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FORMAL ACCESS TO INFORMATION REQUEST Application Form

Pursuant to section 41 of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*

INFORMATION: This form is to assist you to apply for access to information held by Griffith City Council, pursuant to the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* (GIPA Act). GIPA Act has replaced the *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (FOI Act).

You are required to pay \$30.00 when you lodge this request, pursuant to section 41 of the GIPA Act. Further, this Access Application may incur a process charge of \$30.00 per hour, pursuant to section 64 of the GIPA Act. However, section 64(3) provides that your Application fee will count as payment towards any processing charge that you may be required to pay.

You may lodge this Access Application at Griffith City Council's Customer Service Centre, 1 Benerembah Street, Griffith during normal business hours, 8.15am to 4.00pm, Monday to Friday.

This Access Application will be determined within 20 working days from the date it is received by Griffith City Council, unless an extension of time applies, in which case you will be duly notified.

1. Your details

Surname: **Title:** Mr Mrs Ms

Other names:

Postal address: **Postcode:**

Day-time telephone: **Facsimile:**

Email:

The questions below are optional and the information will only be used for the purposes of providing better service.

Place of birth: **Main language spoken:**

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander: Yes No

Do you have special needs for assistance with this application:

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I agree to receive correspondence at the above email address.

2. Proof of identity

Only required when an applicant is requesting information on their own behalf.

When seeking access to personal information, an applicant must provide proof of identity in the form of a *certified copy* of any one of the following documents:

- ☐ Australian driver's licence
(with photograph, signature and current address)
- ☐ Current Australian passport
- ☐ Other proof of signature and current address details

3. Government information (information to which you seek access)

Please describe the information you would like to access in enough detail to allow us to identify it.

Note: If you do not give enough details about the information, Council may refuse to process your application.

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Are you seeking personal information? **Yes** **No**

A public interest test will be applied to the information sought in this Access Application. In this regard if you wish to make a submission as to what public interest considerations you think should be considered in determining your request, please attach your submission to this form.

4. Form of access

How do you wish to access the information?

- ☐ Inspect the information ☐ Copy the information
- ☐ Access in another way (please specify)

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5. Application Fee

I attach payment of the **\$30 application fee** by cash cheque money order .

(Note: please do NOT send cash by post)

6. Disclosure log

If the information sought is released to you and would be of interest to other members of the public, details about your application may be recorded in Griffith City Council's 'Disclosure Log'. This is published on Council's website.

Do you object to this? **Yes** **No**

The following information is included in Council's Disclosure Log.

- * Application Number * Date of Application * Date of Decision
- * Description of information provided * If the information is publicly available.

If you have objected to the inclusion of information, Council officers will contact you to discuss whether or not you are entitled to exclusion from the Disclosure Log.

7. Discount in processing charges

You may be asked to pay a charge for processing the application (\$30 / hour). Some applicants may be entitled to a 50% reduction in their processing charges. If you wish to apply for a discount, please indicate the reason:

(Please tick the appropriate box)

☐ Financial hardship – please attach supporting documentation (eg a pension or Centrelink card). (Section 65)

☐ Special benefit to the public – please specify why below: (Section 66)

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☐ Waiver of charge for personal information application (20 hours) (Section 67)

We may contact you in writing in the near future if you are required to provide an advance deposit, pursuant to section 68 of the GIPA Act or provide us with information regarding your persona factors pursuant to section 55 of the GIPA Act.

If you have other information that may be relevant to the determination of your Access Application, please provide that information below:

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Applicant's signature: Date:

Please post this form to Griffith City Council, PO Box 485, Griffith NSW 2680 or lodge it at Council's Customer Service Centre located at 1 Benerembah Street, Griffith NSW 2680.