



The Secretary
Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Legislative Assembly for the ACT
GPO Box 1020
CANBERRA ACT 2601



Dear Mr Smyth

RE: Inquiry into elements impacting on the future of the ACT Clubs Sector

On behalf of **Woden Blues AFC** I wish to comment on the Inquiry mentioned above.

The **Canberra Irish Club Weston** has been a great supporter of our organisation for 16 years and each year we receive \$5,500.00

Because of our Clubs support, we are able to purchase new and updated medical supplies, purchase new equipment, pay for our affiliation fees with AFL Canberra, run successful fundraising events and functions at the club and attract new players to our club.

A Football club as our nature, it's imperative to have an outstanding relationship with our sponsored club. We value and are very grateful for the continued support.

Without this partnership with the Club, our organisation would simply not be able to operate or provide the services we can to the Community. We cannot envisage any other organisation or government agency being able to fill the void if our Club was not there to support us.

The assistance of the Club industry in the ACT is reflected through our partnership with *The Canberra Irish Club Weston* and is something that can only be maintained by the Club if they are able to remain a viable community asset.

We trust that your Committee will see the invaluable role the Clubs play in our community.

Yours sincerely

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Woden Blues AFC

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