

Update Regarding TLC's Privacy Policy

In July 2015, after the request from one of TLC's Members for a copy of TLC's membership list, TLC enquired to the Government of British Columbia as to whether our organization was authorized to release our membership list to a TLC Member in good standing. The membership list would include names and contact information for Members, which constitutes personal information.

The Senior Privacy Investigator and Advisor of the Privacy and Legislation Branch of the Government of British Columbia referenced [Part 6](#) of the [Personal Information Protection Act](#), specifically sections 17 and 18, as these sections deal with disclosure of personal information without consent.

When an individual becomes a TLC Member, they do not give consent to our organization to release their information for the purposes of other Members; further, as neither section 17 nor 18 authorize disclosure without consent, they concluded that TLC is not authorized to release our membership list.

For further questions please contact TLC's Chief Privacy Officer Cathy Armstrong at 250-479-8053 or admin@conservancy.bc.ca or the Privacy and Access Helpline of the Government of British Columbia at 250-356-1851. The *Personal Information Protection Act* can be viewed online at http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/00_03063_01.