Member for Dippoland South: I. State Leader: I. Shadow Minister for Regional & Rural Development. Shadow Minister for Police and Emergency Services. I. Shadow Minister for Bushfire Response.

Monday, 8 November 2010

The Hon T H Smith QC Chair Accountability Round Table 15 Loch Street CAMBERWELL 3124

Dear Mr Smith

Thank you for your letter of 27 October with the various enclosures.

The Liberal National Coalition has already committed to the three basic issues to which your correspondence refers.

In the course of the election debate last Friday night, Ted Baillieu renewed our commitment to Advisers being available before Parliamentary committees. This is often referred to as "the McMullan Principle".

We have seen this in play of course during the saga pertaining to The Windsor planning process.

Advisers should be called to give evidence in these circumstances.

Likewise we have already committed to a wide ranging series of changes to Freedom of Information access.

Finally, you will be aware that we have led the way for literally years, in the proposal to have an Independent Broad Based Anti Corruption Commission in Victoria.

This will be a priority for us on coming to government.

Thank you for taking the trouble to write.

Kind Regards

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