

From: s47F
To: [HERALD, Russell](#)
Cc: s47F
Subject: s47(1)(b)
Date: Monday, 12 February 2024 10:13:45 PM
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Russell


Following our meeting this afternoon Future Fit Services have basically two goals.

Keep the Future Fit Program Going.


Keep the program out of the hands of the Peaks who will then deliver a Peak driven (s47F driven) outcome instead of a service driven one.

I am suggesting a simple solution.

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Before I float this with the broader Future Fit Team members I thought I would get a response from you.

As simple "has possibilities" or "Your Dreamin" will suffice.

I copied s47F and s47F in to get a feel for how they feel about this idea.

Cheers

s47F



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From: s47F
To: s47F ; [HERALD, Russell](#)
Subject: Re: s47(1)(b)
Date: Tuesday, 13 February 2024 5:54:16 AM
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Hi,

All I have to add is that I agree and support what s47F and s47F have said and hope out all of this that we, the services get a positive outcome that ensures MoW is around in years to come for our communities, which is what FF was all about.

Keep the dream alive.

s47F

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From: s47F
Sent: Monday, February 12, 2024 9:41 pm
To: s47F ; HERALD, Russell
 <Russell.Herald@health.gov.au>; s47G
 s47G
Subject: RE: s47(1)(b)

Evening all, firstly s47F, thanks again for the great representation on behalf of the Future Fit team.

Russell I wholeheartedly support s47F proposals and I know s47F will as well. We have discussed similar options over the past few months.

Our aim is to drive a future for meal services, to work with Government and avoid the unnecessary barriers that can only result in a negative outcome for our respective communities and older Australians. We are on the ground day in and day out. Our lense on service delivery differs greatly from the peaks. Our agenda is significantly different from the peaks.

Russell what you have with the Future Fit team, as demonstrated by s47F, is a 100% commitment to see this through. We have made such great headway and we are confident that we can deliver to Government an outcome that suits all parties, but most importantly our respective customers.

Too much time has been wasted with egos, emails, text messages, and the like. What LG and Miles Morgan have done is consolidated a group of services who have been crying out for leadership for many many years. The CTF is just one example of this wonderful working relationship that has been borne.

After 10 years with Sutherland Food Services I would have never had the opportunity to work

with s47F etc. That consolidation of resources is there at your disposal, but more importantly a willingness FOR THE RIGHT REASONS to push this forward. Collectively we have a host of resources, in our boards, our supporters and we can leverage those skills to make this happen. This is a game changer for sure, but it can also be a blueprint for the future.

I sincerely hope you don't think "we are dreamin" – would welcome any further information or opportunity to take this forward,

s47F



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From: s47F
To: s22
Cc: s47G s47F
Subject: RE: Catch up - Future Fit [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 13 February 2024 11:50:27 AM
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Hi s22 thanks for the call and good to speak with you about how we achieve the common goal of delivering Future Fit. I'll await your email regarding the notice to Future Fit participants.

I still haven't been able to touch base with s47F, but I will keep trying so she is also on the same page. I feel we are both share the same frustrations and fears! s47G

As a group it's time for services to step up and take over from where Miles Morgan got us to which has been nothing short of a miracle (as I said in my email to Rusty last night). I wanted to share the attached email we sent to Minister Wells, as this supports what s47F has sent through last night and shows that to move ahead we must move to s47(1)(b)

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- [REDACTED]
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I know we can deliver this, the foundations are solid!

Cheers,

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From: s22 [redacted]@health.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 13 February 2024 9:35 AM
To: s47F [redacted];
s47G [redacted]
Subject: Catch up - Future Fit [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hey s47F [redacted]

Any chance you have time for a quick catch up today?

Many thanks,

s22 [redacted]

Director - CHSP and Continence Policy
Home Support Operations Branch

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From: s47F
To: [HERALD, Russell](#)
Cc: s47F s47G


Subject: Re: Future Fit Submission
Date: Thursday, 15 February 2024 12:12:18 PM

Russell Herald
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Before making any decisions on who is to take up the challenge of completing Future Fit please give us the opportunity to prepare a submission so that the services who have effectively driven the program can take control and complete it.

On behalf of s47F, s47F and the Future Fit Participants

s47F

Spokesperson

Future Fit Feasibility Study Participants.

