



## Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

### Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023 ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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Asked by Mr Peter Cain MLA on 13 November 2023: Mr David Fintan took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

**THE CHAIR:** I have just got one final. Regarding investigation R21-0065, and that is regrading recommendation 3 of your report, can you advise whether the commission accepted your recommendation on that particular matter?

**Mr Anderson:** I will actually ask Mr Fintan just to address that one, if I may. I have been out of the country in the last week or so. He will be across all the detail.

**THE CHAIR:** The conflict of interest that is held and so on.

**Mr Fintan:** This is reflected in the report as well. The Integrity Commission accepted or agreed to all of the recommendations made in the report and has also agreed to implement them with a timetable of doing that by the end of this calendar year.

**THE CHAIR:** Are you able to explain broadly what that particular matter is about—conflict of interest is obviously very broad.

**Mr Fintan:** I am just turning to the relevant part of the report to refresh my memory because it has been sometime since I looked at this report myself.

**ACT Ombudsman in his capacity as Inspector of the ACT Integrity Commission:** The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

R21/0065 was an anonymous complaint received by the ACT Integrity Commission alleging an intimate relationship between a senior ACT Public Servant and a private entity that resulted in the public sector entity not carrying out its functions in respect of the private entity.

The Commission accepted Recommendation 3 of the Special Report and has provided the Inspector with the outcome of its reconsideration of corruption report R21/0065.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Signature:



Date: 23/11/2023

By the ACT Ombudsman and Inspector of the ACT Integrity Commission, Mr Iain Anderson