

**Michelle O'Byrne – Minister in charge of Air Quality**



**Exeter air quality 25/6/2009**

**From:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)  
**To:** [michelle.obyrne@parliament.tas.gov.au](mailto:michelle.obyrne@parliament.tas.gov.au)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 19, 2009 3:45 PM  
**Subject:** Request for a meeting.

Michelle O'Byrne MP  
State Minister for Environment...  
19th May 2009

Dear Madam,

Some twelve months ago I lodged several requests to meet with you on environmental issues.

It would appear your department advisor (Mr. Brad Arkelle) has refused my requests as I have heard nothing since then although my request to meet is still current.

Given the exceptional long delay, I am now writing to ask to meet with you before the end of May please at your electorate office in Launceston.

If you would be so kind to let me know one way or the other within seven days (7) it would be much appreciated.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,  
Clive M. Stott pn

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** [Hon Michelle O'Byrne MHA](#)

**To:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 20, 2009 1:04 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Request for a meeting.

Hi Mr Stott,

On behalf of Minister O'Byrne thank you for your request. It is now been progressed.

Kind regards,  
Elisa Robinson

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)  
**To:** [Hon Michelle O'Byrne MHA](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 20, 2009 2:43 PM  
**Subject:** Elisa Robinson - Re: Request for a meeting.

Hello Elisa,

Thank you for your reply.  
You mention, "...it is now been..."  
Can you please clarify for me whether it is now being progressed, or has it been progressed?

Thank you.

Clive Stott

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**From:** [brad.arkell@depha.tas.gov.au](mailto:brad.arkell@depha.tas.gov.au)  
**To:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)  
**Sent:** Monday, May 25, 2009 10:35 AM  
**Subject:** Request for meeting with Minister O'Byrne

Dear Mr Stott

Thank you for your e-mail of 19 May 2009 requesting a meeting with Minister O'Byrne.  
It is my understanding that Norm Andrews, Head of Office, advised you via email in July 2008 that Minister O'Byrne would be unable to meet with you.

As your request for a meeting relates to forestry practices, I suggest that you contact Minister Llewellyn's Office to request a meeting in which to raise your concerns.

Yours sincerely

Brad Arkell  
Adviser

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** [Driessen, Sharni \(DPaC\)](#)

**To:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 02, 2009 3:14 PM

Dear Mr Stott,

Thank you for your phone call - after our phone conversation last week I had a meeting with Brad Arkell from the office of Minister O'Byrne to inform him of the concerns you raised with me, and I understand that Mr Arkell has since been in contact with you in regards to your meeting request.

I encourage you to continue to raise any concerns you may have directly with the appropriate Ministerial Offices, as they are best placed to advise you on this matter.

Kind regards,

**Sharni Driessen**

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**From:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com) [mailto:[cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 June 2009 8:46 PM

**To:** Driessen, Sharni (DPaC)

**Subject:** Re:

Dear Sharnie,

Thank you for this email.

I sent you a return email on the 2/6/09 after receiving this email.  
This is what it said....

*Ms Sharnie Driessen  
Department of Premier and Cabinet,*

*Dear Sharnie,*

*Thank you for your email.*

*Yes Mr Arkell emailed me stating, " I must reiterate that Minister O'Byrne is unable to meet with you."*

*I am not sure Mr Arkell is correct in refusing my request time and time again to meet with Ms. O'Byrne*

*Can you please advise who is the Minister responsible for Air Quality? I thought it was DEPHA and Michelle O'Byrne.*

*Thank you*

*Kind regards,  
Clive M. Stott pn*

It is three weeks now and I have not had a reply.  
Can you please give me an answer?

Thank you.

Kind regards  
Clive Stott

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** [Driessen, Sharni \(DPaC\)](#)

**To:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2009 9:44 AM

**Subject:** RE:

Dear Mr Stott,

Thank you for your e-mail, I don't have any further advice I can add from my previous e-mail to you. I still encourage you to contact the appropriate Ministerial Office as they are best placed to advise you on your matter.

