

VIEW National Office

MEMORANDUM

To: Club President/Secretary
From: VIEW National Executive
Date: 12 August 2019
Re: Modernising VIEW Messaging



Following the June National Council meeting all Clubs received an FAQ in relation to the decision made re: Modernising VIEW Messaging.

We understand that there has been meaningful debate at some Club meetings about this decision, with comments and feedback encouraged. Subsequently, a broad spectrum of feedback has been received from members, and the Executive have taken the time to respond to those members or clubs, either personally by phone call, or via email.

Some members have already embraced the change, others have commented about the change and decided to continue with their current practices.

Unfortunately, there has been considerable miscommunication and confusion about this change, especially in relation to the pledge, stating that the pledge had been **banned**, which was not correct and caused considerable disquiet amongst some members.

The words of the VIEW pledge continue to form part of VIEW's policy, have meaning and value.

Recent VIEW Club Handbooks state that "the pledge should be recited at Club meetings". However, this has not always been the position, previously the saying of the VIEW Pledge and VIEW Grace were at the discretion of individual clubs.

The decision made at the June National Council meeting to discontinue reciting the pledge at club meetings, meant that clubs were "no longer required to" say the pledge at club meetings.

As singing of the National Anthem and saying the VIEW Grace are optional, the VIEW National Council reconsidered its decision made at June National Council meeting - Item 5.3b and amended this decision so that it be **optional** for clubs to recite the VIEW Pledge, VIEW Grace and sing the Australian National Anthem at VIEW Club monthly meetings.

This decision is effective immediately.

Jan Roberts
National President