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Never since EC meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> of June 1998 has strata plan SP52948 properly managed or even run tenders for major contracts

The Chairman spoke to the Executive Committee providing some background on the tenders and the tender process along with the amount of work the Sub-Committee had put into this process.

Dr Edye addressed the Executive Committee outlining his concerns with regard to the letters suggesting impropriety that were being circulated by one Executive Committee member.

Mr Raichman responded to Dr Edye indicating that he believed that the Sub-Committee had exceeded their terms of appointment and that it was his belief that the Sub-Committee were appointed to open the Tender envelopes only.

J Crompton presented a report by the Tendering Sub-Committee giving details and costs of all tenders received, the process undertaken and a summary of companies interviewed.

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1.	Caretaker	CFS Strata Maintenance
	Gardens	Strata-sphere
	Cleaning	Strata-sphere
	Pool	Strata-sphere
	Security	Bright Light Security
2.	Caretaker	Advanced Building Management
	Gardens	Strata-sphere
	Cleaning	Strata-sphere
	Pool	Strata-sphere
	Security	Strata-sphere
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	Cleaning	Strata-sphere
	Pool	Strata-sphere
	Security	Bright Light Security

In period from 1999 to 2016, BCS Strata Management was a strata agency for SP52948 without any competitive tender.

Since 2016, Waratah Strata Management, without disclosure of previous relationship with BCS Strata Management won and continued to run the strata management contract without competitive tender in 2017, 2019, and planning to repeat the same process at AGM on 22<sup>nd</sup> of October 2020 in spite of knowledge that AG 2019 did not comply with SSMA 2015 and SSMR 2016, and strata committee receiving warning about strata and building management tenders on 3th of July 2020.

In 1999, Universal Strata Care grabbed the caretaker's contract through employee job poaching (they were staff members of Strata Sphere). Legal case dragged until 2004, which was attended by Lot 147 (unfinancial owner since 2001, Mr. Moses Levitt). Disclosure of the settlement was never provided to owners. Until 2014, Universal Strata Care were caretaker for SP52948 without any competitive tender.

In 2014, Uniqueco Property Services won the caretaker's contract through employee job poaching (they were staff members of Universal Strata Care). Since 2014, they are caretaker for SP52948 without any competitive tender.

# Strata Management Contracts 1999 to 2020

Raine & Horne Strata Sydney (since 2011 BCS Strata Management) became strata manager at the adjourned Extraordinary General Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> of May 1999

The selection of Raine & Horne Strata Sydney was done without tender or any additional quote from other service providers, which was in direct non-compliance with Strata Schemes Management Act (SSMA) Section 80B. The suggestion to engage Raine & Horne Strata Sydney was initiated by another long-serving member of the Executive Committee Mrs. Maureen MacDonald who strongly favoured them due to personal connections.

MOTION 2	That the resignation of MDA Strata Services Pty Ltd as managing agents for Strata Plan 52948 be accepted.
	That pursuant to Section 26-29 of the Strata Schemes Management Act 1996 Body Corporate Management Services Pty Ltd trading as Raine & Horne Strata-Sydney be appointed as the Strata Managing Agents being delegated the powers, authorities, duties and functions of the Owners Corporation, it's Executive Committee, Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer of such Committee.
	The terms of this appointment and delegation are set out in an Agency Agreement tabled at the meeting which pursuant to Section 238 of the Act is to have the Common Seal affixed and to be signed by two Committee Members - Carried

SP52948 – Contract with Raine & Horne Strata Sydney signed on  $16^{\text{th}}$  of June 1999 that was valid until they were removed from managing the complex at AGM on  $24^{\text{th}}$  of October 2016

# **ISTM**

AGREEMENT DATE

BETWEEN

# APPOINTMENT OF A STRATA MANAGER

Institute of Strata Title Management Ltd

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Strata Schemes Management Act 1996 & Property Stock & Business Agents Act 1941

26 May 1999

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Acknowledgment by Owners Corporation of attachment to Agency Agreement Number: 2671

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# STRATA MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT Fee Agreement

TERM: One YEARS COMMENCING ON \_\_\_\_\_ After the term, successive periods each equal to the term, until termination of the agreement.

STRATA PLAN NUMBER:

MANAGEMENT FEE: \$18,700 FIRST YEAR

ANAGEMENT FEE TO BE PAID QUARTERLY IN ARREARS ees and charges will be paid to the Strata Manager in accordance with clause 4 and 5.  any new tax, charge or impost is payable in respect of the services provided under this agreement, the Owners or or proration and the Strata Manager that tax, charge or impost.  EVELVIEW DATE FOR FEES AND CHARGES: ach anniversary of the date of this agreement or Each Annual General Meeting  EXECUTED AS AN AGREEMENT  THE COMMON SEAL OF THE OWNERS - STRATA PLAN NO.  Print Name:  KEITH JONES  ANAGEMENT  MAUREEN MOONED  Seal  Signature:	
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Signed..........

SP52948 - Minutes of Extraordinary General Meeting held on  $23^{rd}$  of August 2000 introduced GST from  $1^{st}$  of July 2000

IN ATTENDANCE	J Fry from Raine & Horne Strata-Sydney (acting Chairman).
MOTION 1	That the minutes of the last general meeting be confirmed - Carried.
MOTION 2	That the Owners Corporation resolve and acknowledge that Goods and Services Tax at the rate of 10% is payable on the portion of levies due to the Administrative Fund and Sinking Fund for the period from 1 July 2000 to 31 August 2000 and resolve that an additional charge equivalent to the amount of the Goods and Services Tax shall be payable by the Owners to the Strata Scheme on the 14 September 2000 by way of Special Contribution - Carried.
MOTION 3	That the Owners Corporation resolve that an additional charge will be added to all future approved levy contributions due to the Administration and Sinking Fund such charge being equivalent to the rate of Goods and Services Tax that applies from time to time in accordance with any relevant Goods and Services Tax Law - Carried.
CLOSURE	There being no further business the meeting closed.

SP52948 - Minutes of AGM increased strata management contract for Raine & Horne Strata Sydney value to \$21,947.20 (plus GST) and added management expenses without tender on 5<sup>th</sup> of October 2000

It is worth noting Special Levies and increase of Strata Management contract from \$18,700.00 (signed on  $16^{th}$  of June 1999) to \$21,947.20 (plus GST of 10% that was introduced on  $1^{st}$  of July 2000), plus management expenses (postage, photocopying) in amount of 218 lots x \$1.80 per month x 12 months = \$4,708.80, totalling \$26,656.00 (plus GST).

This makes the strata management fees increase in one year by staggering 42.5%. Again, no competitive quotes were sought from other strata agencies.

MOTION 8	That Body Corporate Management Services Pty Limited t/a Raine & Horne Strata-Sydney continue as managing agents for a fee of \$21947.20 management expenses (Postage, photocopying etc) of \$1.80 per lot per month - Carried.
MOTION 9	That a Special Levy of \$100,000 which includes GST be raised due and payable on the 1 December 2000 to improve the balance of the Sinking Fund - Carried subject to the levy being payable four equal instalments on 1 December 2000, 1 February, 1 May and 1 August 2001.

SP52948 – Paper EC meeting without agenda or minutes sent to owners undated in 2002 set Raine & Horne Strata Sydney contract value at \$21,500.00 (plus GST) with management expenses of \$4,700.00

The alleged meeting, which was "attended" by email by six members of the EC and the strata manager, where two EC members (Mr. Stan Pogorelsky and Mr Upali Aranwela), were unfinancial due to unpaid full levies an 10% simple interest for overdue payments for gas heating, and one was recipient of secret water and gas reimbursements for private use without Special Resolution or Special By-Law, made the following decision:

MINUTES OF PAPER COMMITTEE MEETING OF STRATA SCHEME 52948, 1-15 FONTENOY ROAD NORTH RYDE, HELD IN THE OFFICES OF RAINE & HORNE STRATA SYDNEY AT 53 BEECROFT ROAD EPPING AT 10.00AM MOTION 1 That the minutes of the last Committee Meeting be confirmed. - Carried That the attached end of year financial accounts be adopted subject MOTION 2 to final approval at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. - Carried MOTION 3 That the attached schedule of levies be presented to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. - Carried MOTION 4 That the management fee for the financial year ending 31 August 2003 be agreed at \$21,500.00 with the charges for postage, photocopying, stationery etc be set at \$4700.00. - Carried

SP52948 – Angry note from EC members in email to BCS Strata Management about their poor services on 9<sup>th</sup> of October 2011

We are fast getting to the end of our tether with your organization. The level of service is poor and SP52948 EC members cop it in the neck from 219 owners who want answers.

We go to an AGM on 19 October and the current feedback from owners is not good and a number of owners are requesting a change of managing agent. We are struggling to get fast accurate information and the last straw is out of office email messages from our nominated manager.

We are quite literally fed up with the amount of time we have had to spend querying errors, slapdash accounting and correcting simple basic notices to owners. We now find the manager concerned is on leave till two days before our AGM. There are a number of outstanding legitimate queries that we need answers in detail well before the AGM.

We have put your local office on notice (see below) - we need an immediate fee reduction, service level agreements and adherence and real commitment or there will be very certain unrest and a move to change managing agents at the AGM.

Greg Freeman from Pica Group (parent company of BCS Strata Management) agreeing contract renewal without tender by offering alleged loyalty discount from \$33,499.00 to \$29,900.00 per annum on 10<sup>th</sup> of October 2011

From: Greg Freeman

Sent: Monday, 10 October 2011 7:45 PM

To: SP52948 EC member

Cc: Jason Starr-Thomas; Paul Banoob

Subject: RE: SP 52948 Action items relating to the upcoming AGM immediately Attachments: SP 52948 Proxy.doc; sp52948 trial balance at 29-9-2011.pdf

Thank you for your time today.

