

Mr Jonathan O'Dea MP
Chair
Legislative Assembly
Public Accounts Committee
Parliament of NSW
Macquarie Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Mr O'Dea

**Inquiry into the
Examination of Auditor-General's Performance Audit Reports [May-July 2013]
Report #229 Management of the ClubGRANTS Scheme**

I refer to your letter of 19 September 2014 where you provide a list of questions on notice arising from the Authority's submission to the abovementioned Auditor-General's Performance Audit Report. The following responses have been prepared for your reference –

Questions on Notice to the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority

- [1] *Please provide the Committee with an update on progress following stakeholder consultations*

On 1 September 2014, the Executive Director of the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing wrote to the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority confirming receipt of the Authority's letter dated 26 June 2014. The Authority understands formal consultation to progress our proposals with the Minister are now underway with ClubsNSW, in accordance with the terms of the *Gaming Machine Tax Act 2001*.

- [2] *Please confirm what communication has taken place with the Local Committees to advise them of this opportunity to lodge a complaint*

The ClubGRANTS Guidelines Breach Allegation Form (Form) was published by ClubsNSW via an electronic newsletter (copy enclosed) which was sent to all ClubGrants Local Committee Convenors on 2 September 2014. Within the newsletter a link to the Form was provided. In addition, the complaints process and Form is located within a dedicated webpage within the Independent liquor and Gaming Authority's website.

Please confirm whether any complaints have been lodged to date via this form

To date, no complaints have been received via the Form.

- [3] *Please advise the status of the request to amend the guidelines to enable clubs to recoup the cost of their membership to the ClubGRANTS online system.*

Please refer to question 1.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this additional information. Should you wish to discuss any aspect of this advice, please contact [REDACTED] at (e) [REDACTED]@ilga.nsw.gov.au or on (t) [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive

10 October 2014

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NEWSLETTER, No 77

To **ClubGRANTS Local Committee Convenors**

From **Anthony Trimarchi, ClubsNSW Policy Officer**

Subject **ClubGRANTS complaints form**

Date **2 September 2014**

Good afternoon local committee convenors.

The Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority (ILGA) have released a ClubGRANTS Guidelines breach allegation form for local committee members. A copy of the form can be found [here](#).

Section 17(3) of the NSW *Gaming Machine Tax Act 2001* gives the ILGA the right to refuse a tax rebate if, on information provided by a ClubGRANTS Local Committee, the Authority is satisfied that the registered club claiming the rebate has not complied with the ClubGRANTS Guidelines.

To initiate the ClubGRANTS complaint handling process, a Local Committee member is required to complete the form. Before completing the form, please review the ClubGRANTS Guidelines, as complainants are required to quote a particular article of the Guidelines which are alleged to have been breached. Complainants are also required to complete a statutory declaration which confirms that the statements and allegations made in the form are true and correct.

A copy of the complaint and any other material you have provided will be provided to ClubsNSW and the club(s) involved, and a written response will be requested from the club(s). Their response, together with the material provided, will form the basis for the Authority's consideration.

For assistance or further information please contact the ILGA on 02 9995 0468.

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This Newsletter contains information and advice to assist ClubGRANTS Convenors and Local Committee delegates in the establishment and operation of their Local Committees. Where, and if, advice is interpreted as being inconsistent with the ClubGRANTS Guidelines approved by the Minister for Gaming and Racing, the Guidelines shall prevail.


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