

CITY OF SYDNEY ELECTIONS NON-RESIDENTIAL REGISTER & ROLL

COUNSEL'S
CHAMBERS
LIMITED

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Dear: Shareholders, Clerks & Lessees,

This circular includes the following topics:

- *Changes to the City of Sydney Act 1988*
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Changes to the City of Sydney Act 1988

The contents of this email is for the information of CCL Shareholders and lessees of CCL. It is not to be construed as advice and Members should make their own determination as to whether they have obligations as a consequence of the recent changes by the NSW Government to the City of Sydney Act 1988 (rendering it compulsory for certain non-resident occupiers to be entered on a register created and maintained by the City of Sydney for the purposes of voting at Local Government elections and also in relation to the registration process generally).

As a non-residential owner and the rate payer in relation to the properties CCL own, CCL also has obligations in relation to the changes to the Act.

Further information is available at: cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/register

Requirements for CCL Shareholders

It appears that you are a non-residential occupier and, as a consequence, required to register on the non-residential enrolment register if you meet all of the following criteria:

- a) you (or your corporation) occupy rateable property (residential or business), by yourself or with others, within the City of Sydney Local Government Area;
- b) you pay \$4,000 or more p.a. in rent by yourself or with others and have had a right to occupy for at least 3 months;
- c) your enrolled residential address is **not** within the City of Sydney Local Government Area; and
- d) you are entitled to vote in Australian elections.

To register, you can [apply online](#) or complete a [simple 2-page form](#).

In addition, because there is neither a standard formal lease nor licence agreement between CCL and its Members, CCL has prepared the attached standard letter confirming the basis of the right to occupy in Wentworth, Selborne & Windeyer Chambers, this letter may be of assistance with the registration process. Although the Council may require further confirmation from CCL in relation to your occupancy, due to privacy issues, CCL cannot release any information directly to the Council unless you authorise it in writing to do so.

When registering Shareholders will require the following information:

Selborne Chambers:

- 174 – 176 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000
- Lot 1; DP 51329 and Lot 31; DP 80459 (only one is required when applying online)

Wentworth Chambers:

- 178 – 180 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000
- Lot 2; DP 88516 and Lot 33; DP 980314; (only one is required when applying online)

Windeyer Chambers:

- 225 – 227 Macquarie Street, Sydney NSW 2000
- Lots 28 - 43; SP 18259 (only one of the Lot numbers from 28 to 43 is required when applying online – see below)
- The online application automatically lists 60 addresses for Windeyer Chambers, each with a prefix of “Unit 1/”, “Unit 2/” and so on to “Unit 60/”. When applying online, Shareholders in Windeyer Chambers should use any one of the prefixes from “Unit 28/” up to and including “Unit 43/” when registering – this will automatically complete the Lot number and SP details.

Requirements for Lockhart Leases

In relation to the leases in Lockhart Chambers, we understand that the Lessee can nominate two representatives to be enrolled on behalf of your group. We understand that you are a non-residential lessee if:

- a) you lease rateable property (residential or business), by yourself or with others, within the City of Sydney Local Government Area;
- b) you have been paying lease costs of \$4,000 or more p.a. by yourself or with others for at least 3 months which includes a contribution towards rates; and
- c) your enrolled residential address is **not** within the City of Sydney Local Government Area; and
- d) you are entitled to vote in Australian elections.

To register as a rate-paying lessee, or if you are unsure if you meet the criteria, email register@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au.

Again, due to privacy issues, CCL cannot release any information directly to the Council unless you authorise it in writing to do so.

Contact information for the City of Sydney

The changes to the Act and the registration process are complicated, and we have endeavoured to provide you with a summary of what is required but can make no guarantees as to your eligibility to be enrolled on the register or to vote, Members seeking further information can also contact the City of Sydney Customer Service team on 1800 101 667 or email them at register@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

Please be aware that there is a maximum penalty of \$2,200 to refuse or fail to provide information without a reasonable excuse or to give an answer which is false or misleading by Monday 28 June 2021.

The election will be held on Saturday 4 September 2021.

Kind Regards,
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