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## CHCSA Board of Management Constitution Review

In line with best practice, the Community Housing Council of SA (CHCSA) Board of Management is reviewing its Constitution to ensure it is suitable for the environment in which we are operating.

To do this, the Board has established a Constitutional Review Subcommittee comprising of:

- Tier 3 Member - Sally Sinor (IDAA)
- Tier 2 Member - Geoff Barber (Julia Farr Housing Association)
- Tier 1 Member - Matthew Woodward (Unity Housing Company)
- Executive Officer – Carmel Rosier (CHCSA)

The CHCSA Board of Management will keep members updated as this work progresses.

## Changes to the Affordable Homes website allow for a better experience for first home buyers

*From the Renewal SA [website](#)*

“Renewal SA is excited to announce some changes to the Affordable Homes Program website that will make finding new homes available for purchase through the program a more seamless experience”.

“The [Affordable Homes Program](#) gives eligible buyers the opportunity to buy homes throughout South Australia at a reasonable cost, before they are available on the open market — meaning eligible buyers have the opportunity to purchase a home exclusively for a period of time at a fixed price, without having to compete with investors”.

“Want to be among the first to know about available Affordable Homes? Get your preferred property alerts emailed to you — visit [affordablehomes.sa.gov.au](http://affordablehomes.sa.gov.au) to see the changes for yourself, and subscribe.”

## Portway Housing Association opens Kidman Park Townhouses

From the [Portway Kidman Park Opening events page](#) and [UnitingSA Facebook page](#)

“Portway Housing recently completed construction of a Kidman Park townhouse complex, comprising of six three-bedroom homes. The properties were redeveloped under Renewal SA's 'Community Housing Asset Renewal Program', and will add to Portway's range of affordable accommodation options in the City of Charles Sturt area”.

“Portway has a long and proud history of supporting local people, offering subsidised accommodation for low-income families and individuals since its establishment in 1984.”

The townhouses were officially opened this week by The Hon Minister Lensink. Congratulations to the team on being the “first Tier Two community organisation to complete a project under this Renewal SA program”.



## Landmark Disability Bill Passed by State Parliament

Bill available from the [Government of South Australia Attorney-General's Department – Legislation website](#)

“The South Australian State Parliament has passed important legislation that will help to ensure South Australians living with disability have equal access to all sectors of the community.

The *Disability Inclusion Bill 2018* sets a framework for greater access and inclusion for people with disability to a range of community activities and services, such as public transport, the health system, and education. Under the Bill, state and local governments will develop and implement disability access and inclusion plans (DAIPs), which will make sure people with disability have the same rights as other members of the community.”

For copies of this bill [click here](#)

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## National Homelessness Conference 2018

From the [AHURI website](#)

“Ending Homelessness Together” - Melbourne Cricket Ground, 6 - 7 August 2018.

“AHURI, in partnership with Homelessness Australia will convene the National Homelessness Conference 2018—Ending Homelessness Together, in Melbourne on Mon 6 and Tue 7 August 2018 as part of Homelessness Week 2018.

The release of 2016 Census reveals a 13.7 per cent increase of people experiencing homelessness over the five year period. Against the backdrop of these latest figures, and with the Australian Government developing the new National Housing and Homelessness Agreement, it is an appropriate time to revive this critical national event after a four year hiatus.

The Conference will bring together policy makers and practitioners from across Australia to learn, engage and network. We are delighted to invite you to join us at this major national event and be part of the conversation aimed at ending homelessness in Australia.”

For more information, [click here](#); for pricings and registrations [click here](#).

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## Job Vacancies

As advertised on the [CHCSA Job Board](#)

**Junction Australia** is currently advertising for:

- Allocations Officer

For information on how to obtain a job and person specification for these positions, or to apply, please visit the job advertisement on the [CHCSA Job Board](#).

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## CHCSA Board Room for Hire

The Community Housing Council of SA has a Boardroom with external access that is available for hire.

Just 5 minutes north-east of the city at 285 Payneham Road, Royston Park it is conveniently located and contains a number of off-street car parks.

The standard hire fee for this facility is currently \$40 per half day and \$80 for a full day. CHCSA members receive a 50% discount on the above hire fees.

Bookings and enquiries can be made by phone on 8362 1022 or by email to [info@chcsa.org.au](mailto:info@chcsa.org.au).

## CHCSA Calendar of Events

Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	NRSCH Compliance Workshop (Housing Co-operatives)
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	NDIS Local Area Coordinator Workshop
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	CHCSA Board of Management
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Sector Disability Community Housing Working Party
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	CHP Forum
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	CoP – Compliance & Systems Reference Group
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Central Forum
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Family & Domestic Violent Professional Devt

## CHCSA Recommended Links

- [Consumer and Business Services \(CBS\)](#)
- [South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal \(SACAT\)](#)
- [Tenants Information & Advisory Service \(TIAS\)](#)
- [Community Centres SA](#)
- [Mediation SA](#)
- [Legislation](#)
- [ATO Benchmark Market Rent Rates](#)
- [STARService](#)
- [Volunteering SA&NT](#)
- [Renewal SA](#)
- [Data SA](#)
- [People and Places \(Housing SA newsletter\)](#)
- [NDIS \(NDIS in SA\)](#)
- [Housing Hub](#)

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