as possible to Adelaide Metro through the website (<https://www.adelaidemetro.com.au/about-us/contact>) or by telephone on 1300 311 108.

Feedback received from customers assists DIT and its service contractors in improving the effectiveness and efficiency of passenger transport services.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



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

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P.S Please keep me informed so  
we can continue to monitor.  
Tom.

Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

*Tom*

I write to you on behalf of Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Seacombe Heights, who has concerns regarding passenger behaviours on public transport.

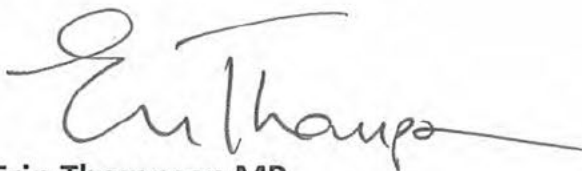
Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** believes people are skirting rules relating to masks on public transport, despite being aware the direction remains in place.

Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** believes post-football match passengers are the worst offenders, as she notices a significant increase in unmasked passengers following AFL games at Adelaide Oval.

Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** also has concerns relating to fare evasion.

I have attached a copy of the correspondence for reference and would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

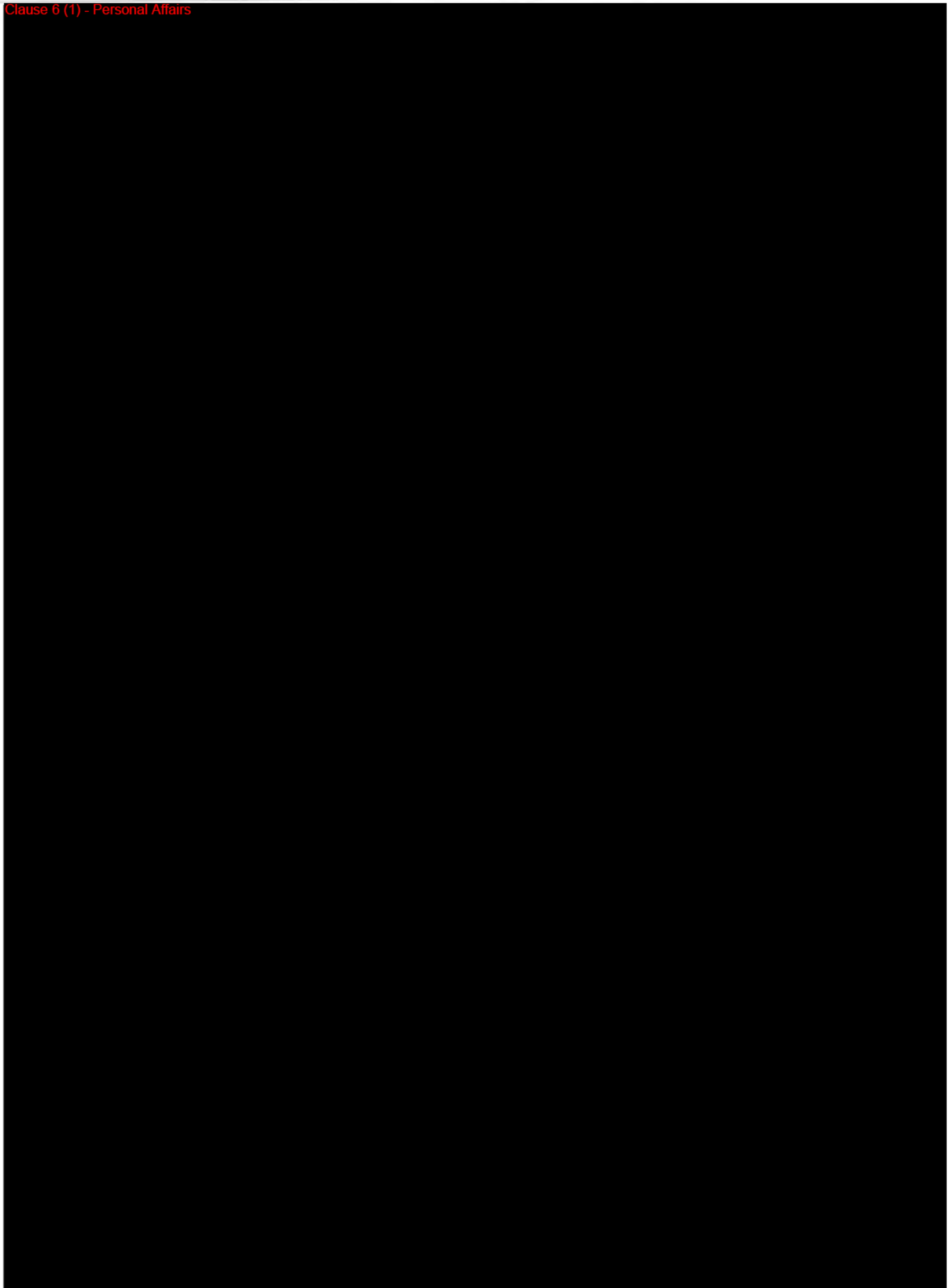


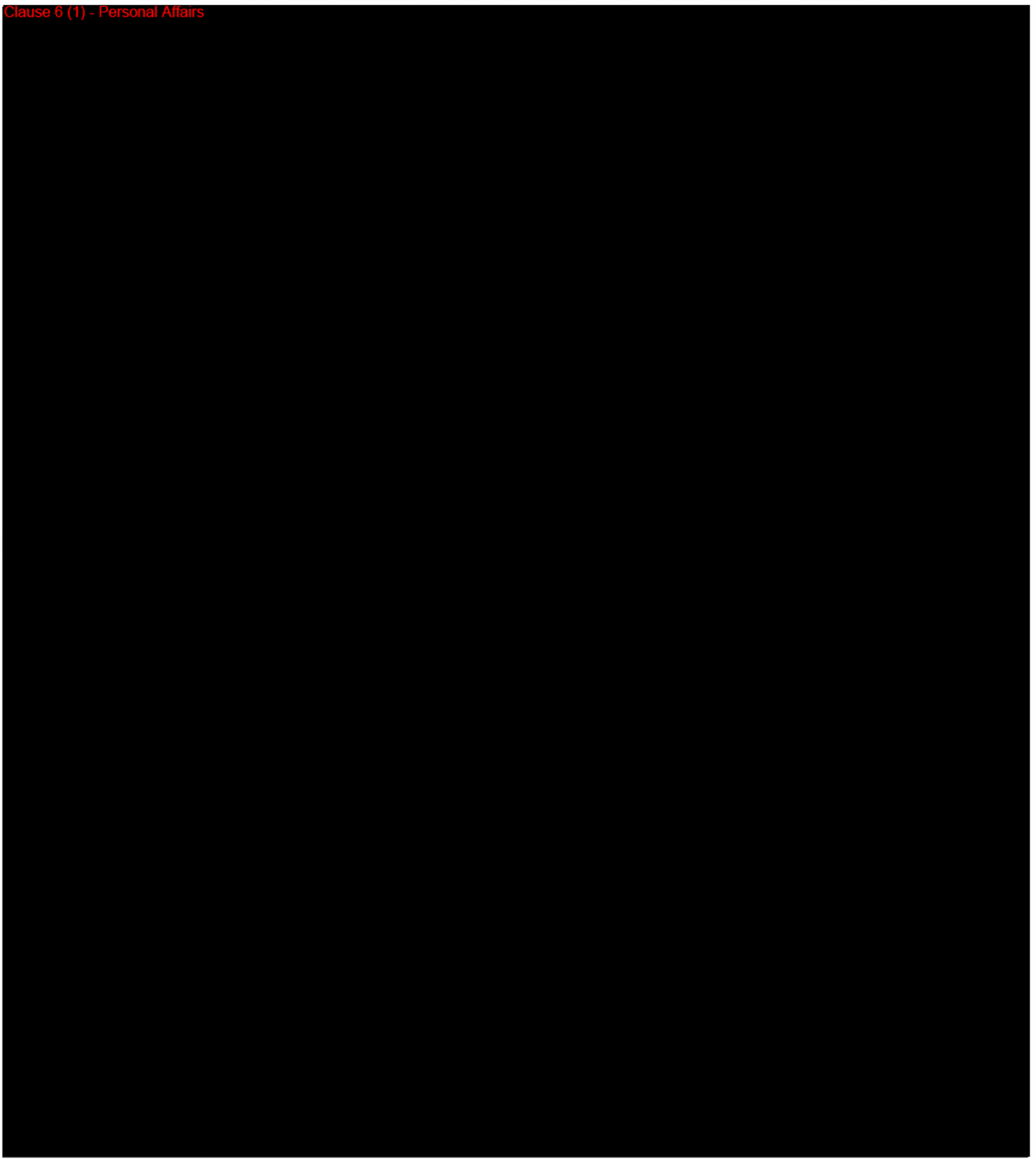
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15 June 2022

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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

Tom

I write to you on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Happy Valley, who has concerns regarding increasing energy provider service fees.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** has advised me of a recent 10 per cent increase in his provider's daily service charge – a figure that Mr Thomas has recognised as being significantly higher than the current rate of inflation.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) -** believes such an increase is a 'cash grab' by his energy provider and is seeking clarification regarding the State Government's involvement in the setting of these charges.

