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[Attachment A Parliamentary Business Resources Determination 2017.pdf](#)

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Hon Luke Howarth MP
Member for Petrie

Dear Mr Howarth

Attached please find correspondence from the Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority.

Sincerely

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4 February 2025

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Member for Petrie
PO Box 321
Clontarf, QLD, 4019

Email: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Howarth

Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel

The Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority (IPEA) has responsibility under the *Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority Act 2017* to undertake assurance activities in relation to the work expenses of members of parliament.

Please note that IPEA publishes completed assurance reviews on the website at www.ipea.gov.au/assurance-audit/published-assurance-reviews.

IPEA is undertaking an Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources accessed in relation to your family reunion travel between 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2023.

Legislative framework

The use of travel expenses for family reunion must meet the three-part test below, set out in section 6 of the Parliamentary Business Resources Regulations 2017:

*A family member of a member travels for **family reunion purposes** if:*

- (a) the member is travelling within Australia for the dominant purpose of conducting the member's parliamentary business; and*
- (b) the family member travels to accompany or join the member; and*
- (c) the travel by the family member is for the dominant purpose of facilitating the family life of the member's family.*

Section 6 of the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017* (the PBR Act) and the *Parliamentary Business Resources (Parliamentary Business) Determination 2017* (the Determination – **Attachment A**) define the four streams of parliamentary business. These are parliamentary duties, electorate duties, party political duties and official duties.

The principles parliamentarians are to apply when utilising public resources are set out in part 3 - division 2 of the PBR Act.

Action Required

Attachment B details your Commonwealth-funded family reunion travel within the period that is relevant to this Assurance Review, and we have set out questions for your response. Where we have asked about the nature of your parliamentary business, please reference the definition of Parliamentary Business as outlined in the Determination and provide copies of documentation to support your response, such as diary notes, invitations or media reporting.

Please provide a written response via email to assurance@ipea.gov.au, by close of business on **28 February 2025**, or advise us prior to the date if you need more time.

Should you wish to discuss this matter, please contact [REDACTED] on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
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Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority One
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Parliamentary Business Resources (Parliamentary Business) Determination 2017

I, Mathias Cormann, Minister for Finance, make the following determination.

Dated 14 December 2017

Mathias Cormann
Minister for Finance

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Parliamentary Business Resources (Parliamentary Business) Determination 2017*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences at the same time as the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017*.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under section 6 of the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017*.

4 Interpretation

(1) In this instrument:

Act means the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017*.

Note: A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in the definitions section of the Act, including the following:

- (a) *constituent*;
- (b) *member*;
- (c) *office holder*, and
- (d) *vice regal function*.

(2) For the avoidance of doubt, an activity specified in a Schedule to this determination is specified whether it takes place within Australia or overseas.

5 Parliamentary business of members

- (1) For the purposes of paragraph 6(4)(a) of the Act, the *parliamentary duties* of a member are the activities specified in Schedule 1 for that member.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph 6(4)(b) of the Act, the *electorate duties* of a member are the activities specified in Schedule 2 for that member.
- (3) For the purposes of paragraph 6(4)(c) of the Act, the *party political duties* of a member are the activities specified in Schedule 3 for that member.
- (4) For the purposes of paragraph 6(4)(d) of the Act, the *official duties* of a member are the activities specified in Schedule 4 for that member.

Schedule 1—Parliamentary duties

(Act s 6(4)(a))

Column 1 Member (or class)	Column 2 Parliamentary duties
All members who are a senator or member of the House of Representatives	<p>In the member's capacity as a member of the Parliament:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">a) Preparing for, participating in and attending to business arising from proceedings of the Parliament, whether by committee of the whole or otherwise;b) Developing, reviewing or amending legislation or proposed legislation, and activities engaged in for that purpose;c) Undertaking research, communication (including with stakeholders) or administration connected with the business of the Parliament, the member's policy portfolio, or their role as a member;d) Preparing for, participating in, or attending to matters arising from an official government, parliamentary or vice regal meeting, event or function;e) Preparing for, participating in and attending to matters arising from a meeting (including with stakeholders), event or function for the purposes of their role as a member, including in relation to the member's policy portfolio;f) Preparing for, participating in, or attending to business arising from a non-Parliamentary committee, taskforce or other formal group in which the member participates;g) Representing the Parliament, in accordance with an approval of the Parliament or a House of the Parliament, and engaging in associated activities for that purpose;h) Representing a Minister or office holder in their official capacity, at the request of that Minister or office holder, at a meeting, event or function;i) Representing the Government or Australia, with the approval of the Prime Minister. <p><i>Note: For Ministers representing the Government or Australia in their capacity as a Minister, this would be part of the member's official duties (see Schedule 4).</i></p>

Schedule 2—Electorate duties

(Act s 6(4)(b))

Column 1	Column 2
Member (or class)	Electorate duties
All members who are a senator or member of the House of Representatives	In the member's capacity as their constituent's elected representative: a) Facilitating and participating in debate, discussion, a meeting, event or function, or undertaking research or administrative functions relating to matters of importance or interest to constituents (including matters that do not relate exclusively to constituents, such as matters of national importance); b) Otherwise communicating with constituents; c) Representing the views and interests of constituents.

Schedule 3—Party political duties

(Act s 6(4)(c))

Column 1	Column 2
Member (or class)	Party political duties
All members who are a senator or member of the House of Representatives	In respect of the political party to which the member belongs, participating in any of the following in their capacity as an elected Senator or member of the House of Representatives: a) a formal meeting of the political party (including a meeting of the party executive, a committee or a subcommittee); b) a national, state or territory conference.

Schedule 4—Official duties

(Act s 6(4)(d))

Column 1	Column 2
Member (or class)	Official duties
All office holders and Ministers of State	In the member's official capacity (being their capacity as a Minister or office holder, as the case may be): <ol style="list-style-type: none">a) Exercising the powers or functions, or performing the duties, of the member's office, or activities engaged in for the purposes of doing so;b) Attending an event to which the member has been invited in their official capacity;c) Other activities directly related to, and engaged in for the purposes of, performing the member's official role.