Confirming Paul Banoob is arranging and sending you:

- 1. The full financial statement FYE 30-8-2011 including notes. FYI, The full notes were provided by BCMS to the external auditor however their report sent back to BCMS excluded these items and only provided limited financial information??
- 2. A Full cash payments book report for both the administrative fund and sinking fund that will show all expenditure and charges from each fund for your financial year just ended
- 3. Copies of the most recent tax return including An explanation from BCMS regarding the tax expenditure (income tax paid) in the financial accounts. Apparently your scheme had 3 years term deposit / investment account
- 4. A complete set of registered by laws
- 5. report on insurances claims lodged and claim amounts

Paul advises the report on insurances claims lodged and claim amounts received may take a few days.

# **Proxies**

As agreed all proxies need to be received by BCS (as delegated secretary) 24 hours prior to the meeting and Paul Banoob's team will vet them.

# I have attached

- · the preferred proxy BCMS uses for its large strata schemes.
- · The levy arrears report as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2011. This includes adjustments to 4 further lots that owed less than \$3

As agreed once you have checked the above financials and provided Paul with your explanatory note on the financials that you wish to accompany to Paul, he will send this proxy, the more comprehensive financials and your note and proxy to your owners as a meeting addendum.

<u>Rebate on the contractual management(Agreed Services) fee between BCMS and The Owners of SP 52948</u>

As your current management between Body Corporate Management Services Pty Ltd (BCMS) and The Owners of SP 52948 will stay on foot.

On behalf of Body Corporate Management Services Pty Ltd (BCMS) (one of the PICA Group of companies), as NSW state manager we herby agree to provide the Owners of SP 52948 a loyalty discount in effect reducing the agreed services fee ( base management fee) from its current \$33499.00 + GST per annum to \$29,900 + GST per annum for the financial year commencing on  $1^{st}$  September 2011.

SP52948 – EC members complaining about loyalty discount not applied for two years on 31st of January 2013

They miscalculated the losses to owners corporation:

Agreed discount was from \$33,499.00 (plus GST) to \$29,900.00 (plus GST) per annum, making it \$7,198.00 (plus GST) for two years, not \$1,500.00.

Sent: Thursday, 31 January 2013 12:47 AM

To: Peter Bone

Cc: Paul Banoob

Subject: RE: QUOTES AND ESTIMATES REQUESTED: SP52948 projects in 2013 and forward

Peter,

I agree with Paul that my understanding was the fees should have remained the same for two years (ie the annual increase was waived) but then applied in subsequent years. That's what I reported to owners and while its small biscuits (the amount is around \$1500) will

# SP52948 - BCS Strata Management failed to sign the Tenderer's Declaration at AGM 2014

Full Name of Tenderer: BCS Body Corporate Services Request for Tender Number (if applicable):

I/We,

Being an authorised representative offer to supply/provide/perform the Services, as specified in the SP52948 Request for Tender, at the prices, fees, rates & charges tendered in Services, Fees, and Charges, and in accordance with the Conditions set out in the Strata Management Agency Agreement listed in Notice for Annual General Meeting 2014.

I/We also declare that all the information contained in the submitted Strata Management Agency Agreement are true and correct in every respect.

I/We also warrant that I/We are duly authorised by our business entity to complete, sign and lodge Strata Management Agency Agreement for and on behalf of our business entity.

- 1. The Tender remains open for acceptance by SP52948 for the Offer Period, or until \_\_\_\_ (which is beyond the expiry of the Offer Period).
- 2. I/We warrant that:

# Ethical Dealing:

- a. The Tenderer has not engaged in misleading or deceptive conduct in relation to its Tender or the Tender Process;
- b. there are no false or misleading statements in the Tender;
- c. the Tender has not been prepared using improper assistance of any SP52948 owner, employee, contractor, agent, or member of the Executive Committee, or using information obtained unlawfully or in breach of an obligation of confidentiality to SP52948;
- d. neither the Tenderer, nor any related entity, including their respective officers, employees, agents and subcontractors have engaged in any collusive tendering, anti-competitive conduct or any similar behaviour with any other Tenderer or any other person in relation to the preparation or lodgement of Tenders;
- e. neither the Tenderer, nor any related entity, including their respective officers, employees, agents or subcontractors has attempted or will attempt to improperly influence an officer, employee, adviser, owner, or agent of SP52948 in connection with the evaluation of Tenders, nor has any such person approached any member of the Executive Committee, employee,

contractor, agent, or owner concerning the Tender process, other than the owners corporation representative;

# Conflict of Interest:

- f. no conflict of interest existed in the past or currently, or is likely to arise in relation to the Tenderer, any related entity, or their respective officers, employees, agents or subcontractors which would affect the performance of the Services by the Tenderer, and the Tenderer will immediately inform the OC in writing of any such actual or potential conflict of interest upon becoming aware of such conflict;
- g. no conflict of interest existed in the past or currently, or is likely to arise in relation to offering improper of privileged services to any SP52948 owner, employee, contractor, agent, or member of the Executive Committee:

# Confidential Information:

h. the Tenderer and its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors involved in preparing the Tender have not and will not disclose to any other person Confidential Information of SP52948 acquired or obtained in the course of preparing the Tender, other than for the purpose of preparing its Tender; and

# Anti-competitive Conduct:

i. the Tenderer, any related entity, or their respective officers, employees, agents and subcontractors, are not currently, and have not in the previous 10 years, been subject to or involved in any investigations, sanctions, court proceedings, audits and the like in relation to anti-competitive conduct, bribery, or corruption. Except as detailed below (if applicable).

Signed on Behalf of BCS

SP52948 – EC members complaining to BCS Strata Management about secret insurance commissions that were not disclosed to owners or logged in financials on 7<sup>th</sup> of November 2014

Sent: Friday, November 07, 2014 11:38 AM

Subject: Rebate of insurance commission

Russell,

I note that the draft AGM notice discloses that BCS received a commission for placing our insurance in the last year. Please arrange to have this credited to the Owners Corporation insurance expense account immediately. It is a feature of our current management agreement that no commissions are payable as we increased the fees to accommodate this.

I am disappointed that we should discover that a commission has been received as the management representation letter and accounts did not disclose this.

The amount is \$1,700.00.

Please confirm that this will be attended to before issue of AGM notices as this is a very sore point with many owners and I will require to explain that the recovery will happen in the present financial year.

# SP52948 - Minutes of the AGM held on 26<sup>th</sup> of November 2014 approved Uniqueco Property Services and BCS Strata Management contract renewals without proper tenders

# MOTION 6:

That in accordance with Section 40A of the Act, Uniqueco Pty Ltd is appointed as a caretaker on terms and conditions to be converted to a legally binding contract for a minimum period of two years commencing 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 ("Caretaker Agreement") that give effect to the tender submitted (with a cost for calendar 2015 of \$289,000) and such reasonable commercial arrangements determined by the Executive Committee regarding payment and delivery of these services. — Carried.

# MOTION 7:

That in accordance with Section 40A of the Act Universal Strata Services Pty Ltd is reappointed as a caretaker on terms and conditions to be converted to a legally binding contract for a minimum period of two years commencing 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 ("Caretaker Agreement") that give effect to the tender submitted (with a cost for calendar 2015 of \$322,560) and such reasonable commercial arrangements determined by the Executive Committee regarding payment and delivery of these services. — **Defeated.** 

# MOTION 8:

That the terms and conditions of the Caretaker Agreement be amended to not require personnel to be on-site during the hours of 3 am to 5 am nightly (with a consequent reduction in tender price in the case of Uniqueco Pty Ltd to \$270,000 or in the case of Universal Strata Services Pty Ltd to \$272,256). — Defeated.

# MOTION 9:

- (a) That the Owners Corporation engage a solicitor to draw up a legally binding contract to give effect to the commercial terms of the Caretaker Agreement as amended by preceding motions, the costs of which are to be shared between the Owners Corporation and the company determined by preceding motions. The Executive Committee shall direct the Solicitor in the engagement in relation to the acceptability of commercial and legal terms of the contract to be executed.
- (b) That the Owners Corporation execute the Caretaker Agreement to give effect to the appointment of the company selected and at the tender price determined by the outcome of preceding motions.
- (c) That the common seal of the Owners Corporation be fixed by Body Corporate Services, in accordance with Section 238 of the Act to the Caretaker Agreement. Carried.

The new contract was awarded to a member of the staff of the Universal Strata Care, who had full knowledge of the expenses charged by his employer. In essence, it was insider-bidding. Since May 2014, by new caretaker's own admission, BCS Strata Management had been aware of the intent by him to tender against his employer and made no effort to run independent tendering that includes companies not involved in the management of the complex. The increase of the contract amounted to well above 16%.

SP52948 – Ryan Strata offered superior strata management services on 10<sup>th</sup> of May and 27<sup>th</sup> of lune 2016

Competitive tender for renewal contract for Strata Management was received by Ryan Strata in May and June 2016, which were officially submitted to BCS Strata Management and EC members for the next general meeting. They offered improved services, at an all-inclusive price of \$32,500.00, or at lower base rate of \$25,000.00 per year (with a schedule of reasonably priced disbursements).

Based on partially disclosed invoices by BCS Strata Management in FY 2015/2016, owners corporation paid them \$50,700.02.



# STRATA MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL



SP 52948 1-15 Fontenoy Road, Macquarie Park NSW

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elise@ryanstrata.com.au ABN 25290364166





\$100.00;

- We charge a set fee of \$10.00 to supply a certificate of currency, whereas BCS charge \$33.00;
- Not to mention the many items which they charge for, which are included in our fees

We appreciate your consideration, and are happy to answer any further questions you may have either in person, via phone or email. Feel free to contact us on 0402488864 or elise@ryanstrata.com.au.

