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Our reference: F160/18-19

Mr Casey Briggs ABC News 85 North East Road COLLINSWOOD SA 5081

Dear Mr Briggs

I refer to your Freedom of Information application received on 27 February 2019. You have requested a copy of the following:

"communications, documents, briefs and emails relating to applications for home modifications and fit-for-purpose vehicles for foster carers between 1 January 2018 and 21 February 2019; Instructions and guidance notes to staff of the Department for Child Protection relating to applications for home modifications and fit-for-purpose vehicles for foster carers between 1 January 2018 and 21 February 2019. The number of applications made by foster or kinship carers for financial support to purchase fit-for-purpose vehicles in the 2018 calendar year; The number of applications made by foster or kinship carers for financial support to undertake home modifications in the 2018 calendar year; The number of applications approved by the Department for Child Protection for financial support for a foster or kinship carer to purchase a fit-for-purpose vehicle in the 2018 calendar year; and The number of applications approved by the Department for Child Protection for financial support for a foster or kinship carer to undertake home modifications in the 2018 calendar year."

Date range: 1/1/2018 - 21/2/19

I wrote to you on 5 March 2019 in relation to your FOI application and discussed your request with you by telephone on 7 March 2019 where you agreed to narrow the scope of your request to:

"communications, documents, briefs and emails created or sent by staff who work in either the Department for Child Protection's Adelaide head office or Salisbury local office between 1 January 2018 and 21 February 2019, which relate to applications for home modifications and fit-for-purpose vehicles for foster carers; and instructions and guidance notes to staff of the DCP relating to applications for home modifications and fit-for-purpose vehicles for foster carers between 1 January 2018 and 21 February 2019".

Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your application. Searches have been conducted for documents matching the scope of your request and 42 documents were identified. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 1991, (the FOI Act), I have determined to release 37 documents in part and five in full. A schedule of documents is attached.

The documents to be released in part contain confidential personal information that is exempt from release. Clause 6 (1) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act states:

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).

If you have any questions regarding this determination please contact me on telephone (08) 8226 6621.

If you are dissatisfied with this determination, you can seek an Internal Review by writing to the Chief Executive, Department for Child Protection as the Principal Officer of this agency. Your request should be sent within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

I have also enclosed a copy of your rights to review and appeal this determination, which explains your review options.

Yours sincerely

Christian Fenech

ACCREDITED FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

June 2019

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991 YOUR RIGHTS TO REVIEW AND APPEAL

1. INTERNAL REVIEW

If you are dissatisfied or "aggrieved" with certain decisions or "determinations" of an agency/council/university (regarding access to documents or amendment of records), under S.29 and S.38 of the *Freedom of Information Act (SA) 1991*, you can apply to the agency/council/university concerned for an internal review of its determination.

To apply for an internal review of a determination you must write a letter addressed to the Principal Officer or lodge an internal review application form with the same agency/council/university as made the determination. This also must be addressed to the Principal Officer. The application must be accompanied by the appropriate fee (if applicable). The application should be lodged within 30 days of the original determination.

The agency/council/university will undertake its internal review and advise you of its decision within 14 days of receipt of the application.

There is no right to an internal review of a determination made by a Minister or Principal Officer of an agency/council/university.

2. INVESTIGATION BY THE OMBUDSMAN/POLICE COMPLAINTS AUTHORITY

After an internal review has been completed, if you are still dissatisfied with the agency/council/university's determination, you can request an external review by the Ombudsman/Police Complaints Authority of the determination. The Ombudsman/Police Complaints Authority is empowered to investigate the conduct of any person or body in relation to a determination made by an agency/council/university under this Act. (If an application determination was made by a police officer, or the Minister responsible for the administration of the SA Police, applications for external review are made to the Police Complaints Authority. All other applications for external review should be made to the Ombudsman.)

You may also request an external review by the Ombudsman/Police Complaints Authority if you have no right to an internal review.

The application for review by the Ombudsman/Police Complaints Authority should be lodged within 30 days of the after the date of a determination.

Investigations by the Ombudsman/Police Complaints Authority are free. Further information is available from the Office of the Ombudsman or Police Complaints Authority.

3. REVIEW BY SACAT

You have a right to apply for a review by SACAT if you are unhappy with:

- a determination not subject to Internal Review
- an Internal Review determination, or
- the outcome of a review by the Ombudsman SA or the Police Ombudsman.

You must exercise your right of review with SACAT within 30 calendar days after being advised of the above types of determinations or the results of a review.