Attachment B

Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel

Work Resource	Traveller	Departure Location	Departure Date	Departure Time	Arrival Location	Arrival Date	Arrival Time	Total Amount
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	[REDACTED]	27 February 2023	5:45am	Brisbane airport		6:17am	\$65.28
Travel fares – Qantas Airways - Self	Mr Luke Howarth	Brisbane	27 February 2023	7:15am	Melbourne	27 February 2023	10:35am	\$1602.74
Travel fares- Qantas Airways - Spouse	[REDACTED]	Brisbane	27 February 2023	7:15am	Melbourne	27 February 2023	10:35am	\$1602.74
Travel Allowance – Commercial (1 night)	Mr Luke Howarth				Melbourne	27 February 2023		\$402.00
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Melbourne airport	27 February 2023	10:34am	Ferntree Gully		12:04pm	\$195.65
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Ferntree Gully	27 February 2023	5:00pm	Southbank		5:42pm	\$91.48
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Southbank	28 February 2023	7:45am	Lara		9:16am	\$357.52
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Point Wilson	28 February 2023	5:00pm	Melbourne airport		6:19pm	\$326.92
Travel fares- Qantas Airways - Spouse	[REDACTED]	Melbourne	28 February 2023	8:20pm	Brisbane	28 February 2023	9:30pm	\$1602.74
Travel fares – Qantas Airways - Self	Mr Luke Howarth	Melbourne	28 February 2023	8:20pm	Brisbane	28 February 2023	9:30pm	\$1602.74
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Brisbane airport	28 February 2023	9:16pm	[REDACTED]		10:02pm	\$99.99

Attachment B

Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel

1. What was the dominant purpose of your travel to Melbourne between 27-28 February 2023?
2. With reference to the Determination at **Attachment A**, what was the nature of your parliamentary business in Melbourne between 27-28 February 2023?
3. Please advise whether your family members' travel expenses meet the three-part test in section 6 of the Parliamentary Business Resources Regulations 2017:
 - a. You were travelling for the dominant purpose of conducting your parliamentary business; and
 - b. Your family members were travelling to accompany or join you; and
 - c. Your family members' travel was for the dominant purpose of facilitating family life.

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Kind regards

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Good afternoon

Please find the attached diary entries.

Thank You

Monday 27	Tuesday 28	Wednesday 1 Mar
12:00am Time Block - AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (SL) (i) 10:00am		12:00am Time Block - AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (SL) (i) 10:00am
		Luke Day off
	7:45am Concar #183227 (+)	
	*Travel time est 50-60 mins	
7:15am Qantas QF0611 #B12059247 Brisbane to Melbourne	9:00am - ARRIVE + ADMISSION: Av (i)	
	9:30am - MEETING: SRC (+) (i)	
	10:00am - MEETING: FLEET-SPACE (i)	
	10:30am - MEETING: Lockheed Ma (i)	
CHECK IN HOTEL [REDACTED] (i)	HOLD - Walk around airshow + Tr (i)	
	11:30am - MEETING: Airbus (+) (i)	
	12:00pm - Avalon Airshow Flying Dis (i)	
	12:30pm - LUNCH: Avalon Airshow Vi (i)	
12 PM For Monday. Midday Montana Shop 52, Mountain Gate Shopping Centre, 1880 Ferntree Gully	1:00pm - MEETING: Starke - AMG (+R (i)	
	1:30pm - MEETING: Kongsberg Def (i)	
	**HOLD - V6R (i)	2:15pm - MEET (i)
	1500 - 1530: M (i)	3:00pm - MEET (i)
	3:30pm MEETING: [REDACTED] (i)	
	4:15pm - MEETING: QinetiQ (+) (i)	
	4:45pm MRDA [REDACTED] (+) (i)	
5:00pm PICK UP + TRAVEL Ferntree G Mountain Gate Shopping Centre, 1880	5:15pm - Concar #183230 Avalon Airshow to Melbourne Airport (+)	
	*Est travel time 1 hr 50 mins Howarth, Luke (MP)	
6:15pm - EVENT: AVALON 2023 Defence and Industry Dinner (including the AVALON 2023 Official Opening Ceremony) (+) (i)		
Crown Palladium, Melbourne **admission card + msg attached Howarth, Luke (MP)	20:20pm Qantas QF0630 #B1201212 (i)	
	Melbourne to Brisbane	

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 Attendee responses: 1 accepted, 0 tentatively accepted, 0 declined.

Shadow Ministry

Send Update

Title: Time Block - AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (SL)

Required: [REDACTED] (L Howarth MP)

Optional: [REDACTED] (L Howarth MP)

Start time: Mon 27/02/2023 12:00 AM Brisbane All day Time zones

End time: Wed 1/03/2023 12:00 AM Coordinated Universal Time Make Recurring

Location: Avalon Airport, Geelong, Victoria Room Find

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The Honourable Luke Howarth,
Your registration for
AVALON 2023
has been confirmed.

Please save this email for future reference.

This is confirmation of your VIP registration for AVALON 2023, Tuesday 28 February to Sunday 5 March at Avalon Airport, Geelong, Victoria.

AVALON 2023 Print-At-Home Badge

For AVALON 2023 you will be issued with a print-at-home badge and access instructions for the event site via your nominated email address approximately **two weeks prior to AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow & Aerospace and Defence Exposition.**

Your print-at-home badge be valid for all days of the event from Tuesday 28 February to Sunday 5 March 2023 and will also provide you access to the

Delegation Lounge located at the rear of Exhibition Hall 2.

If you wish to reserve a meeting room in the Delegation Lounge please email [delegations@\[REDACTED\]](mailto:delegations@[REDACTED])

If you wish to amend any of your accepted functions listed below, please email [protocol@\[REDACTED\]](mailto:protocol@[REDACTED])

If you have requested a car pass, this will be posted to the address provided in your registration in early February 2023.

AVALON 2023 Admission Times

Tuesday 28 February	0900 - 1700
Wednesday 1 March	0900 - 1700
Thursday 2 March	0900 - 1700
Friday 3 March	0900 - 2200 (Public event access from 1400)
Saturday 4 March	0800 - 1700
Sunday 5 March	0800 - 1700

Registration Summary

VIP

The Honourable Luke HOWARTH (QR# [REDACTED])
[REDACTED]

AVALON 2023 Defence and Industry Dinner (including the AVALON 2023 Official Opening Ceremony)

Monday 27 February 2023, 1815 - 2200

Crown Palladium, Melbourne 1815 arrival for pre-dinner drinks with guests to be seated by 1945

Dress Code:

Civilian: Business Suit / Business attire

Military: SD1 – Tunic with Ribbons

Seating for this function will be allocated and your table number will be sent via SMS ahead of the function to the mobile number provided in your registration.

AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon - Thursday 2 March

Thursday 02 March 2023, 1200 - 1430

Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site

The lunches will be an informal stand-up style function to maximise flexibility and networking potential.

Dress Code:

Civilian: Business Suit / Business attire

Military: Dress of the Day

AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon - Friday 3 March

Friday 03 March 2023, 1200 - 1430
Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site

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Dress Code:
Civilian: Business Suit / Business attire
Military: Dress of the Day

AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon – Saturday 4 March

Saturday 04 March 2023, 1200 - 1430
Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site

Dress Code: Smart casual

AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon – Sunday 5 March

Sunday 05 March 2023, 1200 - 1430
Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site