Yours Sincerely,

Elise Ryan

Managing Director

At Ryan Strata Management we guarantee

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- To be contactable daily and have your calls and emails returned within 24 hours.
- No lock in contracts
- No hidden charges
- Transparency in all of our services that we provide.
- . To tailor our approach to the needs of your building
- We arrange a minimum 3 quotes for all work, especially any Items over \$5,000.00
- We price many of our disbursements, which other companies charge varying rates for, at cost price and are happy to provide receipts for these items
- We will help you through the changeover process

# Summary of Offering for SP:

- We are offering a strata management fee of \$32,500.00 per annum all inclusive of disbursements.
- . Our schedule of fees are attached, and we price many Items at cost price or included where other companies charge, which brings down the overall disbursements cost considerably
- . We are happy to provide either a fixed term contract, or one which can be terminated at any time given 90 days written notice

# SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES

Item	Charge	Units
Maintenance / Repairs		

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Issue work order	Included	
Arrange OH&S report	Included	
Arrange fire safety inspection	Included	
Arrange sinking fund forecast	Included	
Arrange building inspection and reports	Included	
Arrange minimum 3 quotes for repair and	Included	
maintenance		
Manage building defects	\$58	Per hour
Maintenance of Administrative &		
Sinking Funds		
Arrange for preparation of sinking fund	Included	
budgets		
Prepare Information for submission of BAS	Included	
statements by a registered tax agent (If		
scheme registered for GST)		
Liaise with Tax Agent in relation to	Included	
preparation of annual tax return		I
Rectifying deficiencies in records at	Included	
takeover of management		
Provide monthly financial statements	Included	
Provide non-current year financials	Included	
Processing stop payments, dishonoured	\$15	Per payment
cheques or direct debit for levy payments	*	· · · puju
Levies		
Issue levy reminder notice	510	Per notice (recoverable
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Standard disbursements (local telephone	Included	
calls and routine postage, photocopying,		
printing, faxing and stationary)		
Courier	At cost	Per Item
Express and registered postage	At cost	
Laminating	Included	Per page
Minute books	Included	Per book
Photocopying and printing (additional)	Included	Per page
Email	Included	
Scanning	Included	
Electronic document management	Included	
Secretarial		
Replacement certificate of title	At cost	Per certificate
Certificate under Section 109	Statutory	Per certificate
	charge	
Inspecting records	Statutory	Per inspection
	charge	
Providing title or other searches	At cost	Per search
Register by-laws	At cost	Per registration
Issue notice to comply	Included	
Issue common property key / security	At cost	Per key
device		
Prepare and supply information at request	Included	
of owner		
Regulatory Compliance (where		
applicable)		
Annual cooling tower certificate	At cost	Per certificate
Annual fire safety certificate / fire orders	At cost	Per certificate Per
		certificate
Annual lift certification	At cost	
Swimming pool compliance certificate –	At cost	Per certificate
register and arrange certification with		
council / private certifier		
Registering for National Broadband	At cost	
Network Installation	1	







Full Name of Tenderer: BCS Body Corporate Services Request for Tender Number (if applicable):

I/We.

Being an authorised representative offer to supply/provide/perform the Services, as specified in the SP52948 Request for Tender, at the prices, fees, rates & charges tendered in Services, Fees, and Charges, and in accordance with the Conditions set out in the Strata Management Agency Agreement listed in Notice for Annual General Meeting 2014.

I/We also declare that all the information contained in the submitted Strata Management Agency Agreement are true and correct in every respect.

I/We also warrant that I/We are duly authorised by our business entity to complete, sign and lodge Strata Management Agency Agreement for and on behalf of our business entity.

- The Tender remains open for acceptance by SP52948 for the Offer Period, or until \_\_\_\_\_
   (which is beyond the expiry of the Offer Period).
- I/We warrant that:

#### Ethical Dealing:

- The Tenderer has not engaged in misleading or deceptive conduct in relation to its Tender or the Tender Process:
- there are no false or misleading statements in the Tender;
- the Tender has not been prepared using improper assistance of any SP52948 owner, employee, contractor, agent, or member of the Executive Committee, or using information obtained unlawfully or in breach of an obligation of confidentiality to SP52948;
- neither the Tenderer, nor any related entity, including their respective officers, employees, agents and subcontractors have engaged in any collusive tendering, anti-competitive conduct or any similar behaviour with any other Tenderer or any other person in relation to the preparation or lodgement of Tenders;
- e. neither the Tenderer, nor any related entity, including their respective officers, employees, agents or subcontractors has attempted or will attempt to improperly influence an officer, employee, adviser, owner, or agent of SP52948 in connection with the evaluation of Tenders, nor has any such person approached any member of the Executive Committee, employee, contractor, agent, or owner concerning the Tender process, other than the owners corporation representative;

## Conflict of Interest:

- f. no conflict of interest existed in the past or currently, or is likely to arise in relation to the Tenderer, any related entity, or their respective officers, employees, agents or subcontractors which would affect the performance of the Services by the Tenderer, and the Tenderer will immediately inform the OC in writing of any such actual or potential conflict of interest upon becoming aware of such conflict;
- no conflict of interest existed in the past or currently, or is likely to arise in relation to offering improper of privileged services to any SP52948 owner, employee, contractor, agent, or member of the Executive Committee;

## Confidential Information:

 the Tenderer and its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors involved in preparing the Tender have not and will not disclose to any other person Confidential Information of SP52948 acquired or obtained in the course of preparing the Tender, other than for the purpose of preparing its Tender; and

# Anti-competitive Conduct:

i. the Tenderer, any related entity, or their respective officers, employees, agents and subcontractors, are not currently, and have not in the previous 10 years, been subject to or involved in any investigations, sanctions, court proceedings, audits and the like in relation to anti-competitive conduct, bribery, or corruption. Except as detailed below (if applicable).

Signed on Behalf of BCS

# 27. REAPPOINTMENT OF MANAGING AGENT:

Motion

That in accordance with section 27(1) of the Strata Schemes Management Act 1996 (Act) that:

- (a) BCS Strata Management Pty Ltd trading as Body Corporate Services be appointed as strata managing agent of Strata Scheme No. 52948, total cost being \$29,000.00 plus \$6,996.00 (disbursements) Total = \$35,996.00 INCL. GST;
- (b) the Owners Corporation delegate to the Agent all of the functions of:
  - the Owners Corporation (other than those listed in section 28(3) of the Act);
     and
  - (ii) its chairperson, treasurer, secretary and Executive Committee, necessary to enable the Agent to carry out the 'agreed services' and the 'additional services' as defined in the written agreement, a copy of which was attached to the notice of the meeting at which this resolution was passed (Agreement);
- the delegation to the Agent is to be subject to the conditions and limitations in the Agreement; and
- the Owners Corporation execute the Agreement to give effect to this appointment and delegation; and
- authority be given for the common seal of the Owners Corporation to be affixed to the Agreement in accordance with Section 238 of the Act.

#### Explanatory Note

The motion above is the standard motion for the Owners Corporation to appoint BCS as the managing agent for the strata scheme. The motion includes those functions that are to be delegated to the managing agent. A copy of the proposed Management Agreement is attached.

# 28. APPOINTMENT OF WARATAH STRATA:

Motion

The Owners Corporation consider the appointment of Waratah Strata Management at \$21,800.00 + Disbursements \$13,300.00 = \$35,100.00 inclusive of GST.

<u>Comments:</u> Please note the third proposal (lowest quote of the lot) has just recently commenced business and does not have the infrastructure to manage a complex of our size and therefore has not been considered.

AGM 2016 was conducted without valid quorum.

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  - (b) the Owners Corporation delegate to the Agent all of the functions of:
  - (i) the Owners Corporation (other than those listed in section 28(3) of the Act); and
  - (ii) its chairperson, treasurer, secretary and Executive Committee, necessary to enable the Agent to carry out the 'agreed services' and the 'additional services' as defined in the written agreement, a copy of which was attached to the notice of the meeting at which this resolution was passed (Agreement);
  - the delegation to the Agent is to be subject to the conditions and limitations in the Agreement;
  - the Owners Corporation execute the Agreement to give effect to this appointment and delegation;
  - (e) authority be given for the common seal of the Owners Corporation to be affixed to the Agreement in accordance with Section 238 of the Act.

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DEFEATED 10 voted Yes, 50 voted No

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APPROVED

49 voted Yes, 11 voted No

CLOSURE: There being no further business, the chairperson declared the meeting closed at 10:10pm.

SP52948 – Contract with Waratah Strata Management signed by two EC members who could not prove they were financial owners and increased base value from \$21,800.00 to \$23,110.00 without owners knowledge on  $14^{\rm th}$  of December 2016

Mr. Moses Levitt (Lot 147) and Mr. Stan Pogorelsky (lot 181), who did not offer evidence that they were financial, increased its value to \$23,110.00 (GST inclusive), without owners corporation knowledge:





# STRATA MANAGEMENT AGENCY AGREEMENT

# **DATE 14 DECEMBER 2016**

The Owners - Strata Plan 52948

"Owners Corporation"

Attention: The Secretary

Address: 1-15 FONTENOY ROAD MACQUARIE PARK

Phone:

ABN:

Facsimile:

Email:

# The Agent – WARATAH STRATA MANAGEMENT PTY LTD

Attention: The Licensee

Address: P.O. Box 125, Eastwood NSW 2122

Phone:

02 9114 9599

ABN: 75 161 033 745

Facsimile: 02 9114 9598

SCA (NSW) Membership No: 11539

Email: en

enquiry@waratahstrata.com.au

Licence No: 10008316

# **Particulars**

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item 1	Professional indemnity	Amount Insured \$2,000,000
Item 2	Commencement date	1 February 2017
Item 3	Term	14 Months
Item 4	Review date	in relation to agreed services - At each AGM following Commencement date
	:	in relation to additional services rates - At each AGM following Commencement date
		in relation to charges - At each AGM following Commencement date
Item 5	Percentage increase p.a	5% or as agreed at each AGM
Item 6	Agreed services fee p.a	(complete one of the below options)
		Option 1 - \$23,110.00 plus rebates, discounts and commissions in Disclosure Schedule
		C1 and C2 - Agent retains all commissions (refer to clause 3.3(a))
		or
		Option 2 - \$ plus rebates, discounts and commissions in Disclosure Schedule C2
		- Agent retains some commissions (refer to clause 3.3(b))
		or
		Option 3 - \$ - Agent not entitled to commissions or the fee as described in
		clause 3.3(c)
		All fees under this agreement are GST INCLUSIVE (clause 9)
item 7	Fee payment method	Monthly In Advance
Item 8	Manner of accounting	Financial Statements - Trust Account Statements as required by Act
		Frequency of Accounting – Monthly
		Provided Online or Upon Request
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# STRATA MANAGEMENT AGENCY AGREEMENT

