

Parliament of Australia Presiding Officers

14 October 2022

Dear Colleagues,

Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has written to the Presiding Officers, and requested a change to the use of Parliament House facilities for events. This change relates to the removal of all political fundraising functions from bookable areas.

As Presiding Officers, we agree with the Prime Minister that the dignity of Parliament House should be maintained, and we have agreed to the requested change.

From Monday 17 October 2022, the Great Hall, Marble Foyer, Mural Hall, the Queens Terrace, and other event spaces can no longer be used for political fundraising. These venues will not be able to be booked for events hosted by registered political parties and/or candidates for public office and/or any other third party, where funds are collected in connection to the event for the purpose of donating raised funds to a political party, campaign and/or candidate.

Anyone with an existing booking will be contacted by the Department of Parliamentary Services (DPS) to discuss compliance with the updated policy.

This policy does not apply to events raising funds for charitable or not-for-profit purposes.

The guidelines for the use of Parliament House for events will be updated accordingly. If you require further information relating to this change in policy, please contact the DPS booking service.

Yours sincerely



Senator the Hon Sue Lines President of the Senate

The Hon Milton Dick MP Speaker of the House of Representatives