Any costs will be determined by SACAT, where applicable.

For more information contact SACAT. Contact Details: South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (SACAT)

Phone: 1800 723 767

Email: sacat@sacat.sa.gov.au

SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS

Item No.	Dated	Author	Recipient	Title/Description		Determination	ion
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16	10 January	Diane Otto	Redacted	Exceptional	Resource	Release	.⊑
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21	2 May 2018	Marian Nesbitt	DCP:Region North	Exceptional	Resources	Release	.⊑
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22	1 May 2018	Sandra Wortmeyer	Ivanka Trikaliotis	Exceptional	Resources	Release	.⊑
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23	20 March	Ivanka Trikaliotis	DCP:Region North	Exceptional	Resources	Release	.⊑
	2018		Documentation	Funding		part	
24	1 August	DCP:Region North	Marian Nesbitt	Exceptional	Resources	Release	.⊑
	2018	Documentation		Funding		part	
25	24 July	Marian Nesbitt	DCP:Region North	Exceptional	Resources	Release	.⊑
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26	10	Sandra Wortmeyer	Megan Cheverton	Exceptional	Resources	Release	.⊑
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From:

DCP:Region North Documentation

To:

Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP) Pearson, Renee (DCP)

Cc: Subject:

APPROVED - N/ERF0194 -

Attachments:

doc140213.pdf

- ERF

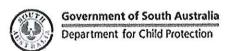
Approved with review in 3 months, please ensure the request for the next period of lease is submitted before expiry.

Sandie Wortmeyer

Executive Assistant to the Director, North Region

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From: Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Sent: Monday, 15 October 2018 4:11 PM **To:** DCP:Region North Documentation

Subject:

- ERF -re-submitting:)

For Michaels approval @ take 5 (I think)

Ivanka Trikaliotis

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From:

DCP:Region North Documentation

To:

Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Cc:

Power, Brighid (DCP); Pearson, Renee (DCP)

Subject:

Approved - N/ERF0225 -

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Attachments:

doc147445.pdf

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From: Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Sent: Thursday, 22 November 2018 3:52 PM

To: DCP:Region North Documentation

Subject: N/ERF0225 - ERF

For Michael's approval

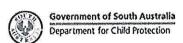
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From:

Wortmeyer, Sandie (DCP) on behalf of DCP:Region North Documentation

Sent:

Wednesday, 30 January 2019 10:56 AM

To:

Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Cc: Subject: Pearson, Renee (DCP)

Approved - N/ERF0322 -

- ERF - urgent -

Attachments:

NERF0322 - Vehicle Lease -

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Hi Ivanka

This request has been approved. Please note Sue's comments

"Approved for 3 months. Office to conduct a proper review including financials to occur before any further consideration of vehicle support."

Sandie Wortmeyer

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From: Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Sent: Tuesday, 29 January 2019 3:59 PM To: DCP:Region North Documentation

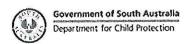
Subject: N/ERF0322 - |

ERF - urgent -

Additional info required added @ For Sues approval

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From:

Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Sent:

Thursday, 8 February 2018 2:16 PM

To:

DCP:Region North Documentation

Subject:

Attachments:

20180208141453201.pdf

For Sue's approval

Ivanka Trikaliotis

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Scanlon, Anne-Marie (DCP)" < Anne-Marie. Scanlon@sa.gov.au >

Date: 1 February 2019 at 12:42:43 pm ACDT

To: "Tancock, Bianca (DCP)" < Bianca.Tancock@sa.gov.au Subject: RE: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Thank you – we will need to do the special needs loading forms and then send of to be processed. I have approved on c3

Warm regards,

Anne-Marie Scanlon

Manager

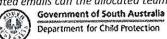
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From: Tancock, Bianca (DCP)

Sent: Thursday, 31 January 2019 12:59 PM

To: Scanlon, Anne-Marie (DCP)
Cc: Willson, Rachel (DCP)

Subject: RE: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Hi Anne-Marie,

I have just sent 1 and.

; CAT for approval to you and attached the emails below, once

approved I will call carer payments to process the agreed loading.