Signatures				
Owners Corporation				
The common seal of the owners corporation was affixed on 14 December 2016 in the presence of:    Where   White   Signature				
Being the person(s) authorised by section 272 of the Act to  Agent	attest the affixing of the seal.			
	or 127 of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) in the presence of:			
Signature of Authorlsed Person  Pobert Cros6	Signature of Authorised Person			
Name of Authorised Person	Name of Authorised Person			
Service				
The owners corporation acknowledges receipt of a copy of this agreem 8 for IMPORTANT NOTES to the parties when executing this agreement.	nent within 48 hours of execution by the owners corporation (refer to page ent).			
STANLEY POGORELSKY	15 govelskup			
Name of Signatory	Signature			

SP52948 – Unfinancial EC members Mr Stan Pogorelsky and Mr. Moses Levitt running secret meetings without agenda and minutes being sent to owners to discuss BCS Strata Management contract renewal before AGM in 2016 – Solicitor Adrian Mueller and Waratah Strata Management prevented this motion from AGM on 24<sup>th</sup> of October 2017

Motion: Confirm undisclosed payments to BCS Strata Management for non-compliant EC meetings in 2016

The Owners Corporation SP52948 by ORDINARY RESOLUTION, confirms the following:

- \$935.00 paid to BCS Strata Management for meetings that did not comply with proper organization of EC meetings in accordance with SSMA 1996 (agenda not sent to owners prior to meetings, and minutes of EC meetings not sent to owners),
- BCS Strata Management shall reimburse owners corporation (compensation claim due to professional negligence) in full amount of \$935.00 for failing to act in best interest of owners corporation, acting in non-compliance with SSMA 1996 on how to organize EC meetings, and charging owners corporation for private gatherings
- Minutes of EC meeting held straight after AGM 2016 on 19th of October 2016 confirmed that last valid EC meeting was on 20th of April 2016,
- To the extent of any inconsistency with previous by-laws or motions, this motion prevails.

Explanatory Notes:

- BCS invoice dated 19th of October 2016:
- BCS invoice dated 19th of October 2016:

OY ROAD PARK NSW 2113

Details
Services as per attached schedule

GST Payable

Total Due (inclusive of GST)

Value

\$850.00

\$935.00

Additional Services Schedule for Tax Invoice (F1111399803)						
Date	Person	Description	Units	Rate	Chargeable Amt	Invoice Amt
18/10/2016	SBI	Attend 3 meetings with Members of the Executive Committee	50	\$17.000	\$850.00	\$850.00
Total Fees \$850.00				\$850.00		

BCS Strata Management analysis of why they lost contract with SP52948 on 21st of November 2016 confirming that EC members had no intention to change them



## LOST SCHEME DETAILS

Division: NSW	Branch: Epping	Current PICA Manager: SIMON BRIKHA		Start:
Scheme No: 5294	8	Previous PICA Manager: GARY MILLS		Start:
PICA Start date: 01/07/2011 No.		No.	of Lots:219	No. of Units: 219
Building Name:			Building Type: SPF	
Address: 2-4 Telopea Street Telopea				
Current Man. Fee: \$35,535 ex GST Current Fixed/Bundled Dish: \$506			isb: \$506.57 ex GST	
Expiry Date of Agreement:			Date Management will Cease: 31/1/2017	
New Agent Details				
Name: Waratah Strata Address: P.O. Box 125, Eastwood NSW 2122 Phone: (02) Email:			New Management Fee: \$	
		Ī	New Fixed/Bundled Disb: \$	
		Ī	Term of new agreement:	
			Why did they choose this agent:	
Contact Person at the Building:				
Name: Stan Pogorelsky				
Address: Lot 151/1-15 Fontenoy Road North Ryde Phone:				

PERCENTAGE ATTRIBUTED TO LOSS

# **Managers Comments:**

@ozemail.com.au REASON FOR LOSING SCHEME

Email:

# Can you elaborate on the circumstances surrounding the loss of this scheme.

The Executive Committee advised myself and my branch manager Mike Smythe that they were very satisfied with my services, however, they wanted to go with a smaller Strata Managing Agency. I don't know who true this statement is because the Strata Manager that they have gone to is a former BCS employee and this is the second Strata Plan that he has taken from my portfolio. He was the previous Strata Manager of the portfolio that I currently manage.

Was a strata brokerage company involved in the loss of this scheme? (e.g. Strata Match) Strata Broker name:

Nο

## Please outline the process used to manage the retention of this scheme.

The branch manager and I attended several Pre-AGM meetings with the EC and did absolutely everything possibly to retain this property. When I asked the EC if our re-election was in doubt, the answer I received was a "No". So I personally did not think we had any danger of losing this property.

# What was the Risk Rating, 3 months prior to the loss?

Low

## **Customer Care:**

Date of last contact with client?

14/11/2016

# Outcome of the contact?

Resolved to send out a letter to Council and the matter was settled in a satisfactory method.

Community Utilities – Is there a separate utilities agreement? NO

# SP52948 – Unfinancial EC member Mr. Stan Pogorelsky confirmed BCS Strata Management had provided very poor services on 27<sup>th</sup> of April 2017

n: Stan Pogorelsky < @ozemail.com.au>

nt: Thursday, 27 April 2017 12:16 PM

**ro:** Robert Crosbie; Mo Levitt **Subject:** FW: SP 52948 - Gas Charges

Attachments: Financial Status Report\_20170201091851.pdf; S & T Pogorelsky - Gas charges paid

from 1998 to 2015 Strata Plan 52948.xlsx; Stan Pogorelsky - Additional Gas Outlet Installation - Unit 181 Stan & Tessa Pogorelsky.pdf; Stan Pogorelsky - Gas bill for

the period 1-8-16 to 31-10-16.docx

Hi Rob,

I have attached various things regarding my gas accounts.

Have a look at the xl sheet that I prepared.

I believe that I am completely up to date with my payments.

This is one of the reasons that we could not continue with BCS. They could never pin point anything and you would deal with one person and before you knew it they had someone else.

Perhaps you could ask BCS to give you a schedule of gas recoveries by year......They should be able to give it to you. Best Regards,

Stan.

# SP52948 - Waratah Strata Management prevented Motion about their prior relationship with BCS Strata Management at AGM on 24<sup>th</sup> of October 2017

Motion: Confirm prior relationship between Waratah Strata Management and BCS Strata Management

The Owners Corporation SP52948 by ORDINARY RESOLUTION, confirms the following:

- BCS Strata Management and EC members did not disclose prior relationship between Director at Waratah Strata Management and BCS Strata Management at AGM 2016,
- BCS Strata Management and EC members failed to disclose to owners that Director of Waratah Strata
  Management was interviewed by members of the Executive Committee prior to Waratah Strata
  Management being nominated as the new strata managers at the AGM 2016. During that interview it was
  discussed that Mr. Simon Wicks was one of their employees who had managed SP52948 with poor
  performance in 2011,
- BC Strata Management and EC members failed to disclose to owners that Mr. Simon Wicks was planned to be Strata Manager for SP52948 if the event that Waratah Strata Management wins the contract at AGM 2016,
- BCS Strata Management and EC members failed to disclose to owners corporation number of references to Mr. Simon Wicks and his actions in 2015 and 2016 alone,
- BCS Strata Management staff confirmed in email on 23<sup>th</sup> of December 2016 that new Strata Managing Agent for SP52948 was Mr. Simon Wicks, who was an employee of BCS Strata Management and removed from managing SP52948 after around six-month period before AGM 2011.

SP52948 – Waratah Strata Management prevented competitive offer from another strata and building management service provider from being listed in motions at AGM 2017



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# THIS IS NOT JUNK MAIL...

Hello, we just wanted to take the chance to introduce Complete Building Management Group.

For 7 years we have been experiencing rapid growth in the Strata industry across Australia and New Zealand, our core focus revolves around Building Management and Caretaking Services. We offer a complete service that can manage every aspect of your property.

As we are looking to acquire contracts in your area, we thought it would be a great idea to give you a brief insight into our Company.

During the past 7 years we have structured our Company in a way that continuously benefits our Clients. We have managed to lower strata fees and maintenance expenses for all our Clients within the first 12 months. One of the ways we accomplish this through preventative maintenance rather than reactive maintenance. All our Staff receive constant on going training to ensure we always offer our Clients the best service possible.

We utilise specialty equipment when it comes to maintenance. Some Building Management companies will use fire hoses to wash out car parks, this is not only a breach of fire legislation but the local council and or EPA can impose fines for washing car park contents into storm water. At Complete Building Management Group, we use specialty machines that not only remove the dirt from the car park safely, these machines also scrub the car park surface and remove oil stains at the same time. Using a leaf blower can deposit dust into light fittings, smoke detectors and other essential assets. This is only usually carried out by inexperienced Contractors.

Unlike other Companies, we also use specialty pool cleaning equipment which prolongs the life of pool filters and filter media rather than using the conventional method which leads to more frequent backwashing of pool filters. This will increase the financial outlay on pool chemicals.

With Complete Building Management Group, we strive to provide fixed rate contracts, our prices will never increase by the CPI. Sources indicate that Macquarie Gardens, since 1999 has had an increase of approximately 30% for Caretaking services. (Source: Online correspondence)

We are so confident in the service we provide, we offer to beat any competitors price by 15% minimum.

In most cases, we can also arrange to retain the current staff employed on site if required.

There are several ways we can reduce the financial outlay for strata properties and would appreciate the chance to meet with the Committee and discuss our methods in greater detail. Please feel free to contact us on 1300 73 62 61 or by email operations@completebmg.com.au should you have any questions or would like to arrange a meeting with our Operations Managers.