Are you able to clarify whether the State Government has any involvement in setting these fees, and if not, what plans the State Government has to protect South Australians from increasing energy prices?

I have attached a copy of the correspondence for reference and would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response to Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs**

Yours sincerely,

Erin Thompson MP  
Member for Davenport

21 June 2022

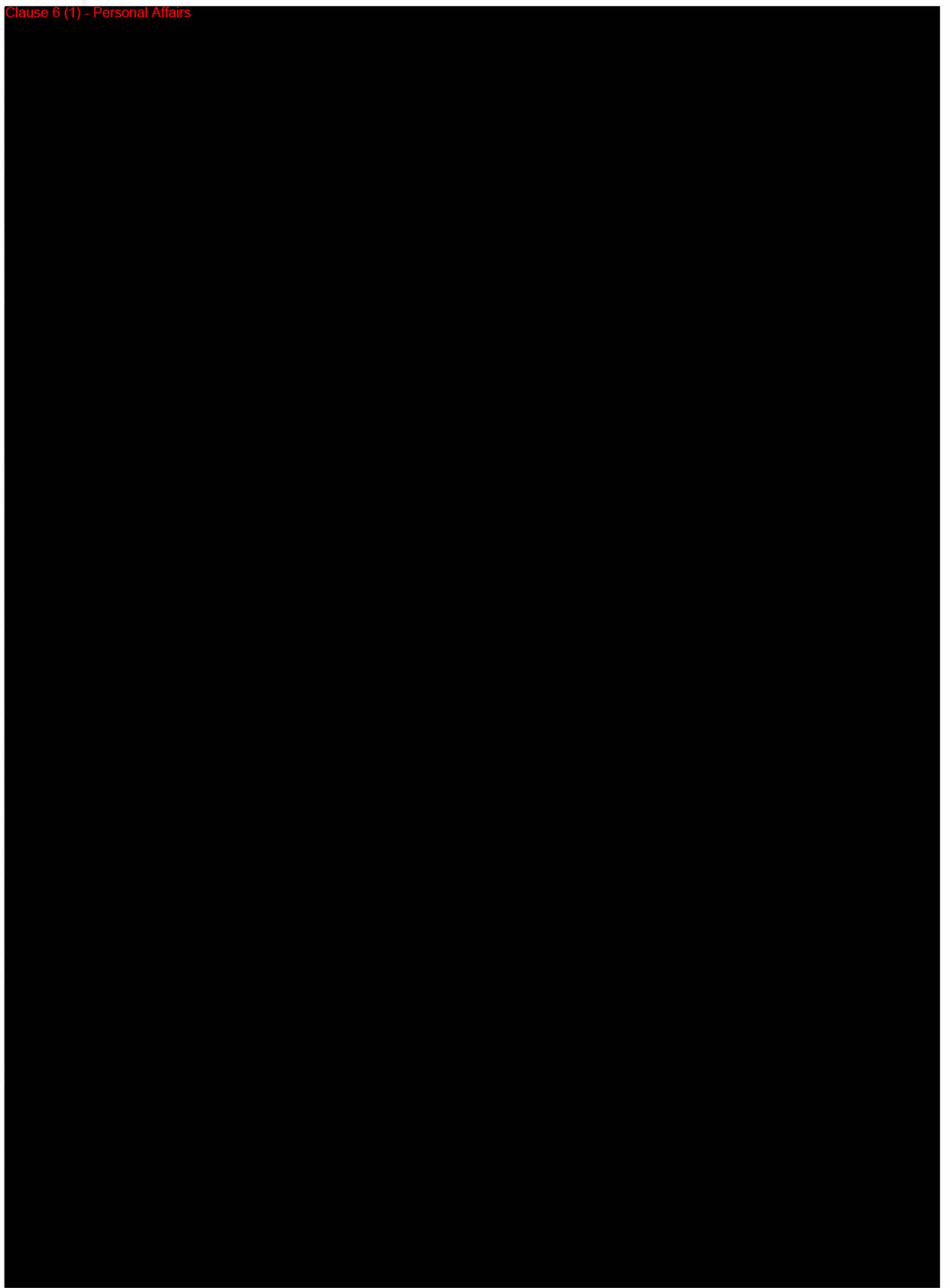
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Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs

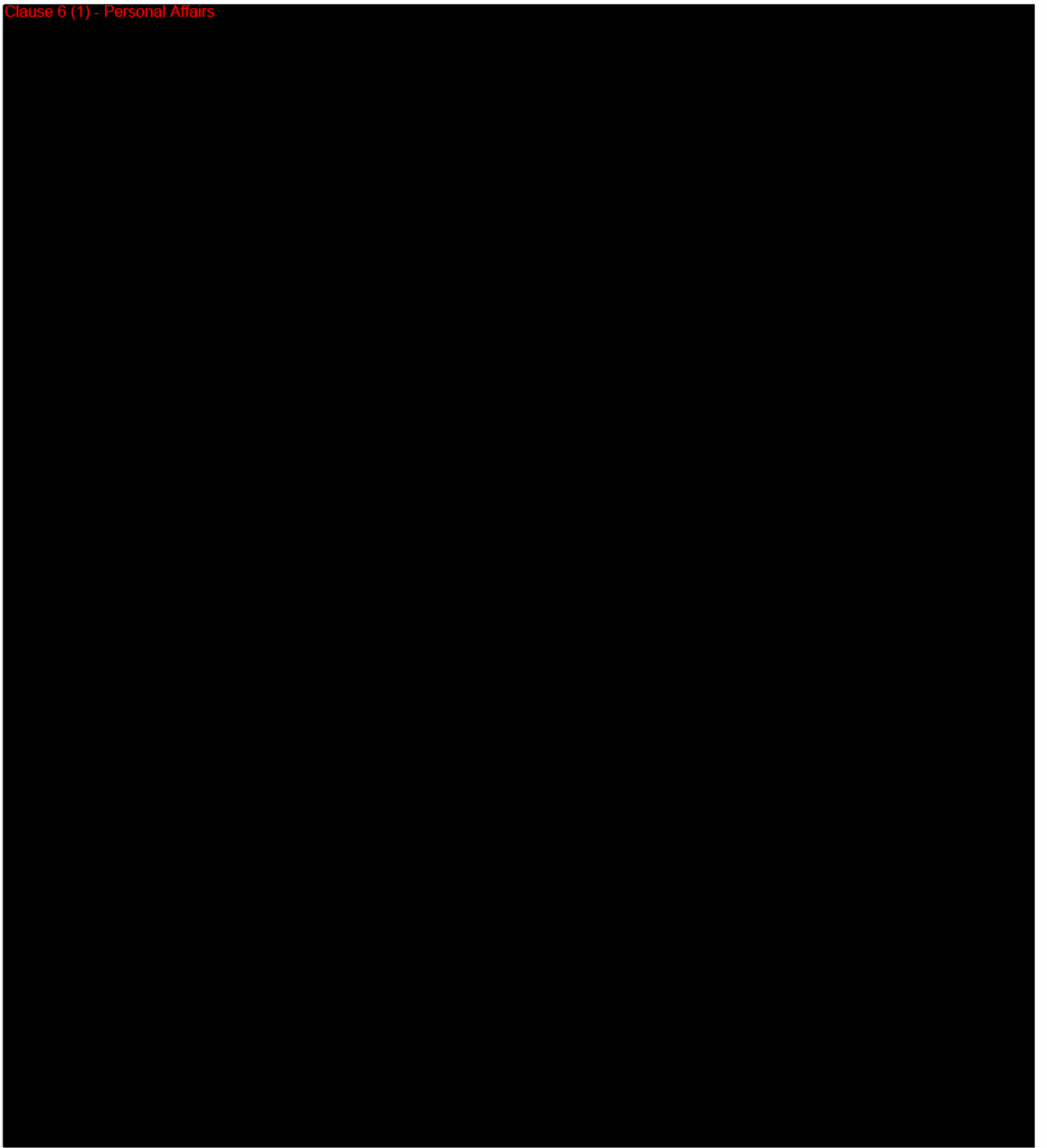






Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs





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Dear Ms Thompson *Erin,*

I write to inform you that I have recently authorised the project grants to councils for the 2022-23 Australian Government Black Spot Program.

I am pleased to advise that the following project was successful in gaining funding of \$1,058,750 (GST inclusive) under this Program:

- Main South Road, O'Hallaran Hill
  - Improve safety by providing sealed shoulders and installation of guard fence and motorcycle barriers.