Kind regards, Bianca Tancock

Supervisor

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From: Scanlon, Anne-Marie (DCP)

Sent: Thursday, 31 January 2019 12:01 PM

To: Tancock, Bianca (DCP)
Cc: Willson, Rachel (DCP)

Subject: FW: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Hello Bianca,

Please see below. Can you please follow up as a priority and record the email as the authority for

this loading. Thank you

Warm regards,

Anne-Marie Scanlon

Manager

Salisbury DCP Office

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From: Barr, Sue (DCP)

Sent: Thursday, 31 January 2019 11:27 AM

To: Scanlon, Anne-Marie (DCP)
Cc: Willson, Rachel (DCP)

Subject: FW: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Please note and action accordingly and confirm that arrangements are in place.

Many thanks.

Regards,

Sue Barr

Regional Director, North

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From: Barr, Sue (DCP)

Sent: Thursday, 31 January 2019 11:26 AM

To: Ward, Fiona (DCP);

Cc: Abbott, Lucas (DCP); Browne, Jennifer (DCP)

Subject: RE: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Thanks and Fiona,

I shall advise Anne-Marie Scanlon and ensure that the required administrative processing occurs.

Regards, Sue Barr

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From: Ward, Fiona (DCP)

Sent: Thursday, 31 January 2019 10:09 AM

To:

Cc: Barr, Sue (DCP); Abbott, Lucas (DCP); Browne, Jennifer (DCP)

Subject: Re: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Thanks for your email

And apologies for the delay in dealing with the review of the decision originally made prior to Sue and myself being in our roles. I am pleased that we have been able to find a suitable alternative arrangement to support the children in your care.

Sue can you action please.

kind regards

Fiona Ward
Deputy Chief Executive
Department for Child Protection
Sent from my iPhone

On 31 Jan 2019, at 10:28 am,

· wrote:

Hi Fiona,

Thank you for your email.

Your assurance in providing the 25% allocated loading for the children while they remain in my care at my current address is accepted and appreciated.

I am relieved my journey in this matter has come to an end.

I can only hope that no other Carer will experience the exceptional long drawn out DCP decision making process that I had to endure.

I assume the Salisbury manager will be informed of this decision and 25% allocated loading will be processed.

Regards

From: Otto, Diane (DCP) On Behalf Of Ward, Fiona (DCP)

Sent: Friday, 11 January 2019 3:19 PM

To:

Subject: FW: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Dear

I appreciate your response and once again would like to acknowledge the ongoing commitment that you have made in providing care for

I would like to acknowledge your request in relation to the annual review process as detailed in your email.

Unfortunately, I cannot provide you an assurance in writing that the children's circumstances will not be reviewed annually.

Departmental policy and legislative requirements under the Children and Young People (Safety) Act 2017 require that the circumstances of children and young people in long term care needs to be reviewed on, at least, an annual basis. The annual review process gives an opportunity to consider whether existing arrangements for the care of a child continue to be in the children's best interests and provide the support necessary to meet the needs of the child.

However, I can provide assurance in writing that while the children remain in your care and reside at your current property that the 25% allocated loading, as agreed will remain in effect.

Regards

Fiona Ward

Deputy Chief Executive

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From: Otto, Diane (DCP) On Behalf Of Ward, Fiona (DCP)

Sent: Thursday, 10 January 2019 10:32 AM

To:

Subject: RE: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Dear

I appreciate your response and wanted to inform you that a more detailed response will soon be sent.

Apologies for any delay in responding.

Regards

Fiona Ward

Deputy Chief Executive

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From:

Sent: Friday, 21 December 2018 12:08 PM

To: Ward, Fiona (DCP) < Fiona. Ward@sa.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Hi Fiona

I would like to acknowledge your commitment in investigating other options for my Exceptional Resource Funding application.

Again you have highlighted that DCP has provided financial assistance for a vehicle, some cleaning costs, storage and furniture, I feel I have to justify my family needs as to the reasons why the funding was provided;

Funding for furniture:

When the children came into my care in , I didn't have enough beds for them to sleep in, DCP provided me with set up furniture of a set of bunks, foam mattresses and cots with mattresses and one set of chest of draws for their clothing. Later, DCP purchased beds that had draws underneath for storage for their clothing and 3 better quality mattresses and a toddler bed and a mattress. Due to the eldest children's ongoing bed wetting the mattresses became soiled and damaged so DCP purchased plastic mattresses that were more hygienic for the babies to sleep on.