We look forward to hopefully hearing from you soon.

# SP52948 – AGM on 24<sup>th</sup> of October 2017 approved Waratah Strata Management contract renewal without tender or disclosure of its increased value

AGM 2017 was conducted in non-compliance with SSMA 2015 and SSMR 2016:

# APPOINTMENT OF STRATA MANAGING AGENT

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Resolved that Waratah Strata Management (herein called 'the Agent') be appointed as the Managing Agent of the Owners Corporation in Strata Plan 52948 and that any two owners or Strata Committee members be authorised to sign the Management Agreement tabled at the Meeting on behalf of the Owners Corporation and further to attest the affixing of the common seal on that agreement, which agreement incorporates instruments pursuant to section 49(1) of the Strata Schemes Management Act 2015 appointing the Agent and delegating all the functions of the Owners Corporation and its Strata Committee and the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the Strata Committee and of the Owners Corporation, other than the power to do anything referred to in section 52(2) of the Act.

SP52948 - Contract with Waratah Strata Management signed by two EC members who could not prove they were financial owners on the same evening when AGM was conducted on 24th of October 2017 and increasing base value to \$24,310.00





	4 October 2017	경우 사람들의 경우 기계 있는데			
The O	wners – Strata Pla	an 52948 "Ow	ners Corporation"		
Attention:	The Secretary	<u> </u>	<u>An Calendar Agains an Line II an Aire</u>		
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The Ag	gent — WARATAH S	TRATA MANAGEME	NT PTY LTD		
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Facsimile:	02 9114 9598		SCA (NSW) Membership No: 11539		
Email:	enquiry@waratahstrata.co	m.au	Licence No: 10008316	f y	
Particu	ılars				
Item 1	Professional indemnity	Amount Insured \$2,000,0	000		
Item 2	Commencement date	1 April 2018		_	
Item 3	Term	23 Months		. =	
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itelli 0	Agreed services ree p.a	' '	lus rebates, discounts and commissions in	Disclosure Schedule C1 and C2	
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		or			
		Option 2 - \$ pl	us rebates, discounts and commissions in [	Disclosure-Schedule C2 - Agent	

All fees under this agreement are GST INCLUSIVE (clause 9)

Financial Statements - Trust Account Statements as required by Act

Fee payment method

Manner of accounting

Item 7

Item 8

Option 3 - \$

Frequency of Accounting - Monthly Provided Online or Upon Request

3.3(c)

- Agent not entitled to commissions or the fee as described in clause

# Signatures

Owners Corporation	
The common seal of the owners corporation was affixed	ed on 24 October 2017 in the presence of:
Bogorelle 5	Signature PRISTOR
S. POGORELSKY	M. LEVITT.  Name  STEAM
STRATA COMMITTEE	Thata Caucathe Make Designation
Being the person(s) authorised by section 273 of the	ne Act to attest the affixing of the seal.
Agent	
Executed by the agent in accordance with Sect	tion 126 or 127 of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) in the presence of:
Signature of Authorised Person  Hobert Crosbie	Signature of Authorised Person
Name of Authorised Person	Name of Authorised Person
Service	
8 for IMPORTANT NOTES to the parties when executing this	$\mathcal{M}$ $\mathcal{A}^{p}$ $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A})$
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Name of Signatory	Signature

Meeting did not comply with SSMA 2015 and SSMR 2016.

# Extract from agenda:

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[Explanatory Note: Section 50 of the Strata Schemes Management Act 2015 restricts management agreements to a maximum term of 3 years from the date of appointment and requires the owners corporation to be notified at least 3 months before the end of the agreement. The proposed agreement is for 2 - 2 1/2 years to allow the agreement to be discussed and renewed at every second Annual General Meeting. A copy of the management agreement will be tabled at the meeting or is able to be provided by email upon request.]

#### 14 ADDITIONAL GAS POINT CHARGES

That the Owners Corporation will take no further action to investigate or audit the history of additional gas point charges and all lots are deemed to be paid in full.

Explanatory Note: Due to repeated public allegations that have been made by the owners of Lot 158 in relation to the charges that have been made to those owners with additional gas outlets, the strata manager and strata committee have conducted a thorough investigation of the available records going back to 1999. Stan Pogorelsky, owner of Lot 181, provided a detailed history of all relevant invoices he had received from Raine & Horne Strata, BCS Strata and Waratah Strata and of all payments made. As a result of that review it has been found that Lot 181 has not been issued with gas point charge invoices of \$55 for the quarter 1/12/15 - 28/2/16 and \$55 for the quarter 1/6/16 - 31/8/16. A further \$18.34 was short paid during 2015. In summary Lot 181 has short paid \$128.34 of which \$110 has never been invoiced.

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# SP52948 – Master contract admin expenses for Strata Manager in period FY 2014 to 2020 (GST exclusive)

FY (1 September to 31 August)	Amount
2014	\$53,835.00
2015	\$52,683.00
2016	\$50,684.00
2017	\$49,898.00
2018	\$43,919.00
2019	\$46,914.00
2020	\$43,190.00

### SP52948 - O'Brien Criminal & Civil Solicitor request on 24th of April 2020

As requested in O'Brien Criminal & Legal Solicitors since 24 April 2020, owners were notified that a response would be prepared to them at EC meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2020:

Legal advice regarding Lot 158, including acceptance of barrister fee proposal - Subject to amendments required to the content of the costs agreement, the strata manager is instructed to sign the costs agreement under common seal for and on behalf of the Owners Corporation. The barrister is also to be requested to respond to the letter received from O'Brien Criminal & Civil Solicitors on behalf of Lot 158.

SP52948 – Master contract admin expenses for Strata Manager in period FY 2014 to 2020 (GST exclusive)

### Building Manager Contracts 1999 to 2020

SP52948 – Raine & Horne Strata Sydney (later became part of BCS Strata Management) and EC members promoted cleaners to become new caretakers without tender at EC meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> of July 1999

#### 8. Change of Caretaker

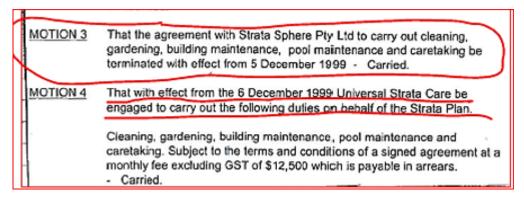
Strata Sphere have recently not been able to permanently fill the position of Caretaker. Frank the current Caretaker has accepted a position with Harry from Security.

It has been proposed and agreed that Ruth take on the position of Caretaker which is a positive move as Ruth is known to a number of the residents and is familiar with the layout of the complex.

In connection with the contract with Strata Sphere it was noted that it includes the provision for two full time persons together with part time work in respect of pool cleaning and a horticulturalists. It was felt the provision of this personnel is not currently totally provided and the situation is to be addressed by Strata Sphere.

Annual General Meeting was held on 29<sup>th</sup> of September 1999 but no change of the Caretaker was listed or request for tender submitted. This will, as it turns out later, become standard operating procedure for the Executive Committee and Raine and Horne Strata Sydney – no contracts or tenders for all major contracts were ever presented or voted at Annual General Meetings, even those worth around guarter of million dollars a year.

SP52948 – Contract with Universal Strata Care without tender or owners decision at AGM, approved at paper EC meeting (without owners) valued at \$150,000.00 (plus GST) per year on 3<sup>rd</sup> of November 1999



The contract with the new Caretaker in December 1999 increased by more than 33% without any tender, or decision at the general meeting (which was against the SSMA 1996 Section 80B).

FY	1999	2000
Caretaker	\$14,395.00	\$93,062.00
Cleaning	\$47,571.00	
Gardening	\$37,044.00	\$39,469.00
Security	\$80,641.00	\$80,968.00
Total	\$179,651.00	\$213,499.00

Contract for Security was originally given to another company (separate contract) at the Executive Committee meeting on 24th of June 1998 and it was not part of the contract granted to Caretaker.

# SP52948 – EC meeting decision to seek other tenders for security services contract on 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2000

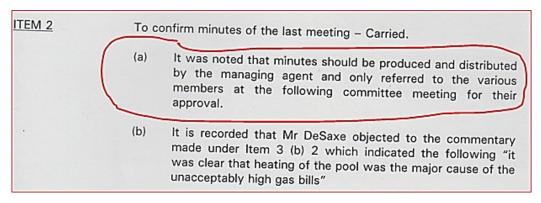
TEM 8	To consider the renewal of the existing contract with Bright Light Security for a period of 12 months:
	Concerns were raised that under legislation shortly to commence, that Harry would be classed as an employee of the Strata Plan, as he does not carry out work for any other enterprise.
	It was agreed that on the basis that Harry will need to be considered as an employee wider implications exist, such as the requirement for the Strata Plan to pay tax, superannuation, long service leave etc.
	It was decided that the current contract should continue on a month to month basis, with quotations being sought from other security firms which will enable the committee to more properly assess this matter.

## SP52948 - EC meeting decision to evaluate security services options on 24th of May 2000

(h) Review of existing security arrangements The existing contractor Bright Light Security Services ("BLSS")indicated in writing with effect from 1 July 2000 the fee they would require for security services including GST would total \$7695.00 per calendar month. Following consideration it was resolved that the following course of action be undertaken: That it be agreed to enter a contract for a period of six months with effect from 1July 2000. That a questionnaire be sent out to all owners (b) including various options in regard to security. This will assist the Committee in understanding the requirements of the majority of owners.

