



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 Surf & Lake Club, I wish to comment on the Inquiry mentioned above.

The Vikings Group has been a great supporter of our organisation for 25 years and each year we receive \$2,750 in annual grants and we also receive a new surf boat to the value of \$28,000 approximately every 5 years.

Because of our Clubs support, we are able keep our membership fees and competition expenses at a manageable level, thus not becoming a price prohibitive sporting offering in the Canberra Community. Without this sponsorship, we would lose a great % of our membership due to increased costs.

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 Vikings Group 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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