From: [CONNOLLY, Thea](#)
To: s47F; enquiries@futurefitcollective.net.au
Cc: s22
Subject: RE: Open Care Tech announcement [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Wednesday, 20 March 2024 5:39:21 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image004.png](#)

Hi s47F

We were surprised to receive this from Minister Well's office given your last email to the minister advised that you would reach out to her further on this to 'share your vision in more detail'. s47G

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Regards

Thea

Thea Connolly

First Assistant Secretary

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From: s47F

Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2024 7:32 AM

To: Minister Wells <Minister.Wells@Health.gov.au>; Minister.Wells@aph.gov.au

Cc: s22 [@Health.gov.au](mailto:s22@Health.gov.au); s22

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Subject: Open Care Tech announcement

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EMBARGOED UNTIL 12.01AM 21 MARCH 2024

Dear Minister Wells

Further to my email to you on 10 February 2024, I am writing to let you know we will be launching Open Care Tech this Thursday 21 March. Our media release which is embargoed until 12.01am Thursday 21 March 2024 is attached for your reference.

Our decision to make the software we helped to develop freely available will not only benefit the wider community but also maximise the impact of the government's investment in Future Fit. We believe that this approach aligns with the objectives of the government to promote accessibility and advance technology, as well as setting a

precedent for further investments to also be shared across the network.

We believe that this collaborative approach will foster innovation, reinforce a strengthened sense of community, drive improvements, and ultimately support our common goal, which is to enhance the quality of in-home care.

s47G



We would welcome the addition of an attributable quote from you to include in our media release. We would also like to offer a meeting with you or your office at any time to discuss the work Future Fit Collective and the benefits of **Open Care Tech**.

Kind regards,

s47F



Ref No: MC24-002248

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Dear s47F and s47F

Thank you for your correspondence of 12 February 2024 and 20 March 2024 to the Minister for Aged Care and Minister for Sport, Hon Anika Wells MP regarding Future Fit Meal Services and Open Care Tech, respectively. The Minister has asked me to reply.

The department recognises the time and effort you have put into developing the Future Fit deliverables with the ultimate goal of supporting older people to access nutritious meals and to help ensure viability of organisations that provide those meals and accompanying social supports.

The contract with Miles Morgan Australia (MMA) to support the Future Fit project ended on 31 December 2023. In January the Department of Health and Aged Care put in place a transitional contract with MMA. This contract was to close out the Future Fit project and to fully transition any MMA administration at Whitehorse while consideration was given by the Australian Government on the next steps for reforms. However, MMA notified the department on 31 January 2024 that it will no longer be involved in the proposed meals Feasibility Study, which was to be the likely next stage of Future Fit. The department is therefore considering its options before preparing advice to government.

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We welcome your offer to discuss the Future Fit Collective and Open Care Tech with you. The below questions build on those I posed to you on 20 March:

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I will ask my team to arrange a time to discuss these important issues. Thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely



Thea Connolly
First Assistant Secretary
Home and Residential Division
4 April 2024

Ref No: MC24-005915

Directors
Future Fit Collective
enquiries@futurefitcollective.net.au

Dear Directors of Future Fit Collective

I refer to your correspondence of 15 April 2024 to the Minister for Finance and Minister for Women and Minister for the Public Service, the Hon Katy Gallagher MP, regarding Open Care Tech. Your letter has been referred to the Minister for Aged Care and Minister for Sport, the Hon Anika Wells MP. The Minister has asked me to reply.

The Department of Health and Aged Care is continuing to investigate conflicting claims of intellectual property ownership in relation to assets developed under the Future Fit project. In my letter dated 4 April 2024 I asked some questions so the department could better understand the situation. I am still keen to better understand the Future Fit Collective situation and would be grateful for your answers to the following questions, noting these questions have evolved from those in my last correspondence:

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I appreciate your support in helping us better understand the issues you've raised. I would be grateful for a response by 28 June. Following this response, I would still be interested in meeting with the Future Fit Collective to discuss your broader vision.

Thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized capital 'C' followed by a horizontal line.

Thea Connolly
First Assistant Secretary
Home and Residential Division
5 June 2024

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From: CONNOLLY, Thea <Thea.Connolly@health.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, June 14, 2024 5:50 PM
To: s22 @health.gov.au; STODDART, Chloe
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Subject: FW: MC24-005915 - Signed response [SEC=OFFICIAL]

For advice thanks team

From: s47G @futurefitcollective.net.au <s47G @futurefitcollective.net.au>
Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2024 9:26 AM
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Subject: Re: MC24-005915 - Signed response [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good morning Thea,

We hope you are well.

Please see attached correspondence.




12 June 2024

Thea Connolly
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Dear Thea

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Yours faithfully
Future Fit Collective