Dress Code: Smart casual

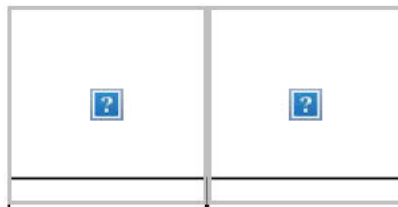
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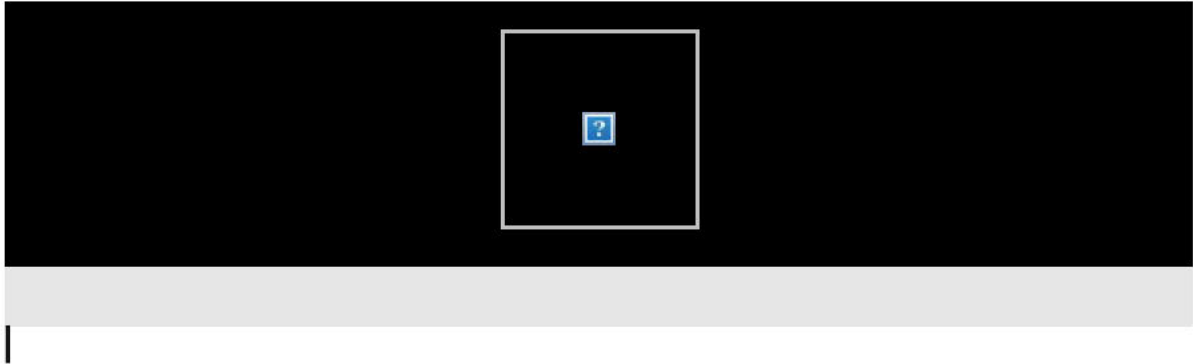
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AVALON 2023

**AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL AIRSHOW
AEROSPACE AND DEFENCE EXPOSITION**

28 FEBRUARY – 5 MARCH, AVALON AIRPORT, GEELONG, VICTORIA



EVENT PROGRAM

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MONDAY 27 FEBRUARY

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0830–1600	2023 Chief of Air Force Symposium Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Melbourne	<i>By invitation only</i>
0845–1710	20th Australian International Aerospace Congress (AIAC20) Hosted by Engineers Australia and the Royal Aeronautical Society	Sofitel Melbourne on Collins	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
0930–1600	Emerging Aviation Technologies: Challenging the Status Quo in Australia Hosted by Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems (AAUS)	Metropolis Events, Melbourne	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
1830–2300	AVALON 2023 Defence and Industry Dinner (including the AVALON 2023 Official Opening Ceremony) Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited Sponsored by Cloudera (Aust) Pty Ltd CLOUDERA	Melbourne	<i>By invitation only</i>
1900–2100	AIAC20 HUMS Dinner Hosted by Engineers Australia and the Royal Aeronautical Society	Melbourne	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
1900–late	Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems Dinner Hosted by Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems (AAUS)	Leftbank, Melbourne	<i>Registration fees apply</i>

TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0700–0900	Exhibitor access to the event	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Exhibitors badges only</i>
0900–1700	AVALON 2023 Exposition Day I	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0900–1000	Drone Racing Demonstration and Practice Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0900–1710	20th Australian International Aerospace Congress (AIAC20) Hosted by Engineers Australia and the Royal Aeronautical Society	Sofitel Melbourne on Collins	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
0930–1030	Advancing Space: Australian Government Briefing Hosted by Australian Space Agency, AusIndustry and Austrade	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1600	Emerging Aviation Technologies: Challenging the Status Quo in Australia Hosted by Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems (AAUS)	Room 5, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
1000–1030	USA Partnership Pavilion Opening Ceremony Hosted by Kallman Worldwide, Inc.	USA Partnership Pavilion, Hall 3, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1025	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1200	Are You Defence Ready? Hosted by Australian Industry and Defence Network (AIDN)	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1200	Lockheed Martin: Industry Opportunity Briefing Hosted by Lockheed Martin	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1030–1130	Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance: Industry Update Hosted by Department of Defence: Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance Enterprise	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>

TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
1030–1430	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 1 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1245	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1430	AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited	Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1300–1400	Poland–Australia Space Round Table Hosted by Austrade	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1330–1430	AVALON 2023 Innovation Awards Presentation Ceremony Innovation Program Sponsored by Synergy Group 	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–1500	Export Readiness in Defence – Global Opportunities and Support Hosted by Australian Defence and Export Office (ADEO) and Austrade	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–1600	Australian Business Aviation Association Members Meeting Hosted by Australian Business Aviation Association (ABAA)	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1400–1600	ODIS Briefing Hosted by Department of Defence: CASG	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1430–1455	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1500–1600	AIDN Member Networking Function Hosted by Australian Industry and Defence Network (AIDN)	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1500–1630	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 1 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1600–1730	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1730 for an 1830 start	Official Victorian State Reception Hosted by the Governor of Victoria	Government House Melbourne	<i>By invitation only</i>
1900–2300	United Kingdom High Commission Reception Hosted by the British High Commission	Melbourne	<i>By invitation only</i>

WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0700–0900	Exhibitor access to the event	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Exhibitors badges only</i>
0900–1700	AVALON 2023 Exposition Day 2	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0900–1000	Drone Racing Demonstration and Practice Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1030	Sustainable Aviation Fuel – SAF Hosted by Air bp	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>

WEDNESDAY | MARCH

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0930–1600	Indo Pacific Military Rotorcraft Symposium Advancing military rotorcraft capabilities in the Indo Pacific Hosted by Boeing	Room 5, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
0930–1600	World Airports Conference – Mission Possible: Net Zero Aviation in a Changing Global Environment Hosted by Airbiz	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1025	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1200	AVALON 2023 Innovation Pitchfest Hosted by Defence Science Institute (DSI) in partnership with AVALON 2023 organiser, AMDA Foundation Limited, the SA Defence Innovation Partnership (DIP), NSW Defence Innovation Network (DIN), WA's Defence Science Centre (DSC), and Queensland Defence Science Alliance (QDSA) Innovation Program Sponsored by Synergy Group 	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1330	AIAC20 AVALON23 Application Technology Sessions Hosted by Engineers Australia and the Royal Aeronautical Society	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1030–1430	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 2 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1100–1600	TBC Hosted by Australia and New Zealand, Airborne Law Enforcement Management Group	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
TBC	Astronaut Al Worden Endeavour Scholarship Award Ceremony Hosted by Kallman Worldwide, Inc.	TBC	<i>TBC</i>
1200–1230	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1430	AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited	Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1230–1600	Delivering More Together – Defence Innovation, Science and Technology Hosted by Department of Defence: Defence Science and Technology Group	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1330–1400	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–1600	U.S. Investment Seminar Hosted by United States Commercial Service	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1430–1455	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1500–1630	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 2 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1600–1730	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1900–2100	USA VIP Reception Hosted by Kallman Worldwide, Inc.	Melbourne	<i>By invitation only.</i>

THURSDAY 2 MARCH

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0700–0900	Exhibitor access to the event	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Exhibitors badges only</i>
0900–1700	AVALON 2023 Exposition Day 3	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0900–1000	Drone Racing Demonstration and Practice Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1130	What the 5th Gen Workforce Will Look Like Hosted by Kinexus	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1200	Meet the Primes Hosted by BenchOn	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
0930–1200	ODIS Briefing Hosted by Department of Defence: CASG	Room 5, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1600	Australian Airports Association State Division Meeting Hosted by Australian Airports Association (AAA)	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
0930–1600	Testing to Support Sovereign Capability Hosted by Flight Test Society of Australia	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1000–1025	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1030–1430	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 3 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1230	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1430	AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited	Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1330–1400	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–1600	Defence's Role in the Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Transition Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and CSIRO	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1400–1600	ICN Victoria Project Opportunities Hosted by ICN Victoria	Room 5, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1430–1455	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1500–1630	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 3 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1600–1730	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>

