

## External Memberships

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### Summary

The City of Sydney is a member of a wide range of associations and organisations which provide staff and Councillors with access to up-to-date information and information-sharing opportunities, forums and conferences for professional and policy development.

The memberships held by the City of Sydney are reviewed regularly to ensure they remain relevant to the work of the City and are provided to Council for their information. The City's current memberships are outlined in Attachment A.

The total cost of these memberships is \$640,425 per annum which has been provided for in the 2021/22 budget.

In 2007, Council resolved that new, minor memberships up to the value of \$10,000 be approved by the relevant Director or Chief Executive Officer. New memberships worth over \$10,000 are brought to Council for consideration.

This report seeks Council's endorsement of the existing memberships as outlined in Attachment A. The City's memberships will continue to be reviewed and any significant changes reported to Council.

### Recommendation

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) receive and note the City's membership of the associations outlined in Attachment A to the subject report; and
- (B) note that final membership amounts change from time to time and any significant changes will be reported back to Council via CEO Update.

### Attachments

**Attachment A.** List of Existing Memberships

## **Background**

1. The City of Sydney is a member of a range of associations which provide access to professional support, updated industry information and information sharing, forums and conferences for professional and policy development and accreditation.
2. Memberships cover a wide range of associations to reflect the breadth of City activities.
3. The City contributes to and works with these groups to achieve our goals.
4. The total cost of these memberships is \$640,425 per annum.
5. These memberships were included in the budget for 2021/22.
6. The top three memberships account for \$226,850 and include the Council of Capital City Lord Mayors (CCCLM), Local Government NSW (LGNSW) and the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC).
7. The other smaller memberships make up the remaining \$413,575.

## **Financial Implications**

8. The existing cost of these memberships is \$640,425 per annum which has been provided for in the 2021/22 operating budget.

## **Relevant Legislation**

9. Nil.

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