

EPPING CITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NPC PAIA MANUAL

(prepared in terms of section 14 of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2 of 2000 ("PAIA"))

of

EPPING CITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NPC
A Non-Profit Company with Voting Members
(registration number: 2001/028149/08)
(the "ECID NPC")

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1. **DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1. "additional rate" means the additional rate levied by the City of Cape Town on rateable properties within the designated boundaries of the Special Rating Area for purposes of raising funds for improving and upgrading that area, subject to any exemptions or permissible differentiation between categories of property, as contemplated in section 22(1) of the Rates Act, read with sections 8(1) and 12(2) of the By-Law;
- 1.2. **"business plan"** means a motivation report, implementation plan and term budget as contemplated in section 6 of the By-Law;
- 1.3. "By-law" means the City of Cape Town: Special Rating Area By-Law, 2012;
- 1.4. "CID" means a contiguous geographic area, designated by the Council for the levying of an additional rate on rateable properties within its boundaries to finance improvements and upgrades of the district to be carried out by its management body as contemplated in section 22 of the MPRA, which may be further categorised as a Residential Improvement District, Mixed-Use Improvement District or Business Improvement District;
- 1.5. "City" means the City of Cape Town, a municipality established in terms of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 117 of 1998 (the "Structures Act"), as amended;
- 1.6. "Companies Act" means the Companies Act, 71 of 2008;
- 1.7. "Constitution" means the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996;
- 1.8. "Council" means the Council of the City;
- 1.9. **"finance agreement"** means the finance agreement concluded between the Company and the City pursuant to section 12(6) of the By-law;
- 1.10. "Information Officer" has the meaning assigned to it in section 1(x)(c) of PAIA;
- 1.11. "**MFMA**" means Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 56 of 2003:
- 1.12. "MOI" means the CID NPC's Memorandum of Incorporation (including the schedules attached thereto), adopted in terms of section 15 of the Companies Act:
- 1.13. "municipal services" has the meaning assigned to it in section 1 of the Systems Act;
- 1.14. "PAIA" means the Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2 of 2000;
- 1.15. "PAJA" means the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, 3 of 2000;
- 1.16. "**personal information**" has the meaning assigned to it in terms of section 1(xviii) of PAIA;

- 1.17. "**personal requestor**" has the meaning assigned to it in terms of section 1(xix) of PAIA;
- 1.18. "**policy**" means the City of Cape Town: Special Rating Areas Policy in force at any relevant time;
- 1.19. "**principal object**" means the principal object of the Company as set out in article 4.1 of its MOI;
- 1.20. "property" means immovable property registered in the name of a person, including, in the case of a sectional title scheme, a sectional title unit registered in the name of a person, located within the geographical boundaries of the SRA on which the City may levy an additional rate as provided for in section 229(1)(a) of the Constitution read with section 22 of the Rates Act;
- 1.21. "Rates Act" means the Municipal Property Rates Act, 6 of 2004;
- 1.22. "**record**" has the meaning assigned to it in section 1(xxiv) of PAIA, viz.: "any recorded information (a) regardless of form or medium; in the possession or under control of [the CID NPC] ...; and (c) whether or not it was created by [the CID NPC] ...";
- 1.23. "requester" has the meaning assigned to in section 1(xxvii) of PAIA;
- 1.24. "**request for access**" has the meaning assigned to in section 1(xxxvi)(a) of PAIA;
- 1.25. "SAHRC" means the South African Human Rights Commission;
- 1.26. "SRA" means the special rating area determined by the Council in terms of section 22 of the Rates Act, read with section 8(1) of the By-Law, the boundaries of which are delineated in Annexure A to this Manual, which is managed by the ECID NPC.
- 1.27. "Systems Act" means the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 32 of 2000; and
- 1.28. **"term budget"** means the term budget of the Company, contemplated in section 6 of the By-law.

2. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

- 2.1. In terms of section 32 of the Constitution "everyone has the right of access to any information held by the State; and ... any information that is held by another person and that is required for the exercise or protection of any rights".
- 2.2. PAIA gives effect to section 32, providing for the procedures in terms of which access to information may be requested and the grounds upon which such requests may be refused. These grounds seek to strike a balance between the right to access information on the one hand, and the reasonable protection of privacy and commercial confidentiality, on the other hand.
- 2.3. In compliance with its duties as a "public body" in terms of section 1(xxiii)(b)(ii) of PAIA, the CID NPC has compiled this manual to assist members of the public

in exercising their rights under PAIA. The Manual outlines: (1) the CID NPC's (i) establishment and statutory mandate; (ii) structure, functions and objectives; and (iii) contact details; (2) The procedure for requesting information from the CID NPC; (3) An outline of the CID NPC's records, identifying information that is automatically available and information that may be requested under PAIA; and (4) Fees payable when requesting access to any of these records.

