

## STRATHFIELD AND DISTRICT HEBREW CONGREGATION

### Call for Expressions of Interest and Need

The Strathfield and District Hebrew Congregation (**SDHC**) no longer operates as a Synagogue and has sold its premises. SDHC will be wound up or dissolved in the near future, resulting in a surplus of funds.

The Memorandum of Association (**MoA**) of SDHC requires in effect, that if upon the winding up or dissolution of SDHC, there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property, then that property shall not be paid to or distributed among the SDHC members, but shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to those of SDHC and which also must be a not for profit in the sense its income and property is applied solely towards the promotion of such objects and not to or for its members. The institution or institutions to receive the surplus funds will be determined by a majority of the members of SDHC at a general meeting,

The New South Wales Jewish Board of Deputies and the Directors of the SDHC have formed a Strathfield Advisory Committee (**Committee**), to advise the SDHC and assist it in making a recommendation to the Directors of SDHC as to the distribution of the surplus in accordance with the MoA of the SDHC, having regard to any expressions of interest and needs, received by the Committee.

The Committee now calls for Expressions of Interest and Needs from any not-for-profit organisation having similar objects to those of SDHC as set out in the MoA. Those objects are set out in full in the **Schedule** to this Call for Expressions of Interest and Need

**Expressions of Interests and Needs** must be lodged **no later than 3.00pm on Friday 16 July 2021**, accompanied by:

- the Constitution or Memorandum of Association, ABN and a list of current office holders of the applicant organisation;
- the most recent and two (2) preceding year's tax returns, lodged by the applicant organisation and the organisation's most recent audited accounts;
- whether the applicant organisation is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC);
- detailed reasons in support of the distribution of funds to the applicant organisation; and
- detailed costings for any project for which the applicant organisation seeks funds,

by posting or delivery to the

**Strathfield Advisory Committee**

**NSW Jewish Board of Deputies**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 146 Darlinghurst Road**

**Darlinghurst NSW 2010**

Any enquiries can be addressed to the Committee in writing to the above address or by email to [sac@nswjbd.com](mailto:sac@nswjbd.com) marked for the "**Attention: Secretary SAC**".

**SCHEDULE**  
EXTRACT FROM THE  
MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF

THE STRATHFIELD AND DISTRICT HEBREW CONGREGATION

3. The objects for which the Association is established are: -

- (1) To provide facilities for the congregation and co-operation of persons of Jewish Faith for the purposes of Divine Worship and or the observance of religious ceremonies.
- (2) To take over the assets and liabilities of the unincorporated body known as the Strathfield and District Jewish Centre and to make provision for the conduct of divine service or devotion, public or private, and of ceremonies, rites and religious practices or traditions according to the teachings, doctrines or customs of traditional Judaism.
- (3) To establish and maintain congregations for religious or moral instruction and religious and secular schools of instruction or education.
- (4) To assist and encourage the study of Judaism and to promulgate among persons of Jewish Faith the ethics morality and religion of the Hebrew Scriptures as propounded by the Prophets and other Fathers, Rabbis and teachers of the Jewish Faith.
- (5) To carry out all the usual activities of a Jewish Synagogue and to perform such duties as befall a Jewish congregation in respect of Jewish Religion, law, practice, faith and ceremony.
- (6) To assist the poor and provide solace and comfort for the distressed.
- (7) To make provision for the observance of the last rites and duties towards the dead and the establishment conduct and supervision of Kashruth, Shechita, Chevrah Kadisha, funerals and funeral services and burial and disposal of the remains of Jewish persons.
- (8) To pay where deemed appropriate the funeral and burial expenses of deceased persons of the Jewish Religion.
- (9) To provide the solace and consolation of the Jewish Religion to the dying and to ensure the attendance of members of the Jewish Religion competent and willing to assist in performing the last rites of the Jewish Religion towards the dying and the dead.
- (10) Subject to any statutory provision in relation thereto to erect set up maintain and conduct and to assist in the erection maintenance and conduct of any hospital asylum or hospice for the dying.
- (11) To provide assist or take part in the ownership management control maintenance or upkeep of any cemetery or burial ground and or of any grave or memorial and to purchase lease or otherwise acquire and to conduct lay out fence manage control and maintain any cemetery or area of ground for purposes of burial and to use or permit the same to be used for burial therein of the remains of any person of the Jewish Faith.

