

Mr Andrew Cox Invasive Species Council Inc

## Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (NSW)

#### APPLICANT: ANDREW COX DATE/ FEE RECEIVED: 14/3/2018 / \$30.00 MADE ON BEHALF OF: INVASIVE DUE DATE: 13 APRIL 2018 SPECIES COUNCIL INC YOUR REFERENCE: DATE OF DECISION: 10 APRIL 2018

APPLICATION NUMBER: 2018 - 1388

I refer to your request in which access was sought for information that may be held by the New South Wales Police Force.

Attached are copies of your original application and the Notice of Decision.

### **Rights of Review**

If you are not satisfied with this decision you have the following rights of review under Part 5 of the Act:

- 1. Lodge a request for internal review to this agency within 20 working days from the date of this decision. For information see http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/online\_services/requesting\_information/gipaa (GIPA) or phone 8835 7773.
- 2. Lodge a request for an external review to the Information and Privacy Commission (IPC) within 40 working days from the date of this decision. For further enquiries see www.ipc.nsw.gov.au or phone 1800 472 679.

Note: A request for a further review cannot be made to the IPC where the matter has already been decided by the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT).

3. Lodge a request for external review to the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT) within 40 working days from the date of this agency's decision or 20 working days from the date of the decision by the IPC. For further enquiries you can contact the NCAT on: Telephone number: 1300 006 228 Website: www.ncat.nsw.gov.au

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# NOTICE OF DECISION: 2018 - 1388

I am authorised by the New South Wales Commissioner of Police to determine applications made under Section 9(3) of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* (NSW), (GIPA Act).

In response to this application enquiries were directed to Performance and Programs Support – Statistical Services. I have examined the information provided and made the following decision:

EIAU reference number	Document Description	Decision T = Section 14 Table
1 – 2	Table providing statistical response to Police District, date, address. major or minor crash and personal injury data	Released in full
	Other statistical information requested	Section 58(1)(b)

### PUBLIC INTEREST CONSIDERATIONS

#### Section 9(1) – Access applications

A person who makes an access application under this Act for government information has a legally enforceable right to information unless there is an overriding public interest against disclosure.

#### Section 12: Public interest considerations in favour of disclosure

In accordance with section 12 of the GIPA Act, I have taken into account the following public interest considerations in favour of disclosure of the information:

- 1. the statutory presumption in favour of the disclosure of government information; and
- 2. the general right of the public to have access to government information held by agencies.

#### Section 13 – Public interest test

There is an overriding public interest against disclosure of government information for the purposes of this Act if (and only if) there are public interest considerations against disclosure and on the balance, those considerations outweigh the public interest considerations in favour of disclosure.

#### OUTCOME OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST

#### Conclusion

In my view there are no public interest factors against disclosure. Therefore, the public interest test is not required and I have decided that the information held can be released in full.

#### Notification pursuant to Section 58(1)(b)

In accordance with the provisions of section 53(2) this agency has undertaken such reasonable searches as necessary to attempt to locate the government information you seek access to.

Performance and Programs Support – Statistical Services advised that this data was manually collated using a power word search of event narratives in COPS to identify events relating to deer, the following terms were used: deer, stag, doe, buck or fawn. This manual collation will not capture events with misspelt target words and this may be an underestimate of the total number of events.

Data relating to the number of vehicles damaged, number of persons injured, general information about the personal injury and value of damaged property is **not** captured in the fixed fields in COPS and cannot be provided.

Unfortunately, notwithstanding the searches made by this agency, no records have been identified that fall within the ambit of your request. In view of the fact that the information sought is not held by this agency, you are so advised in accordance with Section 58(1)(b) of the Act.

**Table 1.** Major and minor vehicle crashes with deer involvement for Wollongong andLake Illawarra PDs between 2005 and 2017.

Event information: Police District, date, address, major or minor crash and personal injury flag.