2.4. This Manual is available for inspection, free of charge, at the CID NPC's offices (see para 5 below). The Manual can also be accessed on the website: www.ecid.org.za. For any information not contained in this manual, kindly contact the Information Officer identified below.

3. <u>ESTABLISHMENT AND STATUTORY MANDATE</u>

- 3.1. To promote urban development, the Rates Act authorises Council to establish a Special Rating Area ("SRA"),¹ and to levy an additional rate on property located in the SRA to fund the improvement and upgrade of the area.²
- 3.2. The Council has enacted a By-law to give effect to this power, providing for a community-driven process in establishing such an area, referred to as a City Improvement District ("CID"). Applicants must prepare a business plan, outlining among others things proposed capital improvements and improved or upgraded municipal services. The By-law further stipulates that a non-profit company must be incorporated to carry out a CID's business plan.³
- 3.3. On 28 May 2003 Council resolved to establish the geographical area depicted in Annexure "A" attached hereto as the Epping City Improvement District CID.⁴
- 3.4. The CID NPC was incorporated for the sole purpose of implementing the CID's business plan, as approved by Council.
- 3.5. In accordance with section 11(3) of the By-law, the City monitors the CID NPC's compliance with the By-Law, with any guidelines or policies adopted by the City and any agreements entered into between the CID NPC and the City.
- 3.6. All registered owners of property located in the CID and liable for payment of the additional rate are entitled to become members of the CID NPC.⁵

¹ Section 22(1)(a) of the Rates Act.

² Section 22(a)(b) of the Rates Act.

³ Section 11 of the By-law.

⁴ In terms of section 8(1) of the By-Law, read with section 22 of the Rates Act.

⁵ See article 9 of the CID NPC's MOI.

4. ORGANISATIONAL PROFILE

- 4.1. The CID NPC is managed by its board of directors.
- 4.2. The current board members are as follows:
 - 4.2.1. AHRON GROPPER Chairperson;
 - 4.2.2. BRONWEN HEATHER DYKE BEYER Vice Chairperson
 - 4.2.3. HEINRICH RICHARD HUSSELMANN -Treasurer
 - 4.2.4. GAVIN ANDREW ISHERWOOD
 - 4.2.5. XAVIER FAZAKERLEY
 - 4.2.6. RETHAA VAN DER BERG

5. CONTACT DETAILS & INFORMATION OFFICER

- 5.1. The Information Officer is the Chairperson of the Board, Ahron Gropper.
- 5.2. The CID NPC's details are as follows:

Physical Address

24 Gunners Circle Epping 1 Cape Town 7460

Postal Address

PO Box 834 Eppindust Epping 1 7475

Telephone number: 021 535 5814

Fax number: N/A

Website: www.ecid.org.za

Email address of Information Officer: ahron@bigbodies.co.za

6. FUNCTIONS

- 6.1. The CID NPC's main function is to provide community-based private urban management within the public areas of the CID by:
 - 6.1.1. improving and upgrading the CID through the provision of improved or expanded municipal services within its geographical area, which may include the management of municipal capital assets located within such area;
 - 6.1.2. encouraging private investment in the CID;
 - 6.1.3. facilitating a co-operative approach between the City and the private sector in the provision of municipal services;
 - 6.1.4. promoting urban renewal, particularly in distressed areas within the CID; and
 - 6.1.5. promoting economic growth and sustainable development, and in this way assisting the Council in fulfilling its objects and developmental duties as set out in its Integrated Development Plan contemplated in the Systems Act and the MFMA.
- 6.2. The CID NPC may fulfil these functions by performing the following activities in the CID:
 - 6.2.1. supplementary sanitation services, e.g. cleaning sidewalks and public roads; emptying public trash bins; removing graffiti, and collecting municipal waste:
 - 6.2.2. public safety services within the public areas of the CID (excluding policing interventions to prevent crime), e.g.:
 - 6.2.2.1. conducting foot and vehicle patrols of public areas within the CID in order to identify, monitor and report violations of City bylaws to the relevant City Departments;
 - 6.2.2.2. establishing effective communication networks with the City's Safety and Security Directorate, the South African Police Service ("SAPS"), the Community Police Forum ("CPF") and the local Neighbourhood Watch;
 - 6.2.2.3. Reporting crime and summoning the SAPS immediately to incidents of serious crime;
 - 6.2.2.4. installing additional lighting in public areas;
 - 6.2.2.5. reporting hazardous street conditions to the relevant City Departments;
 - 6.2.2.6. monitoring street vendors to ensure public safety and reporting violations of relevant City by-laws to the relevant City Department; and

