

Dominic Perrottet Minister for Finance, Services and Property

MEDIA STATEMENT

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STATEMENT ON LPI CENTRAL REGISTER OF RESTRICTIONS

Late yesterday I was made aware that Land and Property Information (LPI) have issued a number of incorrect certificates as a result of the Central Register of Restrictions (CRR) not being completely updated due to an administrative error.

The CRR provides prospective purchasers with information about potential and actual government or authority interests in a parcel of land.

I have been advised that an estimated 309 inquirers may have received an incorrect response to their CRR search during the period 27 June 2016-24 October 2016, affecting at least 140 recently transacted properties in which Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) may have an interest.

The properties are potentially affected by the proposed F6 Motorway and the Werrington Arterial project. Efforts are continuing in the Department to determine the complete details in relation to this error.

This is a concerning incident for people who have recently purchased property in the affected areas, and the Government's first priority is ensuring that affected residents are provided with the correct information and support they require.

Today I have asked the Customer Service Commissioner to ensure that residents who may be affected by this error are contacted and provided with the assistance they need.

I have also instructed the Secretary of the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation to conduct an immediate independent investigation into this issue as a matter of urgency.

Anyone who thinks they have may have been impacted by this error should contact the LPI call centre on 1300 052 637, email generalenquiry@lpi.nsw.gov.au or visit <u>http://www.lpi.nsw.gov.au/</u> for further information.

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