FRIDAY 3 MARCH

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0700–0900	Exhibitor access to the event	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Exhibitors badges only</i>
0900–1700	AVALON 2023 Exposition Day 4	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and Gold Pass ticket holders</i>
0900–1000	Drone Racing Demonstration and Practice Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1200	Regional Aviation Association of Australia Conference Hosted by Regional Aviation Association of Australia (RAAA)	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1025	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1030–1215	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 4 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1430	AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited	Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1215–1240	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1300–1430	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 4 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–2115	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and public ticket holders</i>
1430–1455	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and public ticket holders</i>
1500–1630	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Finals Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and public ticket holders</i>
Dusk	Night Flying Drone Demonstration	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and public ticket holders</i>

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From: Assurance
To: [redacted]
Cc: Assurance
Subject: CM: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources - Family Reunion Travel [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Friday, 19 September 2025 5:33:01 PM
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Hon Luke Howarth

Dear Mr Howarth

Thank you for the engagement from your office in relation IPEA's assurance review of your family reunion travel between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2023.

On 17 February 2025 your previous Office Manager [redacted] provided details of your parliamentary business in Melbourne between 27 and 28 February 2023. [redacted] advised that you attended the Avalon Air show in your role as Shadow Minister for Defence Personnel.

On 19 February 2025, IPEA replied to this email requesting that you provide copies of documentation, such as diary entries, social media posts or invitations. [redacted] provided IPEA with the diary entry (refer below) and the attachments to this email in support of your response.

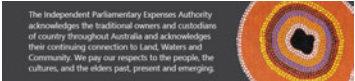
With reference to your diary entry on 27 February 2023, IPEA is seeking further information regarding the nature of your parliamentary business at Montania Café - Bar - Restaurant (Montania Café) located within the Mountain Gate Shopping Centre in Ferntree Gully, Victoria. IPEA's records show that upon your arrival at Melbourne airport on 27 February 2023, you used COMCAR to travel to Ferntree Gully arriving at 12:04pm, before departing by COMCAR at 5pm from Ferntree Gully to Southbank (attached for your reference). These movements are also reflected in the diary note provided by your office, noting that the diary note references your check in at your accommodation at the Crown Towers on the morning of 27 February 2023 and a commitment at 12 pm at the Montania Café.

Section 25 of the Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017 outlines the obligations of parliamentarians in relation to the use of public resources. In particular, that Members are personally responsible and accountable for their use of public resources for conducting their parliamentary business, and that Members must be prepared to justify publicly their use of public resources for conducting their parliamentary business.

Accordingly, it would be appreciated if you could personally respond by 3 October 2025, to confirm the information previously provided by your office and to advise of the nature of your parliamentary business at the Montania Café in Ferntree Gully.

Sincerely

[redacted signature]
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From: [redacted] (L. Howarth, MP) [redacted] > On Behalf Of Howarth, Luke (MP)
Sent: Wednesday, 19 February 2025 4:12 PM
To: Assurance <Assurance@ipea.gov.au>; Howarth, Luke (MP) <[redacted]>
Cc: [redacted] (L. Howarth, MP) [redacted] >
Subject: HPE CM: RE: HPE CM: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources - Family Reunion Travel [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Good afternoon

Please find the attached diary entries.

Thank You

Table with 3 columns: Monday (27), Tuesday (28), Wednesday (1 Mar). Contains a detailed diary schedule with times and activities such as 'AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (SL)', '7:15am Qantas QF0611 #B12059247 Brisbane to Melbourne', '12 PM For Monday, Middy Montania, Shop 52, Mountain Gate Shopping Centre, 1880 Ferntree Gully', and '7:20pm Qantas QF0636 #B12015212 Melbourne to Brisbane'.

We won't be able to deliver this message to [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP) because the email address is no longer valid.

[REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP): Automatic reply: Please note I am no longer employed in the office of the Hon Luke Howarth MP. Please contact the office of the Hon Luke Howarth MP on 07 3284 8008 or [REDACTED] Kind regards

Attendee responses: 1 accepted, 0 tentatively accepted, 0 declined.

Shadow Ministry

Send Update

Title: Time Block - AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (SL)

Required: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP)

Optional: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP)

Start time: Mon 27/02/2023 12:00 AM Brisbane All day Time zones

End time: Wed 1/03/2023 12:00 AM Coordinated Universal Time Make Recurring

Location: Avalon Airport, Geelong, Victoria

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From: Assurance <Assurance@ipea.gov.au>
 Sent: Wednesday, 19 February 2025 2:45 PM
 To: Howarth, Luke (MP) [REDACTED]; Assurance <Assurance@ipea.gov.au>
 Cc: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP) [REDACTED]
 Subject: RE: HPE CM: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel [SEC=OFFICIAL] **OFFICIAL**

Good afternoon Mr Howarth and [REDACTED]
 Thank you for your response.
 Mr Howarth, could you provide IPEA some supporting information such as diary entries/notes (redacted where required), social media posts or invitations as evidence of your attendance at the Avalon Airshow in your capacity as a Member of Parliament undertaking parliamentary duties.

Kind regards
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From: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP) [REDACTED] > On Behalf Of Howarth, Luke (MP)
 Sent: Monday, 17 February 2025 4:29 PM
 To: Assurance <Assurance@ipea.gov.au>
 Subject: HPE CM: RE: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Good afternoon
 Mr Howarth was the Shadow Minister for Defence Industry and Shadow Minister for Defence Personnel and during his travel to Melbourne was invited to attend the AVALON airshow as part of his Defence Industry portfolio and Parliamentary duties.
 The week before was a full week after a Parliamentary sitting week. His wife [REDACTED] joined him for Family reunion purposes and joined Mr Howarth to facilitate the family life. "A happy wife equals a happy life"
 Please don't hesitate to contact Mr Howarth should you need more information.
 Thank you.
 Kind Regards

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From: Assurance <Assurance@ipea.gov.au>
 Sent: Tuesday, 4 February 2025 2:50 PM
 To: Howarth, Luke (MP) [REDACTED]
 Cc: Assurance <Assurance@ipea.gov.au>
 Subject: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel [SEC=OFFICIAL] **OFFICIAL**

Hon Luke Howarth MP
Member for Petrie

Dear Mr Howarth
 Attached please find correspondence from the Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority.
 Sincerely