# SP52948 – Undisclosed EC meeting (agenda and minutes not sent to owners) on $2^{nd}$ of August 2000

This meeting was allegedly held only one week before Extraordinary General Meeting, without the agenda or minutes of the meeting ever sent to owners. The minutes also contained very unusual and never-seen-before-or-after note:



The alleged meeting, which was attended by six members of the EC and the strata manager, where two EC members were unfinancial due to unpaid levies for second gas connection and one

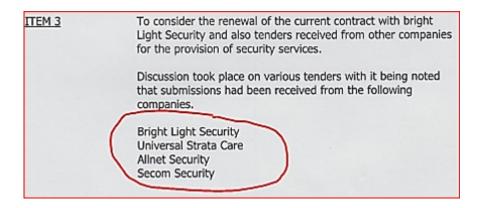
was recipient of secret water and gas reimbursements for private use without Special Resolution or Special By-Law, made the following decision:

 Security – questionnaire to be drafted asking owners for their comments to assist the committee in understanding their requirements

Resolved that the draft letter and questionnaire presented be accepted subject

To the inclusion of reference to the average annual cost per unit Owner for security of \$420.00.

At the Executive Committee meeting held on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> of December 2000, it was alleged that four quotes were tendered for security services but no details provided to any owner



SP52948 - EC meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2001, without giving any details of the tenders to owners corporation, caretaker was granted last remaining part of the main contract – security

All three other tenders were ignored, without disclosing details:

ITEM 3	Matters arising from minutes of Committee Meetings on 10 January 2001, 2 December and 15 November 2000.
	<ol> <li>Contract for security, caretaking, cleaning, gardening and pool maintenance</li> </ol>
	The contract has been granted to Universal Strata Care to undertake these duties on behalf of the Owners Corporation following:
	The competitive costings tendered by that company.
	<ul> <li>The agreement by them that licensed security personnel would be used for the evening duties.</li> </ul>
	It was noted that written confirmation has been obtained that Universal Strata Care now have two licensed security personnel who have also completed a First Ald Course.

#### FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

### RAINE & HORNE STRATA - SYDNEY

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ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

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Telephone: (02) 9868 2999 Facsimile: (02) 9868 2383 Email: strata@bcms.com.au

This business is independently owned by Body Corporate Management Services Pty Limited.

TO:	Universal Strata Care
FAX NO.:	
FROM:	John
DATE:	02/09/2004
	GES (including this one): 1
Please contact send	er immediately if all pages are not received.

COMMENTS:

Strata Paln 52948

Accounts

The invoices for the months of May/June and July were incorrect as the charges for caretaking/gardening/pool maintenance and security totalled \$20,668.75 plus gst instead of being an inclusive amount.

We have theefore had to adjust our records to account for the following for each of those months

Caretaking	\$8,678.25.
Gardening	\$3,463.69.
Pool Maint	\$4545.56.
Security	\$6120.50.

Total \$18,808.00 Gst \$1,880.80

Total \$20,688.80

An amount of \$6,206.49 will be deducted from your next payment being 3 months extra charged of \$2,068.87.

Thanks John

### SP52948 - Secret quotes for caretaker contract never disclosed to owners in 2004

In a secret document, obtained belatedly eight years later, one company tendered their proposal on 25<sup>th</sup> of February 2004 at \$238,500.00 (GST exclusive) per year. That included night security duties in hours between 5:00pm and 5:00am next morning, seven days a week, and average gardener's hours of 20 per week, The total difference between their quote and the incumbent Caretaker in 2005 was \$10,505.00 (around 5% of the full contract only), with the emphasis that the new proposal offered more services.

DUTIES: The duties to be performed by each staff member

are as listed in the tender document of 1998 with the exceptions of the change in hours as

noted on page 1 of our proposal.

SERVICES: Caretaking

Cleaning Security

Lawns & Gardens Pool maintenance

CHARGES: \$19,875.00 per calendar month

\$238,500.00 per annum

COST BREAKDOWN: Caretaker \$5666.00

Cleaning \$3166.00
Security \$7542.00
Pool services \$ 584.00
Lawns & gardens \$2917.00

TOTAL \$19.875.00

NOTES:

1. All prices exclude GST

Price is firm until 30 June 2005

 All cleaning equipment to be supplied by Porter Group

 Monthly invoices are due for payment within 14 days

Second tenderer offered very attractive tender too:

Service	Description	Price (incl G.S.T)
Management Couple (1) Caretaker & (1) Gardener	6.00am – 6.00pm Monday – Friday 9.00am - 1.00pm Saturday	\$103,590.p.a
Management Couples Accommodation Component	2 bedroom apartment \$325pw * 52 weeks + G.S.T	\$ 18,590.p.a
(2) Cleaners, 7 days	9.00am – 5.00pm Monday – Friday 9.00am – 3.00 pm Saturday & Sunday	\$ 45,120.p.a
Gardener	Included in Resident Manager	Included in
Pool Maintenance Contractor	Included in Resident Manager	Included in
(2) Night Caretakers (2) Security Guards	6.00pm – 6.00 am Sunday – Saturday 365 days a year	NSW State Award, see attached

With the GST included, the second tenderer would have charged the following for the maintenance contract (exclude security guards):

- 1 Caretaker
- 1 Gardener
- 1 Cleaner

Total (with GST) \$144,740.00

Services for the security guards would have been charged in accordance with the State Awards.

For the same services, excluding the security guards, the Caretaker charged the following in FY 2005/2006:

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Caretaking/Cleaning (exclusive GST) $105,796.01

Gardening (exclusive GST) $42,053.01

Total (with GST) $162.631.22
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The approximate savings, in favour of engaging the second tenderer in 2005 would have been AU\$17,891.00 per year, 12.36% savings for the owners corporation in just one year.

The quote from the two tenderers were never disclosed to owners corporation or even majority of members of the Executive Committee. Instead, the following was falsely reported at the Executive Committee meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> of February 2004:

A proposal is to be obtained from a company called "Resident Manager" regarding the caretaking/cleaning/gardening services.
 A final cost proposal has not yet been received from "Resident Manager".
 A proposal has been received from Universal Strata Care to renew their contract for a further two years and it was agreed

that unless a submission is received from another contractor by

SP52948 – EC meeting on  $18^{\text{th}}$  of August 2004 - legal case with previous caretaker attended by Lot 147 in court

At the EC meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> of August 2004, it was documented Caretaker's and owners corporation four-year dispute with the previous caretaker who accused Universal Strata Care of obtaining the contract through illegal means:

(e) Universal Strata Care currently have a legal dispute with the previous cleaning/gardening contractor and a letter was requested indicating that when Universal Strata Care were engaged that that they did not solicite the committee for the contract but that they were approached by the committee in this regard.

Following discussion it was agreed that current committee members

who were members of the committee at the time of the change of contractor should individually provide letters in connection with the position.

Details of the settlement and reasons why SP52948 was involved were never provided to any owner.

CONTRACT OF ENGAGEMENT			
Execution of Contract between the Owners <b>Strata Scheme No. 52948</b> and <b>Universal Strata Care</b> (A.B.N 54 662 343 094) The Contractor.			
Signed for an on behalf of Owners <b>Strata Scheme No. 52948</b> By the duly appointed Strata Managing Agent.			
Signed:			
Name: William J. FRY			
Date: 09. 05. 2006			
Signed for and behalf of the Contactor			
Signed:			
Name: Kurry Luka:			
Date: 26.5.06:			
Contract Commencement:			
Date: 1 May 2006			

Fee:

Monthly in arrears. Total \$21309.41 SP52948 – Contract with Universal Strata Care without tender or owners decision at AGM, valued at \$268.498.56 (plus GST) per year on  $1^{st}$  of May 2008

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Signed for and behalf of the Contactor			
	Signed:	A. 1. P. Q.1.	
	Name:	Robert Luica	
	Date:	11-67.2008.	
Contract Commencement:			
	Date:	1 May 2008	

Fee:

Monthly in arrears. Total \$22374.88 SP52948 – Renewed contract with Universal Strata Care without tender or owners decision at AGM, valued at \$268.498.56 per year with extra 2% increase for three years (plus GST) on  $1^{\rm st}$  of August 2010



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Email

@bigpond.com

To: The Executive Committee Strata Plan 52948 Macquarie Gardens 1-15 Fontenoy Road Macquarie Park 1st August 2010

Dear John,

As per our discussion regarding our contract with Macquarie Gardens I agree and propose the following.

- 1-l agree to extend the current contract to August 2011 at no additional cost.
- 2-1 propose to offer Macquarie Gardens the option to re new our contract after August 2011 for a period of 3 years with a 2% increase in the current contract price.

# SP52948 – Secret email exchange asking EC members to approve Universal Strata Care contract renewal for three years without tender on 8<sup>th</sup> of September 2010

Cc johnf@bcms.com.au

Message

Miletter to Macquarie Gardens re contract.doc (120 KB)

To The Committee Strata Plan 52948 Macquarie Gardens

Please confirm to me that you are in favour of immediately accepting this offer to continue the caretaking services for Macquarie Gardens. As soon as a majority of the committee have responded (5) I will instruct John to accept the contract. (ignore the date error of his letter it is meant to be September and we have not had this letter since August!)

The importance of this contractor is that we understand the service levels, understand the people and would get good continuity at a cost that should be capable of maintaining existing levies at or below a CPI increase for a number of years barring utilities increases. While there are occasional issues with particular staff we have been very prudent not to be exposed to the direct risks of employment.

We have tried in previous years to find an alternative supplier. Given that any new contract would not start until 1st September 2011 it is almost impossible to get quotes that are strictly comparable and last time we tried we could only get quotes for various components with the Strata Plan being asked to take the risk on variable cost components of security etc. I believe that we are justified in not seeking quotes this time and showing some trust in the current supplier. Please remember that the current arrangement was extended to 31st August 2011 with no increase and that made a huge difference to the current proposed budget. It is not possible to conduct negotiations with a supplier like Bob and Ruth via published minutes and notices as this sends entirely the wrong message, both about our financial position and the respect and confidence in them.

Since we approved the budget as a committee (only days after the financial year end) additional electricity and water charges which are almost entirely for August have been received which reduces the surplus that will be reported and further justifies the level of increases estimated in the new budget. The figures you see in the final reports will therefore change and I will update the letter and budget presentation as soon as the audited accounts are received.

