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**THE RETURNED AND SERVICES LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA
LAMBTON-NEW LAMBTON SUB-BRANCH
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FEEDBACK RSL NSW DRAFT CONSTITUTION –2019

Dear Leigh,

Please find within some feed back in respect of the RSL NSW Draft Constitution raised by members and executive of the Lambton-New Lambton RSL Sub-branch.

In the main, the executive and members are satisfied with the Draft Constitution, but find that further explanation and discussion needs to occur in the areas below.

Clause 9.26 - Powers of the Board.

Given that RSL Sub-branches are an integral part of their community, especially in rural NSW, and given that these communities have invested in, and financially supported these sub-branches in the provision of assets, property or any other thing for these sub-branches, then such asset, property or thing should remain in the control of the sub-branch and not in the control of RSL NSW.

Clause 9.27(b) - Govern and regulate the function of sub-branches.

It is anticipated that RSL NSW will provide the framework within which the RSL sub-branches will operate, however sub-branches will remain autonomous units which operate within that framework.

Clause 9.27(e) - Govern and regulate all matters relating to membership.

This sub-branch considers that these matters remain the responsibility of the sub-branch, with the Board to review any aspect of membership, and to provide arbitration of any membership issue, should it arise.

Clause 10 - Directors' Remuneration.

This sub-branch remains concerned about the issue of remuneration. Given that the RSL NSW Act states that Directors may receive remuneration, the actual amount of remuneration remains