



29 August 2019

To our fellow sub-Branch members,  
From the DC 7 group,

Earlier this year we were nominated by your District Council leaders to act as representatives on behalf of sub-Branches and members state-wide, to ensure our collective voices were heard in the development of the constitution and the accompanying Standard Operating Procedures.

It is a responsibility that has naturally been taken very seriously by all of us, with an extensive amount of time and energy committed to this task over many months. We have worked as hard as possible on your behalf to make sure that the things that matter have been properly addressed. The final draft constitution is now ready for sub-Branch review and, ultimately, your vote on October 29.

Many of the issues and concerns of the past have been successfully revised. The team at ANZAC House, have been committed to a transparent, ongoing and open feedback process and have listened to what we have had to say on your behalf.

The constitution and standard operating procedures you see today are the result of this collaborative effort to ensure sub-Branches can continue to operate with autonomy, but sitting alongside the practicalities required to operate within the RSL Act 2018.

We think we have found the right balance so that all members of the 'DC 7' are comfortable with the constitution and SOPs that sub-Branches will vote on in October.

Yours,

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Lee Corder AM, Central Southern District Council  
Ron Duckworth, Far Southern Metropolitan District Council  
Peter Fidden, Newcastle District Council  
Graham Handley, Far Western Metropolitan District Council  
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Keith Wood, Far South Western District Council