Yours sincerely

*Tom Koutsantonis*  
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Dear Ms Thompson *Amin,*

Thank you for your correspondence on behalf of Ms *Amin* **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** about water flowing from Main South Road **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs**

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport advises that an inspection was undertaken on 21 April 2022, to investigate the drainage issues raised by Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs**

The inspection found that water draining from the surface of Main South Road at this location is controlled via the use of a "Rill", which is a structure formed of asphalt, sometimes used as a substitute to concrete kerbing. The Rill provides a channel for the surface water to travel into the next road storm water drain.

The inspection showed that the asphalt Rill is in overall fair condition, however, there are some specific locations of degradation that may lead to water bypassing the Rill in heavy rain.

I am pleased to advise that repair works to the Rill have been scheduled, with works to be completed by the end of July 2022.

Yours sincerely

*Tom Koutsantonis*  
**Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP**  
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Dear Ms Thompson

*Erin,*

Thank you for your letter about the condition of Black Road, Flagstaff Hill.


I am pleased to advise that this section of Black Road has been included in DIT's program of works for the 2022-23 financial year.

In the meantime, please be assured that Black Road will continue to be regularly inspected with any minor repairs made to ensure the road is maintained in a safe condition for all road users. I also encourage road users to contact DIT's 24-hour Traffic Management Centre on 1800 018 313, for issues requiring immediate attention. Calling this number to directly report an issue allows the operator to ask for clarification resulting in a timely investigation and corrective action where required.

It should be noted that local councils are responsible for footpaths and pedestrian connection points. Councils may also be able to provide road lighting under the *Local Government Act 1999*. I recommend that you contact the City of Onkaparinga Council to voice your concerns about the need for a footpath on Blacks Road.

In relation to roads surrounding Happy Valley Reservoir, please contact Mr Tony Carbone, Delivery Manager via email at [tony.carbone@sa.gov.au](mailto:tony.carbone@sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

  
**Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP**  
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Erin Thompson MP  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



The Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

Tau

I write to you on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Happy Valley, who has concerns regarding a change in his energy provider's solar feed-in agreement.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** has received correspondence from **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** advising him he will not receive the retailer feed-in tariff beyond 31 July 2022, as he is also receiving a government scheme feed-in tariff.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** advises me the retailer-led scheme was a concession he received upon installation of his solar panels, and not a tariff as **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** suggests.

Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** has unsuccessfully attempted to contact **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** regarding the matter and is seeking further clarification.

Is **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** able to withdraw concessions where its customers are receiving a government tariff, and is Mr **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** ineligible to claim both a retailer and government tariff as he believes **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** correspondence insinuates?

I have attached a copy of the correspondence for reference and would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

Erin Thompson MP  
Member for Davenport

24 June 2022

Ref: ENE002  
Encl.



Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs





Erin Thompson MP  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

I write to you on behalf of Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Happy Valley, who has concerns regarding the 70 km/h speed limit on Chandlers Hill Road – particularly at the Kenihans Road roundabout and approaching the Bishops Hill Road intersection.

Ms **Clause 6 (1) Personal Aff** believes residential developments and the opening of the Happy Valley Reservoir have resulted in significantly increased pedestrian traffic on Chandlers Hill Road.

In her correspondence Ms **Clause 6 (1) -** recommends reducing the speed limit on Chandlers Hill Road to 50 km/h to help safely manage this increase in traffic.

I would appreciate the Department for Infrastructure and Transport investigating this matter for Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Aff**

I have attached a copy of the correspondence for reference and would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,


Erin Thompson MP  
Member for Davenport

27 June 2022

Ref: INFR038



Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs



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Dear Ms Thompson *Erin,*

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Mr Clause 6 (1) -  
Personal Affairs about the appearance of  
landscaped areas at the Darlington Interchange.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) advises that the maintenance contractor for Gateway South Darlington undertakes maintenance of irrigation and roadside foliage within the project site, with weeding being undertaken approximately every four weeks.

The most recent onsite maintenance occurred on the week of 6 June 2022. I am further advised that the health of the existing vegetation and replanting of vegetation is currently being assessed.

Members of the public can report any issues requiring immediate attention through the Department's website [dit.sa.gov.au/contact-us/compliments-and-complaints](http://dit.sa.gov.au/contact-us/compliments-and-complaints).

I trust this response is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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

7 July 2022

Erin Thompson MP  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



The Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Energy and Mining  
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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

I write to you on behalf of Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs residents of Flagstaff Hill, who have experienced ongoing difficulties in maintaining their energy concessions when changing suppliers.

