

MEDIA RELEASE

Rural Land West of Canberra - Special Report released

31 October 2023

The ACT Integrity Commissioner has today given the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly a Special Report detailing the Commission's consideration of a corruption complaint relating to the ACT Land Development Agency's acquisition of nine rural properties between 2014 and 2017.

The corruption complaint was made to the Commission in 2020 by the then-Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts. This complaint contained multiple allegations about the former Land Development Agency, including failure to adhere to policies, unusual relationships between involved parties, poor administration, and division of land. The complaint was submitted to the Commission following its inquiry into *Auditor General's Report No. 8 of 2018: Assembly of Rural Lands West of Canberra*.

The Special Report concludes that, following detailed examination by the Commission of all available material, there is no reasonable suspicion that the transactions involved corrupt conduct by either the staff of the former Land Development Agency or any other public official.

The full report is available on the Commission's website: integrity.act.gov.au

Link to report

Further information about the Commission and its work can be found on our website or on our social media pages (@ACTIntegrity on Twitter and ACT Integrity Commission on Facebook and LinkedIn).

Media contact: ACT Integrity Commission Media Team

02 6207 9263, 02 6207 6542 or media@integrity.act.gov.au



