



BRRAG

Belmont Resident and Ratepayer Action Group Inc.

“To provide an effective voice for the people of Belmont”

29 July 2019

Dear Mayor and Councillors

I would like to advise you out of courtesy, that I have made a Freedom of Information application to try to obtain the employment contract of CEO, John Christie. This was the advice I received from the local government department. You are all aware Mr Christie was in breach of the Act for not providing it when requested. There is a process with FOI and ultimately it can go outside the City of Belmont. The councillors employ the CEO, however I am not aware of any steps you have taken with respect to either obtaining the contract for us, or the breach which should not be condoned.

A complaint has also been lodged with Minister David Templeman with respect to the letter we received regarding the copyright. Additional information was attached to the complaint as I believe that he should be aware of other issues that have been raised with you in the past.

As our Elected Members who represent the ratepayers, it is entirely appropriate to keep you informed on these matters. Concerns have already been raised that you may not always be given all the information. Given both the contract and the copyright are potentially legal issues, you have now been notified that neither matter is resolved. It also gives a paper trail for residents to follow, so they are aware we are following things through with the channels open to us.

Please be advised this letter will be made available to the Residents of Belmont on the BRRAG website as will any response, for the purposes of transparency.

Kindest regards

Lisa Hollands
Chairperson BRRAG