[REDACTED]
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To: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP)
Cc: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP)
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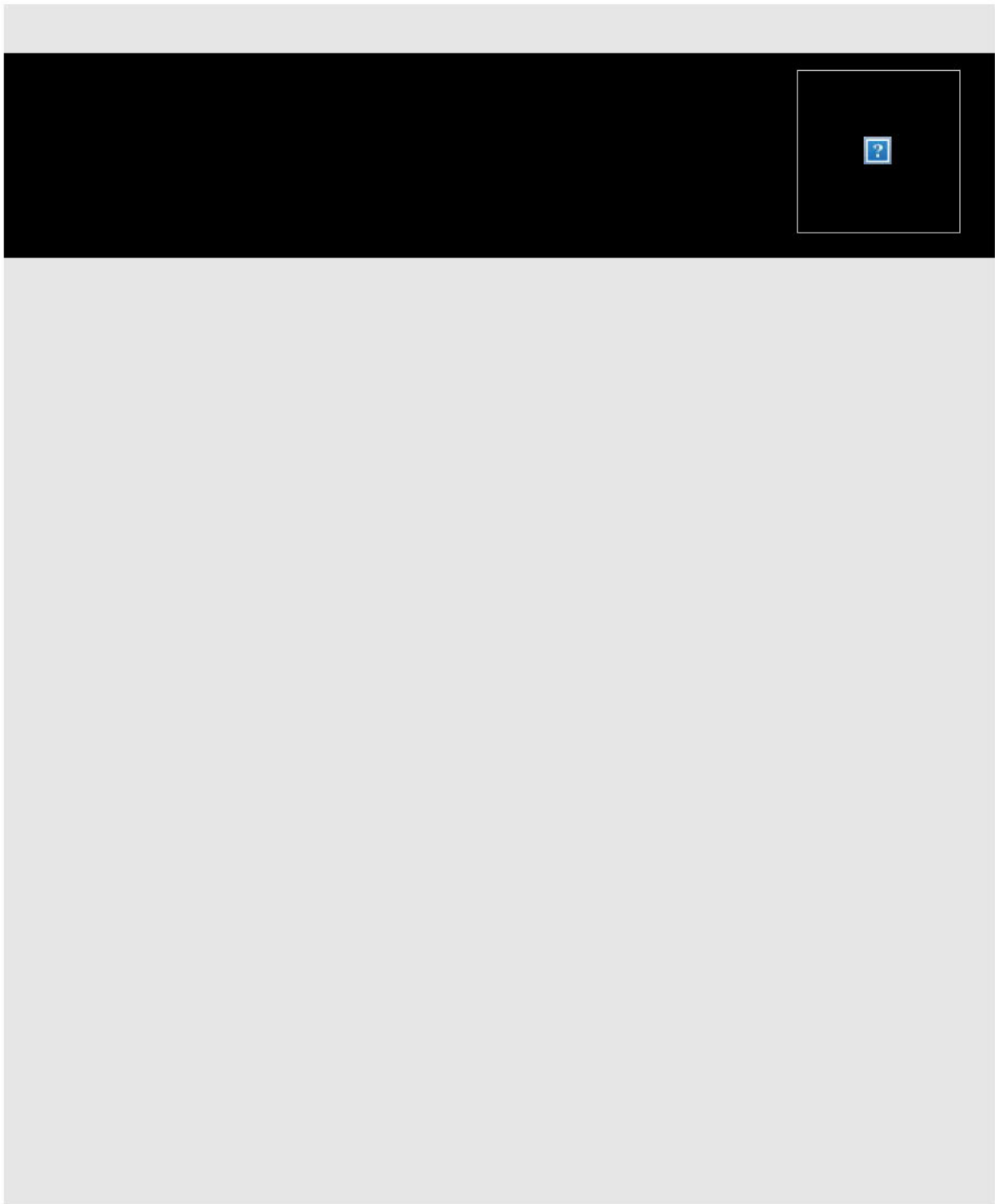


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The Honourable Luke Howarth,
Your registration for
AVALON 2023
has been confirmed.

Please save this email for future reference.

This is confirmation of your VIP registration for AVALON 2023, Tuesday 28 February to Sunday 5 March at Avalon Airport, Geelong, Victoria.

AVALON 2023 Print-At-Home Badge

For AVALON 2023 you will be issued with a print-at-home badge and access instructions for the event site via your nominated email address approximately **two weeks prior to AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow & Aerospace and Defence Exposition.**

Your print-at-home badge be valid for all days of the event from Tuesday 28 February to Sunday 5 March 2023 and will also provide you access to the

Delegation Lounge located at the rear of Exhibition Hall 2.

If you wish to reserve a meeting room in the Delegation Lounge please email [delegations@\[REDACTED\]](mailto:delegations@[REDACTED])

If you wish to amend any of your accepted functions listed below, please email [protocol@\[REDACTED\]](mailto:protocol@[REDACTED])

If you have requested a car pass, this will be posted to the address provided in your registration in early February 2023.

AVALON 2023 Admission Times

Tuesday 28 February	0900 - 1700
Wednesday 1 March	0900 - 1700
Thursday 2 March	0900 - 1700
Friday 3 March	0900 - 2200 (Public event access from 1400)
Saturday 4 March	0800 - 1700
Sunday 5 March	0800 - 1700

Registration Summary

VIP

The Honourable Luke HOWARTH (QR# [REDACTED])
[REDACTED]

AVALON 2023 Defence and Industry Dinner (including the AVALON 2023 Official Opening Ceremony)

Monday 27 February 2023, 1815 - 2200

Crown Palladium, Melbourne 1815 arrival for pre-dinner drinks with guests to be seated by 1945

Dress Code:

Civilian: Business Suit / Business attire

Military: SD1 – Tunic with Ribbons

Seating for this function will be allocated and your table number will be sent via SMS ahead of the function to the mobile number provided in your registration.

AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon - Thursday 2 March

Thursday 02 March 2023, 1200 - 1430

Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site

The lunches will be an informal stand-up style function to maximise flexibility and networking potential.

Dress Code:

Civilian: Business Suit / Business attire

Military: Dress of the Day

AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon - Friday 3 March

Friday 03 March 2023, 1200 - 1430
Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site

The lunches will be an informal stand-up style function to maximise flexibility and networking potential.

Dress Code:
Civilian: Business Suit / Business attire
Military: Dress of the Day

AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon – Saturday 4 March

Saturday 04 March 2023, 1200 - 1430
Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site

Dress Code: Smart casual

AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon – Sunday 5 March

Sunday 05 March 2023, 1200 - 1430
Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site

Dress Code: Smart casual

AVALON 2023 will feature a program of conferences, seminars and symposia many of which are complimentary to all attendees.

If you would like to register for any of the conferences, you can login into your registration [here](#) using your email and the above QR Number.