- (12) To provide facilities for and records of the marriage of Jewish persons according to the law of New South Wales and or the Commonwealth of Australia and also the law of Moses and Israel and also for the recording of and other procedure relating to births, Bar-Mitzvah regulations and like matters.
- (13) To provide facilities for and regulate all other practices of Judaism, the establishment of Beth Din functioning according to Jewish Law
- (14) To build erect construct lay down enlarge pull down alter re-erect repair and maintain any buildings works or houses necessary or convenient for the purposes and objects of the Association.
- (15) To purchase take on lease or enter into any agreement for lease or exchange or hire or otherwise acquire and whether by gift, demise, bequest or in any other manner from any person company or association any real or personal property of any description or any interest therein including land buildings easements and any other rights and to execute transfers mortgages securities and other instruments pursuant to this clause for the purpose of carrying out all or any of the objects of the Association or of a kind necessary or convenient for the purpose of any such objects.
- (16) To sell manage lease mortgage dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any part of the real and personal property of the Association provided that in case the Association shall hold any property subject to any trusts it shall only deal with the same as allowed by law having regard to such trusts.
- (17) To accept payments for any property or rights sold or otherwise disposed of or dealt with by the Association either in cash or by instalments or in shares of any company or corporation with or without deferred or preferred rights in respect of dividend or repayment of capital or otherwise or by means of a mortgage or by debentures or mortgage debentures or debenture stock of any company or corporation or partly in one mode and partly in another and generally on such terms as the Association may determine and to execute transfers mortgages securities and other instruments pursuant to this clause.
- (18) To borrow or raise money or secure payment of money required for any of the objects of the Association or for the satisfaction or performance of any obligation or liability incurred or undertaken by the Association in such manner as the Association may from time to time think fit; and in particular, but without restricting the generality of the foregoing to borrow or raise money by overdrawn account at a Bank or by mortgage or charge upon the undertaking or the real and or personal property of the Association or any part thereof, or by two or more of these ways together, or to borrow or raise money on the security of bills of exchange promissory notes bonds mortgages deposit receipts or notes or any other security or obligation and or to borrow money without giving any security therefor and upon such terms as to priority or otherwise as the Association shall think fit and to purchase redeem and pay off any such securities or loans.
- (19) In furtherance of the objects of the Association and subject to the provisions of this Memorandum to guarantee the contracts or liabilities of any person firm or company with or without security.
- (20) In furtherance of the objects of the Association and subject to the provisions of this Memorandum to indemnify any person firm or corporation against any liability loss or damage whatsoever.

- (21) To take such steps by personal or written appeals public meetings advertisements or otherwise as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Association by way of donations annual subscriptions bequests or otherwise.
- (22) To invest and deal with any moneys of the Association not immediately required for any of its objects upon such securities and in such manner as may from time to time be determined. Provided that such moneys shall be invested only in such forms of investment as are permitted by law for the investment of trust funds.
- (23) To draw make accept endorse discount execute and issue cheques promissory notes bills of exchange bills of lading warrants debentures and other negotiable or transferable instruments.
- (24) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to enter into any agreement or arrangement with any person company association society club trust authority administration or body whether incorporated or unincorporated having objects substantially similar to those of this Association and to co-operate with any such person company association society club administration trust authority or body in any way which the Association deems conducive to the attainment of these objects or any of them.
- (25) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to amalgamate with any corporation institution society club association or other body whether corporate or unincorporate having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Association and which shall prohibit distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on this Association under or by virtue of Clause 4 hereof.
- (26) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the property assets liabilities and engagements of any one or more of the companies institutions societies clubs associations or bodies with which this Association is authorised to amalgamate.
- (27) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to transfer all or any part of the property assets liabilities and engagements of this Association to any one or more of the companies institutions, societies clubs associations or bodies with which this Association is authorised to amalgamate.
- (28) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to assist or take part in any manner in any Jewish or charitable or philanthropic cause or purpose whatsoever and to sub- scribe to any public national local or other charities and to grant donations for any public purposes.
- (29) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to promote associations of the kind with which this Association is authorised to amalgamate.
- (30) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to establish and support and to aid in the establishment and support of any other association formed for all or any of the objects of this Association and also to set up and maintain any branch of this Association in any place in New South Wales or elsewhere.
- (31) In furtherance of the objects of the Association and subject to all relevant laws to publish any newspaper magazine or other periodical and to arrange radio broadcasting sessions.
- (32) To insure any employees servants or officers of the Association against risk or

accident in the course of their employment by the Association and to effect insurance for the purpose of indemnifying the Association in respect of claims by reason of any such risk or accident and to insure against loss or damage caused by the Association or any of its employees, servants, officers or agents or by reason of public risk.

- (33) To establish and support or aid in the establishment and support of associations funds trusts and conveniences calculated to benefit employees or ex-employees of the Association or the dependents or connections of such persons and to grant pensions and allowances and to make payments towards insurance for these purposes.
- (34) To obtain any Act or Acts of Parliament for any of the purposes of the Association
- (35) In furtherance of the objects of the Association to under- take and execute any trusts the undertaking whereof may seem desirable and either gratuitously or otherwise. In case "the Association shall take or hold any property which may be subject to any trusts the Association shall only deal with the same in such manner as is allowed by law having regard to such trusts.
- (36) To procure the Association to be registered or recognised in any part of the world.
- (37) To do all such other lawful things are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.