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Count	Police District	Incident Category	Injury	Start Date	Address	Suburb	Postcode
1	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	12/04/2005	Lady Wakehurst Dr		2508
2	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	17/04/2005	F6 Fwy	Helensburgh	2508
3	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	26/06/2005	F6 Fwy	Darkes Forest	2508
4	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	18/06/2005	Parkes St	Helensburgh	2508
5	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	06/06/2006	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Stanwell Park	2508
6	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	28/06/2006	Old Princes Hwy	Helensburgh	2508
7	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	29/06/2006	F6 Fwy	Helensburgh	2508
8	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	29/06/2006	Southern Fwy	West Wollongong	2500
9	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	No	13/07/2006	West Dapto Rd	Horsley	2530
10	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	07/05/2006	Cordeaux Rd	Kembla Heights	2526
11	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	06/08/2006	F6 Fwy	Berkeley	2506
12	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	27/05/2006	F6 Fwy	Gwynneville	2500
13	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	26/09/2006	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Stanwell Tops	2508
14	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	29/11/2006	Mount Ousley Rd	Mount Pleasant	2519
15	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	28/04/2007	Picton Rd	Mount Ousley	2519
16	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	No	15/01/2007	Semaphore Rd	Berkeley	2506
17	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	08/06/2007	Mount Ousley Rd	Cataract	2560
18	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	05/08/2007	O'Briens Rd	Figtree	2525
19	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	24/07/2007	F6 Fwy,	Gwynneville	2500
20	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	22/07/2007	Northern Dstr	North Wollongong	2500
21	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	01/08/2007	O'Briens Rd	Figtree	2525
22	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	14/07/2007	Princes Hwy	Helensburgh	2508
23	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	08/08/2007	Northern Dstr	Fairy Meadow	2519
24	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	No	24/11/2007	Macquarie St	Albion Park	2527
25	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	31/12/2007	Mount Ousley Rd	Mount Ousley	2519
26	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	04/02/2007	Harry Graham Dr	Kembla Heights	2526
27	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	04/07/2007	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Helensburgh	2508
28	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	01/07/2007	F6 Fwy	Helensburgh	2508
29	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	20/04/2008	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
30	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	26/05/2008	Old Princes Hway Hwy	Helensburgh	2508
31	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	07/06/2008	Southern Fwy	Darkes Forest	2508
32	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	30/06/2008	F6 Fwy	Darkes Forest	2508
33	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	10/09/2008	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Lilyvale	2508
34	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	10/12/2008	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
35	Lake Illawarra	Minor Traffic Crash	No	22/07/2008	Princes Hwy	Yallah	2530
36	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	14/03/2009	Chellow Dene Ave	Stanwell Park	2508
37	Lake Illawarra	Minor Traffic Crash	No	28/03/2009	Jamberoo Mountain Rd	Knights Hill	2577
38	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	27/03/2009	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
39	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	09/05/2009	F6 Fwy	Helensburgh	2508
40	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	19/04/2009	Mount Ousley Rd	Mount Pleasant	2519
41	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	25/04/2009	Princes Hwy	Gerringong	2534
42	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	22/07/2009	Southern Fwy		2500
43	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	28/06/2009	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Stanwell Park	2508
44	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	01/10/2009	Princes Hwy	Helensburgh	2508
45	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	No	12/12/2009	Unnamed Rd	Huntley	2530
46	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	22/06/2009	F6 Fwy	Helensburgh	2508
48	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	22/06/2009	Mount Keira Rd	Mount Keira	2500
49	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	17/01/2010	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Stanwell Park	2508
50	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	02/04/2010	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Helensburgh	2508
51	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	18/04/2010	Old Princes Hwy	Helensburgh	2508
52	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	27/03/2010	Southern Fwy	Darkes Forest	2508
53	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	27/06/2010	Mount Ousley Rd	Mount Ousley	2519
54	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	No	19/10/2010	F6 Fwy	Berkeley	2506
55	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	18/09/2010	F6 Fwy	Figtree	2525