## SP52948 - Call-out charges by Universal Strata Care were undefined items in the contract

Here are some examples of invoices by Universal Strata Care in 2013 and 2014 when even expenses that should be charged to individual owners were passed on to owners corporation:

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	Description		Amount
	For May 2013		
	Caretaking and Cleaning	328	\$9,587.15
	Gardening	357	\$3,745.98
	Pool and spa maintenance	288	\$589.99
	Night Caretaking	272	\$6,822.38
	6 x 20 ltr Chlorine @ \$20.20		\$121.20
	1 x 15 Hydrochloric acid @ \$20.20	)	\$20.20
	6 Sheets Chlorine test tablets @ \$2.50	284 <	\$15.00
	1 x 10kg Buffer @ \$25.50		\$25.50
	1 x 15 ltr Quickclean 80 (pool floor tilrs) @ \$66.10	(	\$66.10
	2 x 25 ltr Disinfectant @ \$82.95	288	\$165.90
	1 x 500ml No foam @ \$25.00	288	\$25.00
	2 x Sweet Lu @ \$8.60	22-1.5	\$17.20
	Box of Toilet Paper	21542	\$48.50
	Call out fee for Easter Saturday	2254 { 328	\$250.00

/-Raine & Horne Strata Sydney ocked Bag 22 aymarket NSW 1238	Invoice #: Date: A.B.N: Page:	00000283 24/04/2014 80 149 188 867 1
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Box of Toilet Paper		\$48.50
1 x priniting paper @ \$8.38  Call out on Good Friday to supervise tenant move	ving in	\$8.38 \$220.00

C/-Raine & Home Strata Sydney Locked Bag 22 Haymarket NSW 1238 Invoice #: 00000291

Date: 14/08/2014

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Your Ref:

Details	Total (ex-GST)
20 M3 Redwood chip mulch Assorted Azaleas 1 x Treated pine log 2 x 4lt low sheen paint Call out Sunday 10th August re set C Block boilers	\$1,080,00 \$267,34 \$25,50 \$119,90 \$250,00

SP52948 - Renewed contract with Universal Strata Care without tender or owners decision at AGM, on 12<sup>th</sup> of March 2014

12th March 2014

Universal Property Services PO Box 6165 DURAL DC NSW 2158

Dear Robert

Re: STRATA PLAN 52948 – 1-15 FONTENOY ROAD MACQUARIE PARK
OFFER TO EXTEND TERM OF CONTRACT

We are the Strata Managing Agents for the above property.

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated 1st February 2014 and your offer to extend the term of your Management Contract with the Owners Corporation to 31st December 2014.

The Owners Corporation is pleased to advise they have approved your offer to extend the term of your Management Contract with the Owners Corporation to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,

**RAINE & HORNE STRATA-SYDNEY** 

Seter Bon

Peter Bone

Standard Costs Agreement with Shakenovsky & Associates for legal services to prepare contract with Uniqueco Property Services was issued on  $4^{th}$  of December 2014 and quickly signed by two SP52948 EC members (whilst one of them – Mr. Moses Levitt, was not financial due to unpaid full levies, including 10% simple interest for overdue payments), day later on  $5^{th}$  of December 2014

Dated

Signed Moses Levitt

Dated

Contract RS/RH 081394 with Uniqueco Property Services signed by two SP52948 EC members (whilst one of them – Mr. Moses Levitt, was not financial due to unpaid full levies, including 10% simple interest for overdue payments), allegedly executed on 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2014

Ref: RS/RH: 081394

This Agreement dated day of Jecoular 2014

The Owners Corporation Strata Plan 52948 ABN 79 491 891 602

trading as Macquarie Gardens c/o BCS Level 2, 51 Rawson Street

Epping NSW 2121 ("Proprietor")

and Uniqueco Pty Ltd ABN 44 169 421 194 of 304 Brenan St., Smithfield,

NSW 2164 ("Contractor")

and Steven Carbone and Sandra Carbone of 304 Brenan Street,

Smithfield NSW 2164 ("Guarantors")

#### Recitals:

between

The Proprietor desires that certain Services be carried out at the Premises.

B. The Contractor has agreed to provide the Services at the Premises on the terms set out in this Agreement.

# SP52948 - Contract value with Uniqueco Property Services valued at \$289.000.00 as signed on 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2014

#### Schedule 2 Prices

GST is excluded from the prices shown below.

	Annual Price		Monthly Price		
Day Caretaking Pool Maintenance Gardening \$ 52,000.00	\$121,000.00 \$ 11,000.00	\$	4,333.33	\$1 \$	0,083.33 916.67
Night Caretaking	\$105,000.00	+	.,000.00	\$	8,750.00
Total	\$289,000.00			\$2	4.083.33

#### Schedule 3 Hours of Coverage

- The Contractor will provide Caretaking Services to the Premises between the hours of 5.00 am – 5.00 pm, Monday to Friday and 9.00 am to 3.00 pm Saturdays and Sundays and will provide after-hours service at all times to respond to emergencies onsite within 1 hour of notification.
- The Contractor will provide cleaning services to the Premises 7 days each week, which will include a minimum 6 hours on each Saturday and Sunday and any Public Holidays.
- The Contractor will provide a minimum of one person on site from 5.00 pm to 5.00 am 7 nights a week including Public Holidays.
- Gardening and Pool hours of coverage are to be sufficient to provide all the services listed at the frequency specified to standards determined by the Quality Assurance Standard document.

At AGM 2014 - Strata Manager Mr. Russell Young confirmed that Universal Strata Care was paid for undelivered services for night security but failed to reimburse owners corporation for undelivered services

Over the previous 12 months, security guards stopped working between hours of 2:00 to 5:00am, in spite of caretaker getting paid for their night staff. When questioned about it, the response was that "it was difficult to get the money back from poor people". BCS Strata Management failed to report it in the minutes of the AGM.

EC member wrote email to Universal Property Services advising them of lost contract on 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2014, which confirmed wishes of EC members to stay with them due to "personal connections"



Sun 7/12/2014 8:26 PM

SP52948 Caretaking Services Agreement - confirmation Universal agreement now formally ends 31 Dec 2014.

To 'Bob Luka'; Ruth Luka

Cc Russell Young

Bob & Ruth,

I have to advise that a new Caretaking Services Agreement, as voted for at the AGM, was executed by the Owners Corporation and exchanged with UniqueCo Pty Ltd late today (Sunday 7 Dec 2014). All commercial issues have been resolved and guarantees put in place to secure the Owners Corporation for performance of all conditions. As a result there is now no possibility that the agreement for services by Universal Strata can be renewed or renegotiated and that agreement will therefore end on 31st December 2014.

You will appreciate that this has been just as difficult a process for the Executive Committee, most of whom are resident and know you both well, but in running a tender process for such a large contract sum, as required by Strata law, the outcome has resulted in significant differences in the prices tendered which has swayed many lot owners. I suspect that with much more than 50% of all owners now investors rather than residents the personal connection was diluted and overall cost of levies was the deciding factor. You can refer any potential business that is seeking a reference from you, to me, and I will assure them the contract was lost on financial grounds. The new Executive Committee have asked me to thank you for your services over the years.

Minutes of EC meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2016, allegedly "renewed" Caretaker's contract for another year without any tender, although it was going to expire on 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2016, more than nine months before its renewal time

### 14. OTHER BUSINESS

Motion

14.1 Any other business



14.2 Correspondence has been received from UniqueCo Pty Ltd agreeing to a further year of caretaking services (until 31 December 2017) at an agreed increase in price of only2%. The EC considered that the caretaker was only obliged to give notice by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 and that the offer of 2% was probably below the exact amount of CPI that could have been applied. The EC considered whether the services were being performed to a satisfactory standard concluded that the Managing agent be instructed to accept in writing the early offer of the extension (in accordance with the contract signed in Dec 2014).

No tender 1

# SP52948 – Uniqueco Property Services contract value increased by 2% without owners corporation decision at AGM or tender on $22^{nd}$ of April 2016

22nd April 2016

Uniqueco Pty Ltd Attn: Mr Steven Carbone Director 304 Brenan Street SMITHFIELD NSW 2164

Dear Mr Carbone,

RE: Caretaking Services for the period 1st January to 31st December 2017

In accordance with the Caretaking Service Agreement dated  $7^{th}$  December 2014, we wish to confirm that your extension has been accepted with the agreement price increase of 2%.

The 2% increase will commence from 1st January 2017 for a period of 12 months.

Yours sincerely,

Gary Mills Strata Manager BCS Body Corporate Services

# SP52948 – Uniqueco Property Services contract value increased by 4% without owners corporation decision at AGM or tender on 27<sup>th</sup> of November 2017

### Schedule 2 Prices

GST is excluded from the prices shown below.

# From 1 January 2018 to 31 January 2019

Day Caretaking Pool Maintenance Gardening Night Caretaking	Annual Price \$130,216.00 \$ 11,849.00 \$ 55,980.00 \$112,955.00	Monthly Price \$ 10,851.33 \$ ,987.42 \$ 4,665.00 \$ _9,412.91
Total	\$311,000.00	\$ 25.916.66

[Steven Carbone accepts that the initial monthly rates will run for 13 months in the first year to avoid termination on the 31st December, and the increased rate will commence on the 1st of February 2019, as listed on page 25 of the contract document].