The Clause 6 (1) - family advises me South Australia is currently the only Australian state where energy concessions are not automatically transferred between suppliers when a consumer decides to switch.

Are you able to advise whether the State Government has any plans to simplify this process and bring South Australia in line with the rest of the country?

Additionally, are there any mechanisms customers with existing energy concessions can use when comparing or changing energy suppliers to make this process easier?

I have attached a copy of the correspondence for reference and would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

Erin Thompson MP  
Member for Davenport

9 July 2022

Ref: ENE003  
Encl.



Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs



**Erin Thompson MP**  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

*Tom*

I write to you on behalf of my constituents residing in the suburbs of Seacombe Heights and Darlington.

Having recently hosted a street corner meeting at Darlington, multiple residents raised concerns regarding traffic management on Seacombe Road – in particular, the single turning lane at Main South Road.

The residents in question believe a traffic study at this location is necessary – with one member of the public advising me their previous representative had promised a study would occur once works at the Darlington Interchange had been completed.

Are you able to advise whether the Department for Infrastructure and Transport plans to conduct a traffic study of Seacombe Road? Further, is the Department able to investigate the potential delivery of an additional turning lane at the intersection of Main South Road and Seacombe Road?

As Seacombe Road services both Davenport and Gibson constituents, I have copied the Member for Gibson into this correspondence for her reference.

I would appreciate your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Erin Thompson'.

**Erin Thompson MP**  
**Member for Davenport**

✓ August 2022

Ref: INFR049  
CC: Sarah Andrews MP



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Dear Ms Thompson

Thank you for your correspondence dated 21 June 2022, on behalf of Mr **Clause 6 (1) Personal** about the price of energy, or more specifically, his daily supply charge.

The daily supply charge on Mr **Clause 6 (1) Personal** energy bill is the money paid to have energy delivered to his home each day. The transmission and distribution network costs are charged to his retailer, who then determines how best to package this as part of the variety of energy plans that they offer. The daily supply charge is not set by the State Government.

To ensure South Australia's energy supply is safe, reliable and modernised for our future needs, ongoing improvements are required to the state's energy infrastructure. As a result of these improvements, higher costs are currently being passed on through supply charges to customers.

The Malinauskas Government recognises that the rising cost of living, including rising energy prices, is hitting everybody's budget, but it is disproportionately hurting those on low and fixed incomes. That is why we are delivering hundreds of dollars of relief.

South Australians eligible for the concession will receive an increase of up to \$231.80 on the current payment. Doubling the Cost of Living Concession will provide additional relief to people on low and fixed incomes. For more information about the Cost of Living Concession, visit [www.sa.gov.au/concessions/costofliving](http://www.sa.gov.au/concessions/costofliving).

We also offer the Energy Advisory Service, which is a free service that provides independent information on energy topics, including how to save energy at home. Anyone can use this Service by calling 8204 1888 or by emailing [energyadvice@sa.gov.au](mailto:energyadvice@sa.gov.au).

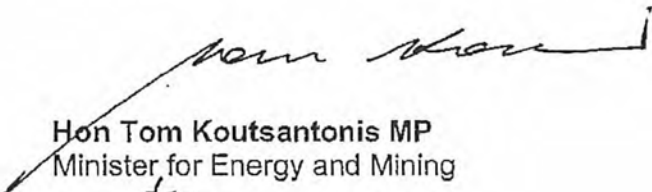
Going forward, our Hydrogen Jobs Plan aims to reduce electricity prices. The Malinauskas Government has committed \$593 million to deliver a 200MW power station, 250MWe of hydrogen electrolysers and two months of hydrogen storage.

These assets will be operational by December 2025.

Cheap emission-free electricity produced from the power station will be used for renewable firming services, which is the process of maintaining renewable electricity production during periods of low wind and solar.

We have already formed the Office of Hydrogen Power SA, which will rapidly progress the design and construction stage of the Plan until Hydrogen Power South Australia can be established as a government business enterprise to own and operate these hydrogen assets.

Yours sincerely



**Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP**  
Minister for Energy and Mining

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Dear Ms Thompson *Erin,*

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs at  
City of Marion about traffic management on Majors Road at IQRA College in  
O'Halloran Hill.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) advises that the upgrade of Majors Road between the Southern Expressway and Main South Road is in the final stage of construction, with major works completed at the end of June 2022, and minor finishing works anticipated to be completed by the end of August 2022, weather permitting.

Works undertaken on this section included pavement rehabilitation and widening, construction of a new road junction at the access to Glenthorne National Park, installation of a refuge at the Patrick Jonker Veloway Bikeway and new road lighting for the extent of the works.