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56		Major Traffic Crash	No	17/12/2010			2508
57		Major Traffic Crash	No	30/05/2010			2526
58	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	17/04/2010	Virginia Tce		2515
59	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	02/04/2011	Princes Hwy	Bulli	2516
60		Minor Traffic Crash	No	27/03/2011	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
61	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	27/03/2011	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
62	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	07/06/2011	13 Elliotts Rd	Fairy Meadow	2519
63		Major Traffic Crash	No	15/07/2011		Figtree	2525
64	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	09/07/2011	Springhill Rd	Spring Hill	2500
65		Major Traffic Crash	Yes	12/09/2011	Old Princes Hwy	Engadine	2233
66	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	23/12/2011	Mount Keira Rd	Mount Keira	2500
67	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	31/08/2011	Northern Dstr	Fairy Meadow	2519
69	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	28/06/2011	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Helensburgh	2508
70	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	07/06/2012	Southern Fwy	Figtree	2525
71	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	19/05/2012	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
72	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	19/06/2012	O'Briens Rd	Figtree	2525
73	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	17/07/2012		Mount Ousley	2519
			Yes,				
74	Lake lilawarra	Major Traffic Crash	deceased	21/07/2012	West Dapto Rd	Kembla Grange	2526
75	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	25/04/2012	Mount Ousley Rd	Mount Ousley	2519
76	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	29/06/2012	site Number 35 Gooyong St	Keiraville	2500
77	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	04/07/2012	F6 Fwy	Helensburgh	2508
78	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	18/08/2012	Mount Ousley Rd	Cataract	2560
79	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	12/09/2012		North Wollongong	2500
80	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	02/07/2012	O'Briens Rd	Figtree	2525
81	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	21/10/2012	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Stanwell Park	2508
82	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	31/07/2012	F6 Fwy	Helensburgh	2508
83	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	25/08/2013	Lawrence Hargrave Dr	Stanwell Tops	2508
84	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	04/07/2013	F6_Fwy	Mount Ousley	2519
85	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	27/08/2013	Mount Ousley Rd	Cataract	2560
86	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	14/10/2013		Mount Kembla	2526
87	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	25/12/2013	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
88	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	10/08/2013	F6 Fwy	Helensburgh	2508
89	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	23/08/2013	Harry Graham Dr	Kembla Heights	2526
90	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	15/02/2014	F6 Fwy	Cataract	2560
91	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	02/05/2014	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
92	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	30/07/2014	Sawan St	Helensburgh	2508
93	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	04/06/2014	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508
94	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	21/01/2014	Princes Hwy	Helensburgh	2508
95	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	23/05/2014	Strone Ave	Mount Ousley	2519
96	Wollongong	Minor Traffic Crash	No	08/07/2014	M1 Mtwy	Helensburgh	2508
97	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	28/08/2014	Mount Keira Rd	Mount Keira	2560
98	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	31/07/2014	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Lilyvale	2508
99	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	No	30/06/2014	Princes Hwy	Kiama	2533
100	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	No	13/10/2014		Tongarra	2527
101	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	14/08/2014	Smiths Ln	Wongawilli	2530
102	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No No	23/08/2015	Otford Rd	Stanwell Tops	2508
103	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	06/09/2015	M1 Mtwy	Darkes Forest	2508
104	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	26/03/2016	Cordeaux Rd	Mount Kembla	2526
105	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	No	07/10/2016	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Lilyvale	2508
106	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	10/07/2017	Princes Hwy	Helensburgh	2508
107	Lake Illawarra	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	24/06/2017	M1 Mtwy	Berkeley	2506
108	Lake Illawarra	Minor Traffic Crash	No	06/11/2017	M1 Mtwy	Yallah	2530
109	Wollongong	Major Traffic Crash	Yes	12/05/2017	Lady Wakehurst Dr	Otford	2508

*Data notes*: This data was sourced from the NSW Police Force Computerised Operational Policing System (COPS), current as of 04/04/2018.

Personal injury was identified using the event further classification fixed field in COPS – injury or fatal crash. The criteria for this classification is any accident with a vehicle where a person is injured or killed.