[For Conditions of Entry please click here](#)

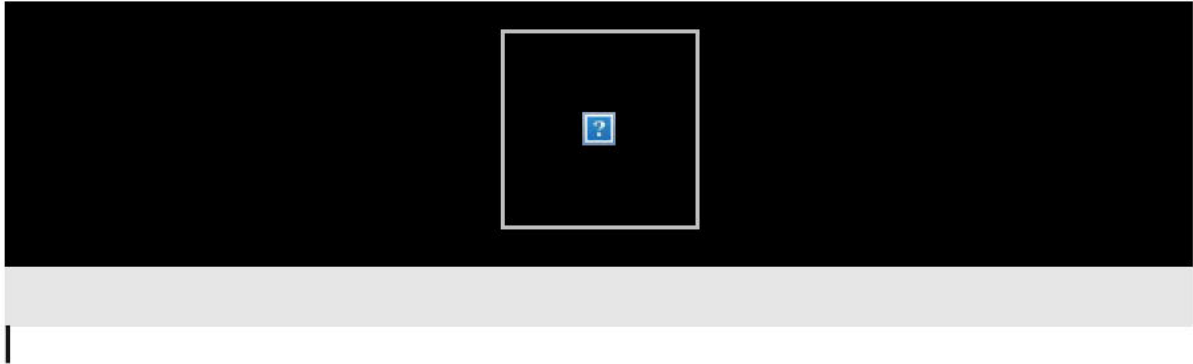
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MONDAY 27 FEBRUARY

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0830–1600	2023 Chief of Air Force Symposium Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Melbourne	<i>By invitation only</i>
0845–1710	20th Australian International Aerospace Congress (AIAC20) Hosted by Engineers Australia and the Royal Aeronautical Society	Sofitel Melbourne on Collins	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
0930–1600	Emerging Aviation Technologies: Challenging the Status Quo in Australia Hosted by Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems (AAUS)	Metropolis Events, Melbourne	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
1830–2300	AVALON 2023 Defence and Industry Dinner (including the AVALON 2023 Official Opening Ceremony) Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited Sponsored by Cloudera (Aust) Pty Ltd CLOUDERA	Melbourne	<i>By invitation only</i>
1900–2100	AIAC20 HUMS Dinner Hosted by Engineers Australia and the Royal Aeronautical Society	Melbourne	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
1900–late	Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems Dinner Hosted by Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems (AAUS)	Leftbank, Melbourne	<i>Registration fees apply</i>

TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0700–0900	Exhibitor access to the event	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Exhibitors badges only</i>
0900–1700	AVALON 2023 Exposition Day I	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0900–1000	Drone Racing Demonstration and Practice Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0900–1710	20th Australian International Aerospace Congress (AIAC20) Hosted by Engineers Australia and the Royal Aeronautical Society	Sofitel Melbourne on Collins	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
0930–1030	Advancing Space: Australian Government Briefing Hosted by Australian Space Agency, AusIndustry and Austrade	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1600	Emerging Aviation Technologies: Challenging the Status Quo in Australia Hosted by Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems (AAUS)	Room 5, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Registration fees apply</i>
1000–1030	USA Partnership Pavilion Opening Ceremony Hosted by Kallman Worldwide, Inc.	USA Partnership Pavilion, Hall 3, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1025	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1200	Are You Defence Ready? Hosted by Australian Industry and Defence Network (AIDN)	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1200	Lockheed Martin: Industry Opportunity Briefing Hosted by Lockheed Martin	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1030–1130	Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance: Industry Update Hosted by Department of Defence: Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance Enterprise	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>

TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
1030–1430	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 1 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1245	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1430	AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited	Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1300–1400	Poland–Australia Space Round Table Hosted by Austrade	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1330–1430	AVALON 2023 Innovation Awards Presentation Ceremony Innovation Program Sponsored by Synergy Group 	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–1500	Export Readiness in Defence – Global Opportunities and Support Hosted by Australian Defence and Export Office (ADEO) and Austrade	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–1600	Australian Business Aviation Association Members Meeting Hosted by Australian Business Aviation Association (ABAA)	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1400–1600	ODIS Briefing Hosted by Department of Defence: CASG	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1430–1455	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1500–1600	AIDN Member Networking Function Hosted by Australian Industry and Defence Network (AIDN)	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1500–1630	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 1 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1600–1730	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1730 for an 1830 start	Official Victorian State Reception Hosted by the Governor of Victoria	Government House Melbourne	<i>By invitation only</i>
1900–2300	United Kingdom High Commission Reception Hosted by the British High Commission	Melbourne	<i>By invitation only</i>

WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0700–0900	Exhibitor access to the event	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Exhibitors badges only</i>
0900–1700	AVALON 2023 Exposition Day 2	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0900–1000	Drone Racing Demonstration and Practice Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1030	Sustainable Aviation Fuel – SAF Hosted by Air bp	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>

WEDNESDAY | MARCH

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0930–1600	Indo Pacific Military Rotorcraft Symposium Advancing military rotorcraft capabilities in the Indo Pacific Hosted by Boeing	Room 5, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
0930–1600	World Airports Conference – Mission Possible: Net Zero Aviation in a Changing Global Environment Hosted by Airbiz	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1025	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1200	AVALON 2023 Innovation Pitchfest Hosted by Defence Science Institute (DSI) in partnership with AVALON 2023 organiser, AMDA Foundation Limited, the SA Defence Innovation Partnership (DIP), NSW Defence Innovation Network (DIN), WA's Defence Science Centre (DSC), and Queensland Defence Science Alliance (QDSA) Innovation Program Sponsored by Synergy Group 	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1330	AIAC20 AVALON23 Application Technology Sessions Hosted by Engineers Australia and the Royal Aeronautical Society	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1030–1430	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 2 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1100–1600	TBC Hosted by Australia and New Zealand, Airborne Law Enforcement Management Group	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
TBC	Astronaut Al Worden Endeavour Scholarship Award Ceremony Hosted by Kallman Worldwide, Inc.	TBC	<i>TBC</i>
1200–1230	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1430	AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited	Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1230–1600	Delivering More Together – Defence Innovation, Science and Technology Hosted by Department of Defence: Defence Science and Technology Group	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1330–1400	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–1600	U.S. Investment Seminar Hosted by United States Commercial Service	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1430–1455	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1500–1630	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 2 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1600–1730	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1900–2100	USA VIP Reception Hosted by Kallman Worldwide, Inc.	Melbourne	<i>By invitation only.</i>

THURSDAY 2 MARCH

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0700–0900	Exhibitor access to the event	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Exhibitors badges only</i>
0900–1700	AVALON 2023 Exposition Day 3	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0900–1000	Drone Racing Demonstration and Practice Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1130	What the 5th Gen Workforce Will Look Like Hosted by Kinexus	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1200	Meet the Primes Hosted by BenchOn	Room 4, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
0930–1200	ODIS Briefing Hosted by Department of Defence: CASG	Room 5, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1600	Australian Airports Association State Division Meeting Hosted by Australian Airports Association (AAA)	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
0930–1600	Testing to Support Sovereign Capability Hosted by Flight Test Society of Australia	Room 3, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1000–1025	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1030–1430	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 3 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1230	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1430	AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited	Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1330–1400	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–1600	Defence's Role in the Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Transition Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and CSIRO	Room 1, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1400–1600	ICN Victoria Project Opportunities Hosted by ICN Victoria	Room 5, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1430–1455	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1500–1630	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 3 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1600–1730	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>

FRIDAY 3 MARCH

TIME	EVENT HOSTED BY	LOCATION	REGISTRATION TYPE
0700–0900	Exhibitor access to the event	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Exhibitors badges only</i>
0900–1700	AVALON 2023 Exposition Day 4	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and Gold Pass ticket holders</i>
0900–1000	Drone Racing Demonstration and Practice Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
0930–1200	Regional Aviation Association of Australia Conference Hosted by Regional Aviation Association of Australia (RAAA)	Room 2, Conference Centre, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1000–1025	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1030–1215	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 4 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1200–1430	AVALON 2023 Official VIP Luncheon Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force and AMDA Foundation Limited	Chairmans Suite, Chalet N1, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>By invitation only</i>
1215–1240	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1300–1430	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Round 4 Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media and invited guests</i>
1400–2115	Flying Display	AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and public ticket holders</i>
1430–1455	Military Working Dog Display Hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and public ticket holders</i>
1500–1630	Military International Drone Racing Tournament Finals Hosted by the Australian Army Drone Racing Association	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and public ticket holders</i>
Dusk	Night Flying Drone Demonstration	Bone and Drone Zone, AVALON 2023 Event Site	<i>Open to all exhibitors, trade visitors, conference delegates, media, invited guests and public ticket holders</i>