- 6.2.2.7. conducting public education and awareness campaigns in the CID in relation to crime prevention strategies.
- 6.2.3. improving and maintaining municipal capital assets and infrastructure, subject to Council approval, e.g. installing and upgrading street lighting; illuminating street signs; installing street furniture (such as public benches); creating more public open spaces;
- 6.2.4. horticultural services, e.g. planting trees; installing sidewalk planters; maintaining street verges;
- 6.2.5. supporting community development and anti-poverty initiatives;
- 6.2.6. marketing and promoting the CID; and
- 6.2.7. other public benefit activities.

7. SOUTH AFRICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION PAIA GUIDE

- 7.1. Section 10 of PAIA requires the South African Human Rights Commission ("SAHRC"), to compile a guide containing such information as may be reasonably required by a person seeking to exercise any right provided for in the Act. This guide is available from the SAHRC.
- 7.2. Kindly direct any gueries to:

The South African Human Rights Commission PAIA Unit
The Research and Documentation Department Private Bag 2700
Houghton 2014

Tel: (011) 877 3600; Fax: (011) 403 0668

Website: www.sahrc.org.za Email: PAIA@sahrc.org.za

8. ACCESS TO RECORDS OF CID NPC

8.1. The records listed below are automatically available without a formal request. They are available: (1) on the CID NPC's website; and/or (2) for inspection and copying at the CID NPC's offices upon prior arrangement (copying charges are set out in para. 10.9 – 10.11 below):

	RECORDS	SUBJECT-MATTER
8.1.1	Company details	Name; address; telephone numbers; contact persons and business hours.
8.1.2	Company Records	 a. Notice of Incorporation; b. MOI; c. CIPC Registration Certificate; d. AGM Agendas and Minutes; e. Minute book of resolutions passed at members' meetings (only available for inspection and copying at offices); f. Public notices; g. Register of board members; h. Internal standard forms (such as consent forms, membership forms, proxy forms etc.); and i. Trade mark information.
8.1.3	Financial Records	a. Audited Financial Statements.
8.1.4	Documents contemplated in By-law/Policy	 a. Business Plan (ss. 6 and 8 of By-law); b. Finance Agreement between City and CID NPC (s.12(6) of By-law); c. Annual report submitted to Council on progress in implementing business plan (s. 11(7)(b) of By-law). d. Annual Budget (see Policy).
8.1.5	Procurement Records	a. Public notices;b. Invitations to tenders.
8.1.6	CID NPC Promotional and Marketing Material	a. Brochures regarding the CID;b. Media releases;c. Maps;d. News articles of interest.
8.1.7	Legislation	a. Rates Act;b. By-law;c. Policy; andd. Companies Act

8.2. The records listed below must be formally requested in terms of PAIA, access to which may be refused on the grounds outlined in para 10.19:

	RECORDS	SUBJECT-MATTER
8.2.1	Company Records	a. Board Meeting Minutes and Agendas.b. Register of Disclosed Conflicts of Interest of Directors; andc. Members' Register.

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8.2.2	Financial Records	a. Monthly Financial Accounts;b. Additional Levy payments;
		c. Register of Assets;
		d. Tax, VAT and PAYE records (company and
		employees);
		e. Accounting and banking records;
		f. Invoices; and
		g. Management Accounts.
8.2.3	Procurement Records	a. Tender applications;
		b. Tender adjudication decisions and minutes;
		c. Letters of tender awards;
		d. Tender contracts; and e. Correspondence with contractors
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8.2.4	Documents contemplated in	a. Term and Annual Budgets;
	By-law/ Policy	b. List of Registered Owners of Property located within CID.
8.2.5	Documents pertaining to Services	a. Reports to City regarding By-law infringements;
	Services	b. Records of crime incidents reported to SAPS;c. Crime statistics;
		d. Operational reports;
		e. Maintenance logs; and
		f. Need assessments.
8.2.6	Legal	a. Legal Opinions
8.2.7	Human Resources	a. Employee/ staff records; and
		b. Employment contracts
8.2.8	Correspondence	a. Correspondence with companies and
		organisations conducting activities in CID;
		b. Correspondence between the CID NPC and the
		City and/or Council; and c. Correspondence between CID NPC and CID
		property owners/ CID NPC members.
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9. RECORDS AVAILABLE IN TERMS OF LEGISLATION

