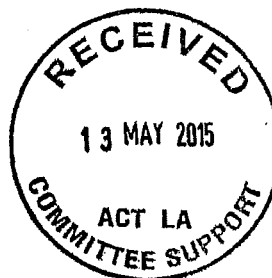


The Secretary
Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Legislative Assembly for the ACT
GPO Box 1020
CANBERRA ACT 2601



Dear Mr Smyth

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

On behalf of The Canberra Men's Choir Inc. I wish to comment on the Inquiry mentioned above.

The **Canberra Southern Cross Club** has been a great supporter of our organisation for over twenty years and each year we receive free use of a rehearsal room and piano plus complementary tea and coffee.

Because of our Clubs support, we are able to afford to operate. Also, the venue is neutral unlike a church hall.

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 **Canberra Southern Cross Club** 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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Richard Lamont'.

Richard Lamont
President
The Canberra Men's Choir Inc.

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