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MEDIA STATEMENT: Full Court of the Supreme Court dismisses APY's appeal

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The Full Court of the Supreme Court today dismissed an appeal by APY about the conduct of an inquiry by the Ombudsman. The matter related to the provision of handwritten notes of APY board meetings held between July 2016 and March 2017.

APY General Manager Richard King said: "While APY respects the decision of the Full Court it is disappointed by the judgment and will take the necessary time to fully review and understand the findings."

"It is important to note that APY is not funded or resourced in any way to run or maintain a Freedom of Information unit," Mr King said.

"When a small land council like APY is inundated with politically motivated FOI requests from one disgruntled party there are significant consequences.

"Responding to such vexatious requests, without being provided the resources to do so, is time-consuming and costly and takes away from APY's core work of improving the lives of some of the most vulnerable people in the state."

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