- 9.1. The CID NPC holds records in terms of the following legislation (the list is not exhaustive):
 - 9.1.1. Basic Conditions of Employment Act 75 of 1997;
 - 9.1.2. City of Cape Town: Special Rating Area By-Law, 2012;
 - 9.1.3. Companies Act 61 of 1973 and 71 of 2008;
 - 9.1.4. Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Health Diseases Act 130 of 1993;
 - 9.1.5. Employment Equity Act 55 of 1998;
 - 9.1.6. Income Tax Act 95 of 1967;
 - 9.1.7. Labour Relations Act 66 of 1995;
 - 9.1.8. Occupational Health & Safety Act 85 of 1993;

- 9.1.9. Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013:
- 9.1.10. Unemployment Insurance Contributions Act 4 of 2002;
- 9.1.11. Unemployment Insurance Act 63 of 2001; and
- 9.1.12. Value Added Tax Act 89 of 1991.

10. REQUEST PROCEDURE

Who May Request Access?

- 10.1. Upon satisfying the statutory requirements detailed below, a requester may access records held by the CID NPC.
- 10.2. In terms of s. 11(1) of PAIA, a requester must be given access to a record of a public body, such as the CID NPC, if:
 - 10.2.1. That requester complies with all the procedural requirements under PAIA governing requests for access to that record; and
 - 10.2.2. Access to that record is not refused in terms of any ground for refusal contemplated in Chapter 4 of Part 2 of PAIA.
- 10.3. PAIA distinguishes between two types of requesters:
 - 10.3.1. Personal requester: The CID NPC will provide the requested information, or give access to any record with regard to the requester's personal information. While the personal requester does not have to pay an access fee, the CID NPC will charge the prescribed fee for reproduction of the information.
 - 10.3.2. Other requester: This requester is entitled to request access to information on third parties. However, the CID NPC is not obliged automatically to grant access. The requester must comply with all procedural requirements for access under PAIA, including payment of a request and access fee.

Form of Request

- 10.4. Complete Form A, available on the SAHRC website, and included as Annexure "B" hereto for ease of reference.
- 10.5. Requests must be addressed to the CID NPC's Information Officer.
- 10.6. The application must contain sufficient details to enable the CID NPC to identify:
 - 10.6.1. The record/(s) requested;
 - 10.6.2. The identity of the requester and his/her representative, if any;
 - 10.6.3. The form of access required;

- 10.6.4. The requester's contact details in the Republic of South Africa; and
- 10.6.5. Whether the requester wishes to be informed of the decision in any manner other than in writing, such as by telephone, fax or email.
- 10.7. In the event the requester is unable to read or write or has a disability, the request may be made orally. In such a case, the Information Officer must complete the form on behalf of the requester.
- 10.8. The form must be accompanied by the prescribed request fee.

<u>Fees</u>

- 10.9. PAIA provides for the payment of two types of fees:
 - 10.9.1. The request fee: a standard non-refundable fee, payable prior to consideration of request. This fee is not payable in the event the request pertains to a record containing personal information about the requester. The request fee is currently R35.00.
 - 10.9.2. The access fee: if the request is granted, this fee is payable for the reproduction of records and for time in excess of one (1) hour to search and prepare the records for disclosure. These fees are indicated in Annexure "C" attached hereto.
- 10.10. Upon receipt of the request, the Information Officer, shall by notice require the requester (excluding a personal requester), to pay the prescribed request fee before further processing the request.
- 10.11. If, having undertaken the search for the record, it becomes apparent that the preparation of the record for disclosure (including arrangements to make it available in the requested form), is likely to exceed six (6) hours, the Information Officer may require the requester to pay a deposit of one third of the anticipated access fee.

Exemptions from Paying Fees

- 10.12. Requesters whose annual income (after permissible deductions), does not exceed R14,712.00 (if single), or R27,192.00 (if married), are exempted from paying the access fee contemplated in para 10.9.2 above.
- 10.13. Where the cost of collecting any fee contemplated in para 10.9 exceeds the amount charged, such fee does not apply.

