Waiver of Membership Fees

30 March 2020

1. The Board has developed a procedure in relation to assisting members who are in temporary financial difficulty and who may be unable to immediately pay the Society's membership fees.

2. The procedure is administered by the Executive of the Society.

3. The Executive may consider a reduction, deferral or waiver of a fee (in part or in full) if:

    (a) a member is facing difficult financial circumstances;

    (b) those circumstances are expected to be temporary (12 months or less);

    (c) the member has been a participant in the affairs of the Society for sometime (12 months or more); and

    (d) the member expects to continue to be a participant in the affairs of the Society for sometime (12 months or more).

3A. In addition to paragraph 3, from 30 March 2020 for such period as the Board may determine from time to time the Executive may consider a reduction, deferral or waiver of a fee (in part or in full) on the following further grounds:

    (a) a member is facing difficult financial circumstances associated with the COVID-19 pandemic and the Executive is satisfied that in considering:

        (i) the member's circumstances with respect to the Society; and

        (ii) the member's financial circumstances associated with the COVID-19 pandemic;

    it is appropriate to reduce, defer or waive a fee (as applicable); or

    (b) other circumstances associated with the COVID-19 pandemic which the member records in writing make it appropriate to reduce, defer or waive a fee (as applicable).

4. Any application to the Executive should be directed to the secretary of the Society (secretary@scl.org.au).

5. The application should set out the detail of the request (that is whether a reduction, deferral or waiver is sought and if so to what extent) and provide information regarding the applicant's participation in the affairs of the Society.

6. The Board has delegated the administration of this procedure to the Executive so as to enable any request to be dealt with discretely.