



11 September 2014

Bev Butler  
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Dear Bev

I refer to your email of 27 August 2014 further requesting a copy of the Venue Hire Agreement between DVML and ORFU under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) and provide the following response.

Your additional request and the reasons for it, have been considered and further to my letter dated 25 August 2014 we continue to withhold a copy of this agreement even in a redacted form. We gave consideration to providing a redacted version but withhold such a version pursuant to section 7 (2) (c) (i) of LGOIMA to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence and where making the information public would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information.

Further, we withhold the information, pursuant to section 7 (2) (b) (ii) of LGOIMA to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely to unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. The information is also withheld pursuant to section 7(2) (h) of LGOIMA to enable DVML to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities and further, the document is withheld pursuant to section 7(2)(i) of LGOIMA to enable DVML to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, ongoing negotiations with the ORFU.

We considered whether any public interest in this agreement overrides the public interest in DVML and the ORFU being able to carry out commercial activities around the use of the Stadium by the ORFU. Following consideration, and in consultation with the ORFU, it is our view, that at this time, the reasons for withholding this information outweigh any public interest in the release (in full or in a redacted format) of the document.

You are entitled to have this decision reviewed by the Ombudsman.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Davies", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Terry Davies  
CEO  
DVML