

## Relevant Information for Council

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**FILE:** X079066 **DATE:** 17 February 2023

**TO:** Lord Mayor and Councillors

**FROM:** Emma Rigney, Director City Life

**THROUGH:** Monica Barone, Chief Executive Officer

**SUBJECT:** Information Relevant To Item 6.6 –Exemption from Tender and Contract Variation – Catering Services – Compass Group (Restaurant Associates)

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### For Noting

This memo is for the information of the Lord Mayor and Councillors.

### Background

At the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee 13 February 2023, further information was sought regarding more low income and flexible catering options for community hirers for the current contract extension and the future tender.

The City is requesting a contract extension to safeguard catering options while a tender process is undertaken. Renegotiating the terms of the current contract in this short timeframe is not recommended, therefore approval is sought to extend the current contract on its current terms.

It is important to clarify that the hirer of Sydney Town Hall enters a direct negotiation with Restaurant Associates regarding their catering needs. The City does not get involved in these negotiations, however, will continue to encourage Restaurant Associates to be flexible and work with community to offer lower cost options.

Staff have commenced discussions on the forthcoming tender and are considering flexible catering options to be included in the new contract.

### Memo from Emma Rigney, Director City Life

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Approved

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**MONICA BARONE**

Chief Executive Officer