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28 FEBRUARY – 5 MARCH, AVALON AIRPORT, GEELONG, VICTORIA

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Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family reunion travel - Hon Luke Howarth

Work Resource	Traveller	Departure Location	Departure Date	Departure Time	Arrival Location	Arrival Date	Arrival Time	Total Amount
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	██████	27 February 2023	5:45am	Brisbane airport		6:17am	\$65.28
Travel fares – Qantas Airways - Self	Mr Luke Howarth	Brisbane	27 February 2023	7:15am	Melbourne	27 February 2023	10:35am	\$1602.74
Travel fares- Qantas Airways - Spouse	██████████	Brisbane	27 February 2023	7:15am	Melbourne	27 February 2023	10:35am	\$1602.74
Travel Allowance – Commercial (1 night)	Mr Luke Howarth				Melbourne	27 February 2023		\$402.00
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Melbourne airport	27 February 2023	10:34am	Ferntree Gully		12:04pm	\$195.65
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Ferntree Gully	27 February 2023	5:00pm	Southbank		5:42pm	\$91.48
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Southbank	28 February 2023	7:45am	Lara		9:16am	\$357.52
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Point Wilson	28 February 2023	5:00pm	Melbourne airport		6:19pm	\$326.92
Travel fares- Qantas Airways - Spouse	██████████	Melbourne	28 February 2023	8:20pm	Brisbane	28 February 2023	9:30pm	\$1602.74
Travel fares – Qantas Airways - Self	Mr Luke Howarth	Melbourne	28 February 2023	8:20pm	Brisbane	28 February 2023	9:30pm	\$1602.74
COMCAR	Mr Luke Howarth	Brisbane airport	28 February 2023	9:16pm	██████		10:02pm	\$99.99

From: [redacted]
Subject: [redacted]
Date: 18 February 2023 12:52 PM
To: [redacted]

Your details on the program - I have had
My car, have an off and have not a bit of a car as it was all refilled off in May 2023
I have to like what I was doing was very busy that I had one of the buses that budget for a Member and MP in the industry during my 12 years as an MP
The courtesy car was a bit with my wife and kids in November
Shirley Lister

On 18, 19 Sep 2023 at 09:31, Assistant [redacted] wrote

OFFICIAL

Dear Mr Howarth

Dear Mr Howarth

Thank you for the request from your office in relation to the Public Access Review of your diary records (travel between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022)

On 17 February 2023 your previous Office Manager [redacted] provided details of your parliamentary business in Melbourne between 27 and 28 February 2023. [redacted] advised that you attended the Aviation Air show in your role as Shadow Minister for Defence Personnel

On 19 February 2023, IFAA notified to this end of requests that you provide complete documents, such as diary entries, social media posts or tweets. [redacted] provided IFAA with the diary entry (table below) and the attachments to this email in support of your request

With reference to your diary entry on 22 February 2023, IFAA is seeking further information regarding the nature of your parliamentary business at Melbourne Club. Bar 2 restaurant (Melbourne Club) located within the Melbourne Golf Clubhouse in Ferntree Gully, Victoria. IFAA records show that upon your arrival at Melbourne Airport on 22 February 2023, you used CEMCAL as a vehicle to Ferntree Gully arriving at 12:45pm, before departing by CEMCAL at 5pm from Ferntree Gully to Caulfield (attached to your response). These transactions are also reflected in the diary entry provided by your office, noting that the diary also references your check in at your accommodation at the Crown Towers on the evening of 22 February 2023 and a meal at 12:30pm at the Melbourne Club

Section 23 of the Parliamentary Business Access Act 2017 outlines the obligations of parliamentarians in relation to the use of public resources. It provides that Members are personally responsible and accountable for their use of public resources for conducting their parliamentary business, and that Members must be prepared to justify publicly their use of public resources for conducting their parliamentary business

Accordingly, it will be expected if you could personally respond by 3 October 2023 to confirm the information previously provided by your office and to advise of the nature of your parliamentary business at the Melbourne Club in Ferntree Gully

Sincerely

[redacted]
Director, Assistant and Aide
Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority
141 2 6215 3000
141 2 6215 3000
www.parliament.gov.au



From: [redacted]
Sent: 18 February 2023 12:52 PM
To: [redacted]

Dear Mr Howarth

Thank you for the request

Table with columns: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Contains a detailed diary schedule with dates and activities.

Form for 'Your Story' with fields for Name, Title, Organisation, and other details. Includes a 'Submit' button.

From: [redacted]
Sent: 18 February 2023 12:52 PM
To: [redacted]

OFFICIAL

Dear Mr Howarth

Thank you for your response

[redacted] advised you provide IFAA with supporting information such as diary entries, social media posts or tweets as evidence of your attendance at the Aviation Air show in your capacity as a Member of Parliament including parliamentary duties

Yours

[redacted]
Director, Assistant and Aide
Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority
141 2 6215 3000
www.parliament.gov.au

From: [redacted]
Sent: 18 February 2023 12:52 PM
To: [redacted]

Dear Mr Howarth

[redacted] was the Shadow Minister for Defence Industry and Shadow Minister for Defence Personnel and during my term in Melbourne was invited to attend the AVAILOR aviation as part of the Defence Industry profile and Parliamentary duties

The next follow up I had was after a Parliamentary sitting week. My wife [redacted] joined him for Family reunion program and joined Mr Howarth to facilitate the Family Day. "A happy to be, happy to be"

Please don't hesitate to contact Mr Howarth should you need more information

Thank you

[redacted]
Office / Other Manager
Office of the Hon Shirley Lister MP | Federal Member for Poole
Shirley Lister MP | Member Liaison for Poole/Ferntree Gully
Office of the Hon Shirley Lister MP | 141 2 6215 3000



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From: Assurance <assurances@mpa.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 4 February 2025 2:50 PM
To: 'Howarth, Luke MP' <luke.howarth@mpa.gov.au>
CC: Assurance <assurances@mpa.gov.au>
Subject: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel [SEC: OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Hon Luke Howarth MP

Member for Petrie

Dear Mr Howarth

Attached please find correspondence from the Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority

Sincerely

Branch Manager (A&L), Transparency, Assurance and Legal
Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority

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From: [Luke Howarth](#)
To: [Assurance](#)
Subject: CM: Re: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Saturday, 20 September 2025 6:42:24 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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[image002.png](#)
[image008.png](#)

Dear [REDACTED],

On further reflection on your email below.