As part of an election commitment, the Australian and South Australian Governments have committed to jointly fund (50:50) the \$120 million construction of a new interchange for the Southern Expressway at Majors Road at O'Halloran Hill.

The Department has commenced with planning, engineering investigations and design to support the Project. It is anticipated that planning phase works will be completed by the end of 2022. Further details on construction commencement and completion will be determined as part of the planning phase.

The planning works will determine the most appropriate interchange layout seeking to minimise impacts on Glenthorne National Park – Ityamaitpinna Yarta and vegetation.

A review of the posted speed limit on Majors Road between Ocean Boulevard and Main South Road is currently being considered as part of this planning work.

I am further advised that community consultation on this project has now begun, with information available at the project website [www.dit.sa.gov.au/majorsinterchange](http://www.dit.sa.gov.au/majorsinterchange).

Should the community have any further enquiries, I encourage them to contact the the Department Project Team by telephone on 1300 794 880 or email [dit.communityrelations@sa.gov.au](mailto:dit.communityrelations@sa.gov.au).

I trust this information will be of assistance.

Yours sincerely



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

20 August 2022

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Dear Ms Thompson

Thank you for your correspondence in relation to the upgrade of Main Road, Cherry Gardens. I understand that you have also written to the Treasurer, the Hon Stephen Mullighan MP about this matter. I will be responding on behalf of the Government.

On the 2 June 2022, the State Government announced joint funding with the Federal Government of a total of \$150 million over five years to upgrade strategic roads through the Adelaide Hills area. This program seeks to support economic growth, improve road safety, and increase fire resilience in the hills area. This initiative incorporates the Government's election commitment to deliver \$10 million of improvements to Main Road, Cherry Gardens.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport has advised that \$3 million for road resurfacing works on Main Road, Cherry Gardens will be completed in March 2023, weather permitting.

Further planning works will be completed to identify other works for Main Road, Cherry Gardens which will consider the function of the road, and include pavement widening and pavement rehabilitation, easing of tight curves, shoulder sealing, audio tactical line marking, roadside barriers and hazard removal.

Community engagement will form an important part in the planning process which is anticipated to commence in late 2022.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

22 August 2022

**Erin Thompson MP**  
MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
GPO Box 1533  
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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

I write to you on behalf of Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Happy Valley, who has concerns regarding the surface condition of Flagstaff Road.

Ms **Clause 6 (1)** advises me significant potholes have reopened along Flagstaff Road between Black Road and Astley Street. The potholes affect northbound traffic in the righthand lane.

Ms **Clause 6 (1)** believes the road condition has the potential to damage vehicles travelling at the signed speed limit of 70 km/h. Having recently investigated this matter myself, I agree with Ms **Clause 6 (1)** assessment.

I would appreciate you investigating this matter on behalf of Flagstaff Road users, along with your advice for inclusion in my response to Ms **Clause 6 (1)**.

Yours sincerely,

Erin Thompson MP  
Member for Davenport

23 August 2022

Ref: INFR052



# Erin Thompson MP

MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

I write to you on behalf of the **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** regarding soundproofing works at the Warriparinga Wetlands.

The Warriparinaga Wetlands is a site of great cultural and environmental significance in the Davenport electorate, and serves as one my community's important open spaces.

Following the completion of the Darlington Interchange, the **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** requested the Department for Infrastructure and Transport undertake soundproofing measures – similar to treatments installed further along Main South Road – to protect Laffer's Triangle from noise pollution.

As Laffer's Triangle was not considered a residential zone when the request was initially raised, soundproofing works were never conducted. Due to the proposed rezoning of Lot 707, which intends to include residential properties, I request this matter be investigated once again.

I would appreciate you revisiting this matter on behalf of the **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** and potential residents of Lot 707, along with your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

**Erin Thompson MP**  
**Member for Davenport**

26 August 2022

Ref: INFR054

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# Erin Thompson MP

MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP  
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

I write to you on behalf of Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs** a resident of Happy Valley, who has concerns regarding the condition of road surfaces in the southern suburbs.

Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** advises me she has previously contacted the Department for Infrastructure and Transport in relation to the lefthand turning lane at Main South Road servicing Candy Road, and Panalatinga Road at Solace Drive, Woodcroft

Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** believes the roads at these locations currently pose a risk to motorists. I have visited the Candy Road location and noted the surface of the road is in desperate need of repair.