Funding for vehicle:

or a seater vehicle for me. Prior to the Back in 2015, DCP approved vehicle and it did not meet the children coming into my care I owned a small safety requirements of transporting children in a vehicle. For several months prior to funding being approved, I was illegally and unsafely transporting the children years who all needed specific safety car aged months, months, years and seats for their ages. The situation was that I had car seats in the back seat with only two being safely attached to the car seat safety bolts and the other being secured by a safety belt. Every day I was required to shut the back doors by squeezing the car seats together and quickly slamming the doors shut, as the car seats were too big for the small back seat. The oldest child always sat in the front seat with me with no car seat. Before the was approved DCP hired me a larger vehicle to transport the children. Purchasing a vehicle was an important necessity in keeping the children safe when I transported them.

Funding for cleaning:

During the reunification stage a social worker discussed with me, what support I needed as a carer to maintain the placement. I advised them that cleaning was the huge task that I struggled with and any help with the washing and some household chores would help me. Prior to the cleaning service being provided the weekends

was taken up with me doing household chores and washing massive amounts of clothing and bed linen (due to all the children bet wetting). I had no time to spend quality time with the children and they were unable to participate in weekend sports and recreational activities because of my lack of spare time.

As soon as the cleaning support was provided, our lives became so much easier as it relieved some stress and guilt for me not being able to spend quality time with all the children, I now had some help and more importantly free time for the babies. I enrolled the babies in to social activities, Karate and dancing. We were able to go on family activities to the cinema, beach, picnics, and zoo and to go out for meals together. Our lives became more enriched and happy, rather than feeling overwhelmed with ongoing chores that needed my attention.

Funding for Removalists and storage:

When I decided to rebuild a bigger bedroom house on the same big block that I owned, I had to move out and rent a property to stay while the build was being completed. I went from paying no rent, to paying a week. The department was unable to assist with my rent assistance, but there was a compromise with them paying for a removalists and storage costs, because my new rental property was much smaller than my house and most of the household furniture needed to be stored. I was in the rental property for year; the cost for the rent was for the year, a debt I never previously had, as I owned my own home.

I am aware that the department has increased I loading to 100% and I loadings to 50%, to cover the costs for the cleaner that I have continued to maintain. I understand and accept that an increase in I loadings to 25% would be used to repay my mortgage payment as you have suggested. I am prepared to provide the evidence that this will be done if justification is required.

What I am seeking is an assurance in writing, that I will not have to have the childrens loadings reviewed annually and potentially changed if the decision maker changes as this is about what the children need and not financial gain.

I am looking to ensure the long term wellbeing of the children whilst they are in my care by having some financial stability that will be ongoing regardless of changes to policy, government and individual case workers and DCP staff.

Regards

From: Otto, Diane (DCP) On Behalf Of Ward, Fiona (DCP)

Sent: Friday, 14 December 2018 9:27 AM

To:

Subject: Exceptional Resource Funding Application

Dear

As requested, the Department has reviewed what potential options for support can be offered.

Once again we would like to acknowledge the significant care commitment that you have made.

To this end, the department has previously approved other financial assistance such as a 'seater vehicle, some assistance with cleaning costs, storage and furniture which I trust has assisted you in your caring role.

As part of the review, the Department has looked at a range of options recognising the reality that families that support 3 young people or more under the guardianship of the Chief Executive are likely to incur an additional expense for accommodation. The department undertook market analysis over a range of suburbs recognising that there can be variability owning to location and stock. As a result of the outcome of the market analysis, it is recommended that an additional 25% loading on the basic subsidy be provided for both

who are under the guardianship of the Chief Executive. This loading is proposed as recognition of covering additional mortgage repayments that you may incur. Payments will be indexed annually and increase as the young people get older.

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already receiving 100% and 50% loading respectively and . Due to the department is unable to provide additional amounts.

Regards

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(From:

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To:

Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Cc:

Juett, Chantel (DCP); McGinlay, Sondra (DCP)

Subject:

Not Approved - N/ERF0115 -

/ - ERF

Attachments:

Not Approved – Please see Sue's comments.

"Will support 6 month lease car arrangement – please seek quotes for most cost effective price. Review post 6 month date"

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From: Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Sent: Tuesday, 20 March 2018 3:19 PM **To:** DCP:Region North Documentation

Subject: N/ERF0115 -

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From:

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Nesbitt, Marian (DCP)

Sent:

Wednesday, 2 May 2018 12:04 PM

To:

DCP:Region North Documentation FW: Not Approved - N/ERF0115 -

Subject: Attachments: ı - ERF

Hi Sandie,

As per Director request below we have followed up and determined the following costs:

6 month lease of vehicle – contacted Tod Johnson, Fleet Co-ordinator and he advised 6 month lease is no longer available. We could assign one of our govt vehicles to the family but that is not viable as Salisbury office is already at full capacity use of all our vehicles.

