

# ucc-Announce email 2

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Dear uccans,

Over the past week, there have been several important developments. This email is a long one, but also an important one for the club.

## 1 The new clubroom offer

On Tuesday (2020-03-17) the committee met to discuss the new clubroom offer in Guild commercial space. We decided that acceptance of the offer would only be suitable if the following conditions could be met:

- ucc will be guaranteed a space until the next relocations
- The room satisfies basic power, networking, and security requirements
- This room is of sufficient size that we can retain our equipment

- Amendment to the current Tenancy Allocation Outcome, which stated that no space would be offered

Unfortunately, despite repeated attempts to establish further communications with the Societies Council following the offer, we failed to receive a response. Without the opportunity to discuss these matters, and with the appeals deadline closing, we felt it was not possible to accept this offer; particularly as no details had been formally presented. Hence, on Friday, the committee submitted a letter to appeal the original Tenancy decision which stated that UCC would not be offered a clubroom for the 2020-2022 allocation period.

## 2 The Appeal

We have just submitted the *first substantive appeal*. For your interest I have attached the following documents:

- Our original application
- Tenancy's response
- Our appeal

Should this appeal fail, rest assured that there are other layers we can move to.

Given the recent closures of University and Guild spaces such as Cameron Hall, any decisions regarding the future of UCC's tenancy may not be known for some time. This means there will be time for you to help.

It would be much appreciated if you could write a statement in support of UCC. Should you do so, consider mentioning aspects such as

- The impact the club has had on you personally
- The value you think the club provides to students in general
- The necessity of a room for the club

Consider sharing such a letter to the following groups:

- The Tenancy Committee

- The Guild Executive
- cc: committee-only@ucc.asn.au

This is a pain, so [click here for a pre-addressed email](#).

If you are a UCC alumni then consider also sending the email to Guild Development and Alumni Relations at [development@uwa.edu.au](mailto:development@uwa.edu.au). For UCC alumni, you may also consider writing to,

- Alumni Relations: [alumnirelations@uwa.edu.au](mailto:alumnirelations@uwa.edu.au)
- Guild Development: [development@uwa.edu.au](mailto:development@uwa.edu.au)
- Convocation: [convocation@uwa.edu.au](mailto:convocation@uwa.edu.au)

### 3 Closure of Cameron Hall

In response to the COVID-19 situation, the Guild has announced that it is taking the following steps to protect the health and safety of students:

- Cancelling all events
- Closing all Guild spaces (i.e. **Cameron Hall**)
- Postponing tenancy allocations

This decision is set to be re-evaluated in **six months**, which is around the time of Guild Elections. Until that time, it this means that:

- You will be unable to access Cameron Hall
- The tenancy allocation will be put on hold

Moving forward, we will be ramping up our online events, and thanks to [TRs] we have [meetings.ucc.asn.au](https://meetings.ucc.asn.au) available for member use. To quote the landing page, this is an “open-source web conferencing server. You can create your own rooms to host sessions, or join others using a short and convenient link.”

## 4 New LinkedIn group

While separate to all of the drama above, UCC now has a LinkedIn group, in addition to a re-vamped company page.

- [UCC LinkedIn page](#)
- [UCC LinkedIn Group](#)

This should provide another avenue for UCCans to keep in touch long after leaving the club :)

This is a tumultuous time for UCC. We will continue to endeavour to keep you abreast of the situation, though with the six month tenancy postponement, the time pressure has considerably lessened.

Stay well,

Timothy.