


<b>ACON HEALTH</b> <b>BOARD MEETING: Nr 2/2018</b>		
Date: 18 April 2018, 6pm for 6.15pm		
Agenda Item # 6	Prepared By: Michael Atkinson, Nicky Bath	
<b>Topic: 'In Pursuit of Truth and Justice: Documenting gay and transgender prejudice killings in NSW in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century'</b>		

### 1. Alignment with Strategic Plan

Part 2: LGBTI Health.

Part 3: Advocacy and Social Inclusion.

### 2. Background

At the February 2018 board meeting, the board reviewed the near final draft of the '*In Pursuit of Truth and Justice: Documenting gay and transgender prejudice killings in NSW in the late 20th century*' Report and the accompanying Communications Plan.

The board noted that on 12 February, Justin Koonin and Nicolas Parkhill met with NSW Police (Assistant Commissioner Tony Crandell, Jackie Braw - Senior Programs Officer, and Shoba Sharma) via teleconference.

It was advised that the Police expressed concerns regarding what they perceived to be speculative language used in ACON's report, such as the use of words like 'many' and 'most' to express trends, and a suggestion of a lack of evidence.

Detailed written feedback was then received from Assistant Commissioner Tony Crandell and work has been undertaken to redraft the Report incorporating this feedback within the document.

All subsequent changes to the document and Communications Plan have now been progressed and a final drafts are attached.

### 3. Discussion

At this point we do not have any update on when the report from Operation Parrabell will be released. We understand that it is currently with the NSW Police Commissioner for consideration, meaning that it could be released at any time.

It is preferable that ACON releases its report prior to the NSW Police releasing the Operation Parrabell Report, in order to emphasise the separation between the two processes. We are therefore planning to release our report by mid-May.

Further details on the proposed timeline is below.

A draft media release has been prepared and is attached.

**4. Timelines**

April/May	Community and stakeholder roundtable
17 May	Community event including a panel of speakers

**5. Budget Implication**

All activity is accounted for this in this financial year's budget.

**6. Risk Issues and Mitigation Strategies**

Please see the attached Communications Plan.

**7. Recommendation**

That the board approves the final draft of *'In Pursuit of Truth and Justice: Documenting gay and transgender prejudice killings in NSW in the late 20th century'*, Communications Plan and media release.

**8. Board Action**

For noting

For discussion

For decision

**9. Attachments: 3**

**6a** Final draft of the Gate Hate Dossiers Report *'In Pursuit of Truth and Justice: Documenting gay and transgender prejudice killings in NSW in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century'*

**6b** Communications Plan

**6c** Final draft media release