Are you able to advise whether the Department plans to undertake maintenance works at the intersection of Main South Road and Candy Road, and Panalatinga Road at Woodcroft?

I would appreciate you investigating this matter on behalf of Ms **Clause 6 (1) - Personal** along with your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

**Erin Thompson MP**  
Member for Davenport

29 August 2022

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Dear Ms Thompson *Erin,*

Thank you for your correspondence on behalf of your constituent, Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs in relation to his solar feed-in tariffs.

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I understand that Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs retailer, Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs has advised him that his retailer feed-in tariff will be discontinued when his current contract ends because he is also receiving the distributor feed-in tariff.

The Department for Energy and Mining sought advice from the Essential Services Commission of South Australia (ESCOSA) which monitors retailer feed-in tariffs on an ongoing basis.

ESCOSA advise that in accordance with regulations and legislation, Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs can apply its retailer feed-in tariff conditions however it chooses to. Customers Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs still receive both the retailer and distributor feed-in tariffs. However, this will depend on their contract with the retailer.

More information about ESCOSA's monitoring role of retailer feed-in tariffs is available at [www.escosa.com.au](http://www.escosa.com.au) by searching 'Solar feed-in tariff scheme'.

The Energy and Water Ombudsman of South Australia has also advised that pricing and tariff matters are out of its jurisdiction, however it does monitor retailers' communication and will discuss any issues it finds directly with the retailer.

The continued growth in solar generation has lowered electricity bills for thousands of South Australians but also led to the challenge of generating significantly more electricity in the middle of the day than in the past.

Wholesale electricity prices constantly fluctuate with supply and demand on the electricity grid. During the middle of the day, when consumers with solar are typically exporting, the price of electricity is very low and can sometimes be negative.


Retailer feed-in tariffs are effectively what a retailer pays to buy energy from a solar customer instead of buying that energy from the wholesale market. Consequently, retailers have reduced their tariffs to reflect the lower price of electricity during peak solar times. This is not a government decision.

The 44c per kilowatt hour distributor feed-in tariff operates differently. It was legislated in 2008 and is due to run until 30 June 2028. The Government has no plans to amend that.

The South Australian Government's Energy Advisory Service is a free service that provides independent information on energy topics. I encourage Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs to use this service to discuss how his solar panels can work best for him by calling 8204 1888 or emailing [energyadvice@sa.gov.au](mailto:energyadvice@sa.gov.au).

I also encourage Mr Clause 6 (1) - Personal Affairs to investigate other market offers to ensure he is receiving the best deal to suit his needs. He can do this through the Australian Energy Regulator's 'Energy Made Easy' service at [www.energymadeeasy.gov.au](http://www.energymadeeasy.gov.au) or on 1300 585 165.

Yours sincerely

  
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Dear Ms Thompson

*Erin,*

Thank you for your correspondence on behalf of Ms Clause 6 (1) regarding pedestrian access across Main South Road to Bus Stop 34, O Halloran Hill.

Each year the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (The Department) receives many requests to undertake works at specific locations throughout the State. Unfortunately, the cost to undertake all these projects substantially exceeds the available funding, so a priority system is used to assess which projects will receive funding. This approach ensures funding is allocated to projects where the greatest safety benefit can be provided to the community as a whole.

Accordingly, the Department undertook a review of this section of Main South Road. Given the information obtained, including the low bus patronage and pedestrian crossing movements, this location is considered a low priority and funding cannot be justified at this time.

For your information, priority for the 2022-23 financial year has been placed on funding safety improvements along Main South Road, between Arthur Street and Majors Road.

Please be assured that the Department will continue to monitor movements near Bus Stop 34, and should the need for change become evident, the appropriate action will be taken in the interests of road safety.

Yours sincerely

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MEMBER FOR DAVENPORT



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Dear Minister Koutsantonis,

I write to you regarding the intersection of Black Road and Ridgway Drive at Flagstaff Hill.

Flagstaff Hill residents believe 'keep clear' signage is required on the roadway at this location to prevent queuing, which affects traffic movement on Ridgway Drive.

The nearby Flagstaff Hill Primary School pedestrian crossing is positioned immediately west of the intersection in question, and often halts traffic during rush hour. Queued traffic on Black Road in turn prevents road users from exiting Ridgway Drive, and – on occasion – impacts those wanting to access the local shopping centre.

For reference, I have enclosed a recent letter from a Davenport constituent with my correspondence.

I would appreciate you investigating this matter on behalf of my constituents, along with your advice for inclusion in my response.

Yours sincerely,

**Erin Thompson MP**  
**Member for Davenport**

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