Decision and Notice

10.14. The CID NPC will process the request within thirty (30) days, unless the request raises considerations that require an extension of this time period.

- 10.15. Where an extension of the 30-day time period is required, the requester shall be notified of the Information Officer's decision in this regard, together with the reasons for such extension.
- 10.16. The requester will be notified of the Information Officer's decision in the manner specified in the request form.
- 10.17. If the Information Officer fails to give the decision on the request within the 30-day period or within any extended period, the Information Officer will be deemed to have refused the request.

Records not Found/ do not Exist

10.18. In the event the Information Officer is, notwithstanding all reasonable steps, unable to find the requested record, he/she will by way of affidavit or affirmation inform the requester accordingly and provide full reasons.

Refusal of Access to Records

10.19. Access to a record may be refused on one or more of the grounds contemplated in Part 2, Chapter 4 of PAIA.

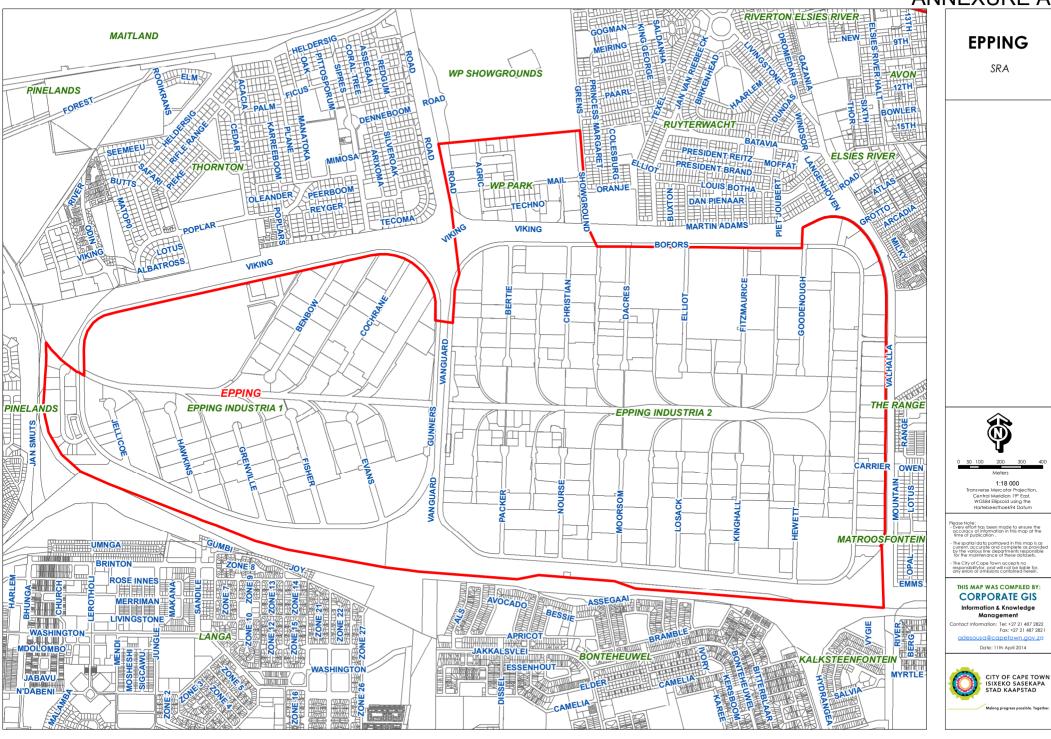
Remedies

10.20. Should the requester be dissatisfied with the decision of the Information Officer, the requester may apply to Court for judicial review. Under PAJA, such an application must be made within 180 days after the date on which the requester was informed of the decision and the reasons for it, or might reasonably have been expected to become aware of the decision and reasons.

11. UPDATING THIS MANUAL

- 11.1. This Manual will be updated as and when necessary, but at least on an annual basis.
- 11.2. The most recent version of the Manual will be available on the CID NPC's website at www.ecid.org.za.
- 11.3. A copy of the Manual (and updates), will be lodged with the SAHRC.