- 1) Why are you contacting me in September 2025 when these original questions came in February 2025?
- 2) Is there NOT some sort of time frame you have and your team to actually do your job? IPEA should be checking this within 3 months of travel so it's fresh in peoples minds. I repeat what i said earlier it's highly insensitive and stupid to be contacted after an MP has lost at an election in relation to an expense that goes back over 2 years. (Stop and think about it please) Quite frankly with the role of director i believe you should be using more empathy.
- 3) in relation to section 25, I am NO LONGER a member. Im not getting paid and it highlights point 2 even further.

However. I did look into the suburb and it came up in the seat of Aston. My memory travelling to Aston was during the Federal by-election as a Shadow Minister to meet with the Liberal candidate [REDACTED], local people voting (constituents of Aston and a Senator as the Shadow Minister. It would have also included meet and greet of business people and residents.

Given the above i do not wish to be contacted again on expenses going back this far its ridiculous. Please pass this onto your supervisor or Minister my comments.

With respect

Hon. Luke Howarth

.On Fri, 19 Sep 2025 at 9:33 am, Assurance <Assurance@ipea.gov.au> wrote:

OFFICIAL

Hon Luke Howarth

Dear Mr Howarth

Thank you for the engagement from your office in relation IPEA's assurance review of your family reunion travel between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2023.

On 17 February 2025 your previous Office Manager, [REDACTED] provided details of your parliamentary business in Melbourne between 27 and 28 February 2023. [REDACTED] advised that you attended the Avalon Air show in your role as Shadow Minister for Defence Personnel.

On 19 February 2025, IPEA replied to this email requesting that you provide copies of documentation, such as diary entries, social media posts or invitations. [REDACTED] provided IPEA with the diary entry (refer below) and the attachments to this email in support of your response.

With reference to your diary entry on 27 February 2023, IPEA is seeking further information regarding the nature of your parliamentary business at Montania Café – Bar – Restaurant (Montania Café) located within the Mountain Gate Shopping Centre in Ferntree Gully, Victoria. IPEA's records show that upon your arrival at Melbourne airport on 27 February 2023, you used COMCAR to travel to Ferntree Gully arriving at 12:04pm, before departing by COMCAR at 5pm from Ferntree Gully to Southbank (attached for your reference). These movements are also reflected in the diary note provided by your office, noting that the diary note references your check in at your accommodation at the Crown Towers on the morning of 27 February 2023 and a commitment at 12 pm at the Montania Cafe.

Section 25 of the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017* outlines the obligations of parliamentarians in relation to the use of public resources. In particular, that Members are *personally* responsible and accountable for their use of public resources for conducting their parliamentary business, and that Members must be prepared to justify publicly their use of public resources for conducting their parliamentary business.

Accordingly, it would be appreciated if you could *personally* respond by **3 October 2025**, to confirm the information previously provided by your office and to advise of the nature of your parliamentary business at the Montania Café in Ferntree Gully.

Sincerely

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP) [REDACTED] > On Behalf Of Howarth, Luke (MP)
 Sent: Wednesday, 19 February 2025 4:12 PM
 To: Assurance <Assurance@ipea.gov.au>; Howarth, Luke (MP) <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP) [REDACTED] >
 Subject: HPE CM: RE: HPE CM: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Good afternoon

Please find the attached diary entries.

Thank You

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
27	28	1 Mar
12:00am Time Block - AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (SL); 10:00am		
12:00am Time Block - AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (SL); 10:00am		Luke Day off
	+1	
7:15am Qantas QF0611 #B12059247 Brisbane to Melbourne	7:45am Comcar #183227 [REDACTED] *travel time est 50- 60 mins	
	9:00am - ARRIVE + ADMISSION: Av	
	9:30am - MEETING: SRC [REDACTED]	
	10:00am - MEETING: FLEET- SPACE	
	10:30am - MEETING: Lockheed Ma	
CHECK IN HOTEL - [REDACTED]	HOLD - Walk around airshow + Tar	
	11:30am - MEETING: Airbus [REDACTED]	
	12:00pm - Avalon Airshow Flying Dis	
	12:30pm - LUNCH: Avalon Airshow VI	
12 PM For Monday. Midday Montania, Shop 52, Mountain Gate Shopping Centre, 1880 Ferntree Gully	1:00pm - MEETING: Starke - AMG (+R	
	1:30pm - MEETING: Kongsberg Def	
	**HOLD - Visit	2:15pm - MEET
	1500 - 1530: M	3:00pm - MEET
	3:30pm MEETING: [REDACTED]	
	4:15pm - MEETING: QinetiQ ([REDACTED])	
5:00pm PICK UP + TRAVEL Ferntree G Mountain Gate Shopping Centre; Sho	4:45pm: MBDA [REDACTED]	
	5:15pm - Comcar #183230 Avalon Airshow to Melbourne Airport (+ [REDACTED]) *est travel time 1 hr 50 mins Howarth, Luke (MP)	
6:15pm - EVENT: AVALON 2023 Defence and Industry Dinner (including the AVALON 2023 Official Opening Ceremony) [REDACTED] Crown Palladium, Melbourne; **admission card + map attached Howarth, Luke (MP)	20:20pm Qantas QF0636 #B12015212 [REDACTED] Melbourne to Brisbane	
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We weren't able to deliver this message to [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP) because the email address is no longer valid.

[REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP) - Automatic reply - Please note I am no longer employed in the office of the Hon Luke Howarth MP. Please contact the office of the Hon Luke Howarth MP on 07 3281 8008 or [REDACTED] Kind regards

Attendee responses: 1 accepted, 0 tentatively accepted, 0 declined.

Shadow Ministry

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Title: Time Block - AVALON 2023 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (SI)

Required: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP)

Optional: [REDACTED] (L. Howarth, MP)

Start time: Mon 27/02/2023 12:00 AM Brisbane All day Time zones

End time: Wed 1/03/2023 12:00 AM Coordinated Universal Time [Make Recurring](#)

Location: Avalon Airport, Geelong, Victoria [Room Find](#)

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Subject: RE: HPE CM: Assurance Review of travel and travel-related resources – Family Reunion Travel [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good afternoon Mr Howarth and [REDACTED]

Thank you for your response.

Mr Howarth, could you provide IPEA some supporting information such as diary entries/notes (redacted where required), social media posts or invitations as evidence of your attendance at the Avalon Airshow in your capacity as a Member of Parliament undertaking parliamentary duties.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

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Good afternoon

Mr Howarth was the Shadow Minister for Defence Industry and Shadow Minister for Defence Personnel and during his travel to Melbourne was invited to attend the AVALON airshow as part of his Defence Industry portfolio and Parliamentary duties.

The week before was a full week after a Parliamentary sitting week. His wife [REDACTED] joined him for Family reunion purposes and joined Mr Howarth to facilitate the family life. “A happy wife equals a happy life”

Please don't hesitate to contact Mr Howarth should you need more information.

Thank you.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED] | Office / Diary Manager

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Hon Luke Howarth MP

Member for Petrie

Dear Mr Howarth

Attached please find correspondence from the Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority.

Sincerely

Branch Manager (A/g), Transparency, Assurance and Legal

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