## From 1 February 2019 to 31 January 2020

Annual Price	Monthly Price
\$135,424.00	\$ 11,285.33
\$ 12,323.00	\$ 1,026.92
\$ 58,220.00	\$ 4,851.66
\$117,473.00	\$ 9,789.41
\$323,440.00	\$ 26,953.32
	\$135,424.00 \$ 12,323.00 \$ 58,220.00 \$117,473.00

## From 1 February 2020 to 31 January 2021

Day Caretaking Pool Maintenance Gardening Night Caretaking Total	Annual Price \$140,841.00 \$ 12,816.00 \$ 60,548.00 \$122,172.60 \$336,377.60	Monthly Price \$ 11,736.74 \$ 1,068.00 \$ 5,045.66 \$ 10,181.05 \$ 28,031.45
	\$336,377.60	\$ <u>10,181.05</u> \$ 28,031.45

## Schedule 3 Hours of Coverage

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SP52948 - Master contract expenses for Building Manager (Caretaker) in period FY 1999 to 2014 (GST exclusive)

The only details of the
Caretaker's contract (as like for
all other expenses) were
provided to owners in one-page
balance sheet at general
meetingsXFinancial Year (1
September to 31 August)

Building Manager (Caretaker) master contract (GST exclusive)

ci to 31 August,	
1999	\$186,611.00
2000	\$220,168.00
2001	\$220,624.00
2002	\$218,938.00
2003	\$218,167.00
2004	\$222,376.00
2005	\$227,995.00
2006	\$228,438.00
2007	\$232,844.00
2008	\$235,560.00
2009	\$244,287.00
2010	\$264,080.00
2011	\$245,094.00
2012	\$255,673.00
2013	\$256,605.00
2014	\$252,618.00

SP52948 - Master contract expenses for Building Manager (Caretaker) grew to \$275,838.00 in FY 2015 (GST exclusive)

Performance against budget 1st Sep to 31st Aug 2015					
Admin Fund	Actual	Varianc		Budget (F2105)	
Master contract	275,838	4,162	1.5%	280,000	
Other maintenance	170,317	(15,317)	(9.0%)	155,000	
Utilities	209,525	11,475	5.5%	221,000	
Insurance	70,925	75	0.1%	71,000	
Admin & general	52,683	9,017	17.1%	61,700	
Total Expenses	779,289	9,411	1.2%	788,700	

SP52948 - Master contract expenses for Building Manager (Caretaker) grew to \$292,912.00 in FY 2016 (GST exclusive)

Performance against budget 1st Sep to 31st Aug 2016						
Admin Fund	Actual	Varia	nce	Budget		
Master contract	292,912	(3,912)	(1.3%)	289,000		
Other maintenance	146,061	22,939	15.7%	169,000		
Utilities	181,779	23,221	12.8%	205,000		
Insurance	64,395	5,605	8.7%	70,000		
Admin & general	50,684	7,716	15.2%	58,400		
Total Expenditure	735,831	55,569	7.6%	791,400		

SP52948 - Master contract expenses for Building Manager (Caretaker) were \$291,507.00 in FY 2017 (GST exclusive)

Performance against budget 1st Sep 2016 to 31st Aug 2017					
Admin Fund	Actual	Variance		Budget	
Caretaking contract	291,507	607	0.21%	290,900	
Admin & General	49,898	(4,102)	(7.60%)	54,000	
Utilities	170,645	(49,355)	(22.43%)	220,000	
Insurance	68,931	(3,069)	(4.26%)	72,000	
Other maintenance	198,500	20,000	11.20%	178,500	
Total Expenditure	779,481	(35,919)	(4.41%)	815,400	

SP52948 - Master contract expenses for Building Manager (Caretaker) grew to \$304,630.00 in FY 2018 (GST exclusive)

Performance against budget 1st Sep 2017 to 31st Aug 2018						
Admin Fund	Actual	Vari	ance	Budget		
Caretaking contract	304,630	(10,370)	(3.29%)	315,000		
Admin & General	43,919	(3,481)	(7.34%)	47,400		
Utilities	187,247	9,247	5.19%	178,000		
Insurance	75,503	3,503	4.86%	72,000		
Other maintenance	192,409	(46,291)	(19.39%)	238,700		
Total Expenditure	803,708	(47,392)	(5.57%)	851,100		

SP52948 - Master contract expenses for Building Manager (Caretaker) were \$293,031.00 in FY 2019 (GST exclusive)

Performance against	Performance against budget 1st Sep 2018 to 31st Aug 2019						
Admin Fund	Actual	Actual Variance					
Caretaking contract	293,031	(21,969)	(6.97%)	315,000			
Admin & General	46,914	(486)	(1.02%)	47,400			
Utilities	142,044	(45,956)	(24.4%)	188,000			
Insurance	81,382	(453)	(0.55%)	81,835			
Other maintenance	180,137	(67,133)	(27.1%)	247,270			
Total Expenditure	743,508	(135,997)	(15.46%)	879,505			

SP52948 – Master contract expenses for Building Manager (Caretaker) were \$338,270.00 in FY 2020 (GST exclusive)

Performance against budget 1st Sep 2019 to 31st Aug 2020					
Admin Fund	Actual	Actual Variance		Budget	
Caretaking contract	338,270	(11,730)	(3.35%)	350,000	
Admin & General	43,190	(4,830)	(10.06%)	48,020	
Utilities	205,061	6,061	3.05%	199,000	
Insurance	80,320	(14,680)	(15.45%)	95,000	
Other maintenance	132,197	(82,553)	(38.44%)	214,750	
Total Expenditure	799,038	(107,732)	(11.88%)	906,770	

SP52948 – Agenda for AGM 2020 failed to comply with SSMA 2015 requirements for Motions at general meetings, by not providing clear vote for renewing building management contract, and not allowing seven companies to bid for the building and strata management contracts

#### 8 CARETAKERS CONTRACT

That the proposed contract renewal with Uniqueco Pty Ltd (Building Managers) be tabled and a decision made whether to accept this contract.

Motion must be ruled as "out of order" as it conflicts with the Act, is unlawful, and unenforceable.

According to Strata Community Association (NSW), definition of a Motion:

A proposal put forward for consideration at a meeting. A well written motion will enable the lot owner or committee member to vote yes (for) or no (against) on the matter.

- A motion must clearly state the proposal to be considered at the meeting.
- Motion must clearly state if an ordinary, special, or unanimous resolution is required.
- Motion must disclose pecuniary interests of committee members as per SCHEDULE 2 Meeting procedures of strata committees of the Strata Schemes Management Act, 2015 (NSW) Section18.
- Information was withheld from owners that Lot 158 has been a legal member of the committee since 2013.

Waratah Strata Management deliberately failed to disclose competitive pricing by other service providers and only included pricing for incumbent building manager:

GST is excluded from the prices shown below.

### From 1 February 2021 to 31 January 2024 [Three (3) years]

	Monthly Price		
Day Caretaking       \$142,250.00       \$11,85         Pool Maintenance       \$ 12,944.00       \$ 1,07         Gardening       \$ 61,153.00       \$ 5,09         Night Caretaking       \$123,394.00       \$ 10,29         Total       \$339,741.00       \$ 28,3	78.67 96.08 82.83		

#### Schedule 3 Hours of Coverage

- 1 The Contractor will provide Caretaking Services to the Premises between the hours of 4.00am to 7.00pm Mondays to Fridays and 9.00am to 3.00pm Saturdays and Sundays and will provide after-hours service at all times to respond to emergencies onsite within one [1] hour of notification.
- 2 The Contractor will provide a Caretaker to the Premises on Public Holidays for a 6 hour shift from 5.00am to 11.00am.
- 3 The Contractor will provide cleaning services to the Premises seven [7] days each week, which will include a minimum six [6] hours per day for Saturdays and Sundays and any Public Holidays.
- 4 The Contractor will provide a minimum of one security person on site from 7.00pm to 4.00am Mondays to Fridays, 6.30pm to 4.00am Saturdays and Sundays and 6.00pm to 4.00am Public Holidays.
- 5 Gardening and Pool hours of coverage are to be sufficient to provide all the services listed at the frequency specified to standards determined by the Quality Assurance Standard document

Seven tenders were disallowed for competing for strata and building management contracts at AGM 2020 without valid reasons:

Subject: SUMMARY: Tenders for Macquarie Gardens SP52948 strata and building management failed to be included

in agenda for AGM 2020 as of 30Sep2020

From: SP52948 owner Date: 30/9/20, 6:17 pm To: Robert Crosbie

Good evening,

Agenda for AGM 2020 has just been published.

a) Motion for strata management contract WAS NOT INCLUDED, in spite of advanced notices and duly provided quotes.

It effectively excludes all other quotes for strata management at general meeting although Waratah Strata Management gave commitment to include them on 28 September 2020 and had advanced notice since 30 July 2020 ("SP52948-Waratah-Strata-Management-email-about-Motions-for-strata-and-building-management-28Sep2020.png").

Since October 2019, legal request has been raised about validity of AGM 2019 and evidence to be provided if it complied with SSMA 2015 and SSMR 2016 (agenda sent as per Interpretation Act 1987, ONLY financial owners allowed to vote, owner's Motions allowed to be voted on, and ONLY fully financial owners allowed to be members of the committee). Strata manager and committee members did not reply so far.

Last time, such request has been officially lodged by O'Brien Criminal & Civil Solicitors on 24 April 2020.

- b) Motion for building manager (attachment "SP52948-Motion-8-agenda-AGM-2020-incomplete-caretaker-contract-published-on-30Sep2020.png") only lists proposal for renewal for the current provider, **effectively excluding all other building management quotes**.
- c) Motions from Lot 158 were mostly excluded for AGM 2020, without legal reason, including this one which is of high importance for fire and occupational health safety:

Motion: Ratify events related Special Resolution 25 at AGM 2016 The Owners Corporation SP52948 by ORDINARY RESOLUTION, confirms the following:

At AGM 2016, Lot 158 submitted Motion 25 as Special Resolution: Occupational Health and Safety Risk Assessment

It was approved with:

49 votes Yes 11 votes No

BCS Strata Management and Waratah Strata Management failed to register this Special By-Law within six months of

- Three very competitive quotes for building management contract:
  - ✓ Curtis Strata Cleaning
  - ✓ Forte Asset Services
  - ✓ Clean and Secure Building Management

All three of them offered two options for security services with licensed staff:

Patrols two times a night in around 30 minute duration each time,

Full 10-hour a night onsite security.

The reason for option with patrols:

All fire doors in the basement in the complex now have alarms, New CCTV system.

- Very competitive quote from Jim's Mowing franchise for gardening.
- Three very competitive quotes for the strata management contract:
  - ✓ Strata Excellence
  - ✓ Strata Title Management
  - ✓ Netstrata