



Disclosure Statement – Cairns RSL Sub-branch and Cairns RSL Club

We are pleased to be able to advise that the Sub-Branch and the Club have reached a mutually satisfactory settlement to the loan issue that has been ongoing for some time.

The effect of the settlement is:

1. The Club has agreed to pay to the Sub-Branch a total of \$1.2 million over the next 10 years, with payments of \$200,000 this year and then quarterly instalments of \$25,000 until 31 December 2031; and
2. The Sub-Branch has agreed to give the Club a further 2 x 3-year Lease options, in addition to the current lease period, with market rental reviews to be undertaken this year and at each option period. This allows the Club extended tenure until 31 December 2031.

This deal benefits both organisations, all members, and our veteran community as:

1. The Sub-Branch has a predictable and certain income stream from the rent and the agreed yearly payment;
2. The Club has certainty of its financial obligations, matched to an extended lease period, providing operational stability;
3. Substantial legal fees for both parties have been avoided in the event court action had been necessary and the dispute was likely to have extended for a lengthy period of at least 12 months, causing distraction to both organisations;
4. Importantly resolution of this protracted dispute, allows the Boards of both organisations to mend rifts and work co-operatively for the benefit of all members and veterans into the future.
5. This agreement is binding on all boards of the Sub-Branch and the Club, and respective future successors until the end of the agreement.

Both organisations are pleased to be able to report this very satisfactory outcome to members.

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Cairns RSL Club

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