6 month hire of vehicle =

Could you please forward this information for further consideration by Director? Thankyou

Regards,

Marian Nesbitt

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Sent: Tuesday, 1 May 2018 3:39 PM

To: Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Cc: Juett, Chantel (DCP); McGinlay, Sondra (DCP)

Subject: Not Approved - N/ERF0115 -

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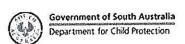
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Fenech, Christian (DCP)

From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, 1 August 2018 1:06 PM

To:

Nesbitt, Marian (DCP)

Subject:

Approved - N/ERF0167 - ERF -

Attachments:

Hi Marian

Please note this has been approved for lease only.

See Sue's comments "Purchase of vehicle not approved"

"Approval of 6 month lease with review whilst financial policies are reviewed.

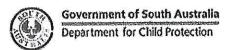
Carer to complete agreement form and carer to note in particular at dot point 2. ie any damages to be the full responsibility of carer"

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From: Nesbitt, Marian (DCP)

Sent: Tuesday, 24 July 2018 9:10 AM **To:** DCP:Region North Documentation

Subject: N/ERF0167 - ERF -

Hi Sandie,

Please find attached ERF applications for

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and

I (not sure if I sent this one last week?)

Thanks

Regards,

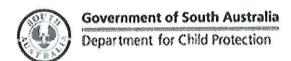
Regards,

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From:

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Wortmeyer, Sandie (DCP) on behalf of DCP:Region North Documentation

Sent:

Monday, 10 December 2018 3:12 PM

To:

Cheverton, Megan (DCP)

Subject:

N/ERF0244 - ERF :

Attachments:

H Megan

Was there any previous ERF's for the lease of the vehicle?

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From: Smith, Rebecca (DCP)

Sent: Friday, 7 December 2018 10:01 AM **To:** DCP:Region North Documentation

Cc: Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP) Subject: N/ERF0244 - ERF

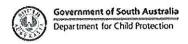
Good morning,

Please see attached Exceptional Resource Funding Request Application.

Kind regards

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Fenech, Christian (DCP)

From:

Wortmeyer, Sandie (DCP) on behalf of DCP:Region North Documentation

Sent:

Thursday, 13 December 2018 11:26 AM

To:

Smith, Rebecca (DCP)

Cc:

Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP); Cheverton, Megan (DCP)

Subject:

Approved - N/ERF0244 - ERF

Attachments:

Approved - Please note Sue's comments.

"Lease agreement section must be completed with carer"



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Sent: Friday, 7 December 2018 10:01 AM **To:** DCP:Region North Documentation

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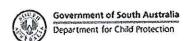
Kind regards

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From:

Wortmeyer, Sandie (DCP) on behalf of DCP:Region North Documentation

Sent:

Tuesday, 11 December 2018 1:41 PM

To:

Cheverton, Megan (DCP)

Subject:

RE: N/ERF0244 - ERF

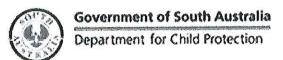
Thanks Megan

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From: Cheverton, Megan (DCP)

Sent: Tuesday, 11 December 2018 12:41 PM

To: DCP:Region North Documentation

Subject: RE: N/ERF0244 - ERF

Im sorry we didn't do this.

The carer booked the car in her name but we paid for the cost

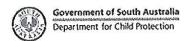
Kind regards,

Megan Cheverton

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From: Wortmeyer, Sandra (DCP) On Behalf Of DCP: Region North Documentation

Sent: Monday, 10 December 2018 4:38 PM

To: Cheverton, Megan (DCP) Subject: RE: N/ERF0244 - ERF

Thanks Megan,

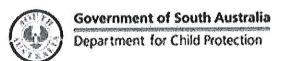
Did you do a lease agreement between the Department and the Carer, is so could you forward that to me please?

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From: Cheverton, Megan (DCP)

Sent: Monday, 10 December 2018 4:10 PM
To: DCP:Region North Documentation
Subject: RE: N/ERF0244 - ERF

Hi Sandra,

No this is the first EFR. Initial planning was for 'conflict and return her to placement however

to stay in respite for one week with the view to settle the

The complexity has increased with Care concerns being raised and

currently refusing to return.

