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CENSW Updates

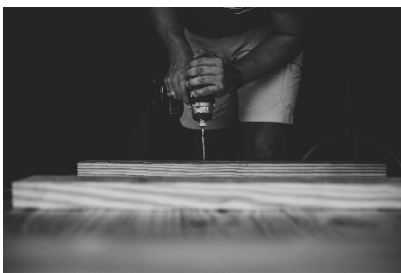
CCA Working Group

This group has now met three times and will look at reviewing the company rent methodology, amongst other issues connected to the CCAs. There will be monthly meetings until the end of 2020. It is anticipated that any recommendations arising from these meetings will go out to the sector for consultations early next year.

Meeting with Co-ops

The CEO & Co-op Development Team (CDT) have been holding Zoom meetings with each Co-op to provide updates and to discuss any matters Co-ops might have. These have been received extremely well with a great uptake of virtual meeting technology.

We will look into continuing these forms of meetings next year as well as holding Regional meetings. The format for next year's regional meetings is still under review.



Croydon development

The Dunroamin/ Croydon development is progressing well and will be completed by mid-December 2020. The new Croydon complex will contain six units and is well deserved progress for the Dunroamin Co-op. This is a very exciting time of growth for CENSW and the sector.

AGM reminder

Our Annual General Meeting will be virtual this year, conducted online.

Date: Saturday, 21 November 2020

Time: 10.00am – 12.00pm



AGM packs which include information on registering for the event are being sent out to all Co-ops via email or post later this week.

Contact person for any questions you might have:

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Policy Updates

The following two policies have been updated on our website:

- C1.11 Breach of Tenancy Policy and Guidelines
- C1.19 Financial Hardship Policy and Procedure

View them here: <https://www.commonequity.com.au/tenant/policies/>

INDUSTRY UPDATES

The Co-op Federation Virtual AGM

Date: Thursday, 5 November 2020

Time: 4pm

More information soon. Visit their website - <https://fed.coop/>

New NSW Co-ops Regulations Commences

The Federation, along with the Business Council of Co-operatives and Mutuals (BCCM) made a submission to the NSW government on proposed new NSW Regulations for Co-operatives. The submission focused on the proposed increases and other changes to fees for Co-operatives and on some proposed relaxation of the protection for the Co-operative brand and the use of “Co-operative” or “Co-op” in a trading name.

In response to the submission, the government pulled back the proposed fee increases to Consumer Price Index (CPI) but left the Regulation largely unchanged.

View the regulation here: <https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/>

RESOURCES



Are you on the right energy plan?

Go to the independent government site Energy Made Easy. This site provides comparisons between energy retailer plans, information on how to understand plans and bills, your rights and how to reduce energy costs. More information can be found at <https://www.energymadeeasy.gov.au/>

Lendlease Foundation – FutureSteps – Free training to end of October 2020

FutureSteps are offering a range of free online training sessions. Topics covered include:

- Client Participation and Engagement
- Mental Health First Aid
- Creating Videos from your iPhone
- Virtual meeting success

For more information and to register click here:
<https://events.humanitix.com/tours/not-for-profit-skills-workshops>

GET INVOLVED

International Co-operative Alliance Online Events

The International Co-operative Alliance and the Co-operative College UK hosted two online events to mark the 25th anniversary of the revised Statement on the Co-operative Identity.



Co-operative Conversations: Looking Back for a Stronger, Brighter Future.
View events here: <https://www.ica.coop/en/newsroom/news/cooperative-conversations-two-online-events>



Photo competition

What does Co-operative identity mean to you? Could you capture this in a photo?

The contest will run from November 2020 until November 2021.

More information here: <https://www.ica.coop/en/newsroom/news/picture-worth-thousand-wordscoopsnapshot-competition>

This email bulletin is printable and meant for all members, so please feel free to share it with others.

COMMON EQUITY CONTACT DETAILS

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