ANNEXURE A





EPPING CITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NPC

FORM A

REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO RECORD OF PUBLIC BODY (Section 18(1) of the Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2000

(Act No. 2 of 2000) [Regulation 6]

EPPING CITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT Registration No.: 2001/028149/08

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE				
Reference number				
Request received by (Name, Surname of information officer)				
Received on				
Received at (place)				
Request fee (if any)	R			
Deposit (if any)	R			
Access fee	R			
Signature of information officer				

A. Particulars of public body

The Information Officer is the Chairperson of the Board, Ahron Gropper

The **EPPING CITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT** NPC's details are as follows:

Physical Address	24 Gunners Circle, Epping 1, Cape Town, 7460
Postal Address	PO Box 834, Eppindust, Epping 1, 7475
Telephone number	021 534 2004
Website	www.ecid.org.za
Email address of Information Officer	ahron@bigbodies.co.za

B.	Particulars of	of pe	rson	requesting	access	to	the	record	d

(b) The address and/	the person who requests access to the record must be given below. or fax number in the Republic to which the information is to be sent, must be given. city in which the request is made, if applicable, must be attached.
Full names and surname	
Identity number	
Postal address	
Fax number	
Telephone number	
Email address	
	est is made, when made on behalf of another person:
_	son on whose behalf request is made
This section	must be completed ONLY if a request for information is made on behalf of another person.
Full names and surname	
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D. Particulars of rec	ord
enable the record	ulars of the record to which access is requested, including the reference number if that is known to you, to to be located. ace is inadequate, please continue on a separate folio and attach it to this form.
The requester must sign	n all of the additional folios.
Description of record or	relevant part of the record:
Reference number, if av	ailable
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Any further particulars of	of record:

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- (a) A request for access to a record, other than a record containing personal information about yourself, will be processed only after a request fee has been paid.
- (b) You will be notified of the amount required to be paid as the request fee.
- (c) The fee payable for access to a record depends on the form in which access is required and the reasonable time required to search for and prepare a record.

(d)	If you qualify for exemption of the payment of any fee, please state the reason for exemption.
Rea	son for exemption from payment of fees:
_	Form of connects around
F.	Form of access to record
If yo	Form of access to record u are prevented by a disability to read, view or listen to the record in the form of access provided for in 1 to 4 below, state your bility and indicate in which form the record is required.
If yo	u are prevented by a disability to read, view or listen to the record in the form of access provided for in 1 to 4 below, state your
If yo	u are prevented by a disability to read, view or listen to the record in the form of access provided for in 1 to 4 below, state your bility and indicate in which form the record is required.
If yo	u are prevented by a disability to read, view or listen to the record in the form of access provided for in 1 to 4 below, state your

Form in which record is required:		

Mark the appropriate box with an X.

NOTES:

- Compliance with your request for access in the specified form may depend on the form in which the record is available. (a)
- Access in the form requested may be refused in certain circumstances. In such a case you will be informed if access will be granted in (b) another form.
- (c) The fee payable for access to the record, if any, will be determined partly by the form in which access is requested.

If the record is in written or printed form									
						Inspection of record			
If the record consists of visual images – (this includes photographs, slides, video recordings, computer-generated images,									
sketches	s, etc.):								
	view the images		copy of the images* transcription of the images*					ription of the images*	
If the rec	ord consists of recorded words	or infori	mation which car	n be repr	oduc	ed in s	sound:		
	Listen to soundtrack					nscript cumen		undtrack	* (written or printed
If the rec	ord is held on computer or in ar	electro	nic or machine-r	eadable 1	form:	:			
					n computer readable form* act disc)				
*If you requested a copy or transcription of a record (above), do you wish the copy or transcription to be posted to you? Postage is payable.							NO		

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Note that if the record is not available in the language you prefer, access may be granted in the language in which the record is available.
In which language would you prefer the record?
G. Notice of decision regarding request for access
You will be notified whether your request has been approved / denied. If you wish to be informed in another manner, please specify the manner and provide the necessary particulars to enable compliance with your request.
How would you prefer to be informed of the decision regarding your request for access to the record?
Signed at
SIGNATURE OF REQUESTER OR PERSON ON WHOSE BEHALF REQUEST IS BEING MADE



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FEE SCHEDULE FOR ACCESSING RECORDS UNDER PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2 OF 2000 ("PAIA")

ACTIVITY	FEE			
Copy per A4 page	60 cents			
Printing per A4 page	40 cents			
Copy on a CD	R40			
Transcription of visual images per A4 page	R22 (per page)			
Copy of a visual image	R60			
Transcription of audio recording per A4 page	R12 (per page)			
Copy of an audio recording	R17			
Search and preparation of the record for disclosure	R15 per hour or part thereof, excluding the first hour, reasonably required for the search and preparation.			