We sourced the vehicle only for a short period initially with Manager financial delegation as at that time we did not anticipate the extension

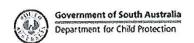
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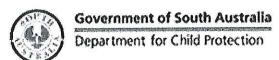
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Sent: Friday, 7 December 2018 10:01 AM **To:** DCP:Region North Documentation

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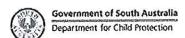
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Wortmeyer, Sandie (DCP) on behalf of DCP:Region North Documentation

Sent:

Tuesday, 12 February 2019 2:02 PM

To:

Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Cc:

Willson, Rachel (DCP)

Subject:

Approved - N/ERF0338 -

- ERF

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Approved – please note Sue's comments.

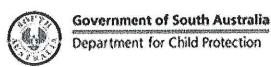
"Option B - Lease due to current review of policy by finance"

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I acknowledge that I work on the traditional country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains. I recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. I acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.



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37 From: Trikaliotis, Ivanka (DCP)

Sent: Monday, 11 February 2019 4:30 PM To: DCP:Region North Documentation Subject: N/ERF0338 - " - ERF

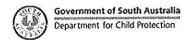
For Sue's approval

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From:

Barr, Sue (DCP)

Sent:

Tuesday, 29 January 2019 3:29 PM

To:

Scanlon, Anne-Marie (DCP)

Cc:

Wortmeyer, Sandie (DCP); Lynch, Belinda (DCP)

Subject:

Approved - N/ERF0321 - URGENT: approval for hire car to be extended for a

further two weeks

Approved . 2 weeks

Sandie are you able to identify all car lease arrangements and see when expiry dates are? I'm concerned that this may happen more than on this occasion.

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. Has all the paperwork been properly done for this in case there are complications?

Sue Barr Regional Director, North Department for Child Protection

Sent from my iPhone

On 29 Jan 2019, at 3:02 pm, Scanlon, Anne-Marie (DCP) < Anne-Marie. Scanlon@sa.gov.au > wrote:

Hello Sue,

My apologies for this very late request. This relates to

years old.

was in

placement with

and then moved to her respite carer

. She remains

with

Currently.

rang me half an hour ago and advised me that the lease (ERF attached) expires today. has multiple stressors on her and the family at the moment, with the largest being her

having

; surgery tomorrow.

Can I please seek approval for the to be extended for a further two weeks to allow us time to meet with and further discuss needs? Given the surgery I am seeking longer than one week to allow the family time to manage competing priorities.

We will forward appropriate approval as needed follow a meeting with

Thank you

Anne-Marie

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From:

Kamil, Alice (DCP)

Sent:

Wednesday, 4 July 2018 11:13 AM

To:

Phillips-Zota, Gemayel (DCP)

Cc:

Subject:

Attachments:

Nesbitt, Marian (DCP)

Approved.

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From: Phillips-Zota, Gemayel (DCP) Sent: Friday, 15 June 2018 3:51 PM To: DCP:Region North Documentation

Subject: N/ERF0146 - Exception Resource Funding Request Application

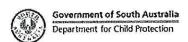
Hello,

Please find attachment documents for Sue Barr's consideration.

Kind regards,

Gemayel Phillips-Zota Social Worker Guardianship Team D Department for Child Protection 16-18 Ann Street, SALISBURY SA 5108 Tel: 82094910





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I acknowledge the land I work on is the traditional lands of the Kaurna people and I respect their spiritual relationship with their country. I also acknowledge the Kaurna people as the custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural heritage and cultural beliefs are still as important to the living Kaurna people today.



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Fenech, Christian (DCP)

From:

DCP:Communications <dcpcommunications=sa.gov.au@cmail19.com> on behalf of

DCP:Communications

Sent:

Thursday, 27 September 2018 3:35 PM

To:

Legedza, Christie (DCP)

Subject:

A message from the CFO - Exceptional Resource Funding

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Exceptional Resource Funding Procedure review

Dear Colleagues

The DCP Exceptional Resource Funding Procedure is currently being reviewed against other government agencies policies and practices.

During the review period, all applications associated with home modifications / extensions / alterations and the purchasing of vehicles will not be approved, effective immediately.

Applications associated with non-government school enrolments and payment of fees, non-government Education Service Officers (ESO) or School Services Officers (SSO), insurance claims between \$1,000 - \$10,000, leasing of vehicles and other qualifying applications above \$5,000 can continue to be submitted to your Regional Director for consideration.

The Exceptional Resource Funding Procedure, forms and supporting documentation have been updated <u>on the intranet</u> to reflect the above interim process. Please discard any printed copies of the previous procedure.

Further advice will be provided once the formal review is complete.

Kind regards,

Jennifer Browne
Chief Financial Officer

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