Kind Regards,

**Sharni Driessen**

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**From:** cleanair@cleanairtas.com [mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 June 2009 10:35 AM  
**To:** Driessen, Sharni (DPaC)  
**Subject:** Re:

Dear Sharnie,  
Thank you for your email.  
Which is the appropriate Ministerial Office to contact regarding Tasmanian air quality?  
If you do not know can you please advise me who can.

Thank you.  
Regards,  
Clive Stott

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**From:** [Driessen, Sharni \(DPaC\)](mailto:Driessen, Sharni (DPaC))  
**To:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2009 11:30 AM  
**Subject:** RE:

Dear Mr Stott,

Thank you for your e-mail I do believe the title of Air Quality falls with Minister Michelle O'Byrne.

Kind Regards,

**Sharni Driessen**

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**From:** cleanair@cleanairtas.com [mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 June 2009 1:14 PM  
**To:** Driessen, Sharni (DPaC)  
**Subject:** Re: Air Quality

Hello Sharnie,  
Thank you for your advice.  
I have been trying to meet with Minister Michelle O'Byrne for a long time now on Air Quality and she refuses to meet with me. I am not sure if you can arrange a meeting for

me sometime in the near future at her electorate office in Launceston please, or perhaps you could point me to someone that can?

Please do not put me in touch with Brad Arkell as our relationship has soured over this very issue.

Thank you Sharnie

Kind regards,

Clive Stott

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**To:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2009 2:24 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Air Quality

Dear Mr Stott,

I am sorry but as you are aware I have previously contacted the Minister's office to inform them of our discussion, all I can do is again encourage you to contact the relevant minister in regards to your concerns. Any meeting a Minister has with a constituent is a matter for the minister and their advisors to decide upon.

Kind Regards,

**Sharni Driessen**

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**From:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com) [<mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 June 2009 2:57 PM  
**To:** Driessen, Sharni (DPaC)  
**Subject:** Re: Air Quality

Hello Sharnie,

I am sorry but you seem to be having difficulties with this matter and are going around and around with it to the point, I believe, you do not make good sense.

We have established in a previous email that Minister O'Byrne is the responsible Minister for Air Quality in Tasmania, and now you encourage me to contact the relevant minister? Isn't that what I am trying to do?

Can you please advise who you directly answer to in your position so that I can discuss the matter with them?

Thank you

Kind regards,  
Clive Stott

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**From:** [Sharni.Driessen@dpac.tas.gov.au](mailto:Sharni.Driessen@dpac.tas.gov.au)  
**To:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2009 3:13 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Air Quality

Dear Mr Stott,

I am sorry to confuse I was using general terminology, but yes you are correct, Minister O'Byrne does cover the portfolio heading of Air Quality. I encourage you to contact Minister Michelle O'Byrne's office in regards to your meeting request. I have contacted Minister Michelle O'Byrne's office and raised your concerns, I have again informed them of your current correspondence with me.

Kind Regards,

**Sharni Driessen**

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** [cleanair@cleanairtas.com](mailto:cleanair@cleanairtas.com)  
**To:** [Brad Arkell](mailto:Brad.Arkell)  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 27, 2009 11:35 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: Air Quality

Mr. Brad Arkell  
The Office of Michelle O'Byrne MHA  
Department of Environment Parks Heritage & Arts.

Dear Sir,

I am forwarding an email from Ms Sharnie Driessen, Department of the Premier and Cabinet and am writing once again to ask for a meeting with Minister O'Byrne in her electoral office in Launceston.

The matter is primarily in relation to Air Quality.

Owing to my requests being unreasonably denied for such a long time, would you kindly forward to me a few dates to choose from please, so I can meet with the Minister fairly soon.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and I look forward to your reply.

Yours faithfully,

Clive M. Stott pn