

ABCAT enquiries to the NRA concerning Electricity utility costs

The NLRC were reviewing their costs in early 2016, and In August of that year they wrote to the NRA to ask for documents to substantiate the NRA's charge for electricity. Most Bisley tenants are supposed to be recharged the cost to the NRA for electricity. Other standing charges and any admin cost are to be recovered separately.

The NLRC noticed that the unit charge did not favourably compare with various club members domestic charges.

Despite various promises to look into this matter, the NRA have failed to provide any explanation.

At an ABCAT meeting, Andrew Paul was asked to write to the NRA to follow this matter up.

The exchange of emails with John Webster is attached. Even if the NRA trustees feel constrained by confidentiality, John Webster's reply totally fails to communicate any sense that he recognises his responsibility as a trustee to ensure that this matter is being adequately handled by the NRA executive. None of the clubs concerned have received any update or details of the timescale that my simple questions would be provided.

[Andrew Paul email to John Webster cc Richard Baillie](#)

8th January 2018

Dear John,

At a recent meeting of ABCAT. I was asked to coordinate the efforts of some clubs to understand their electricity supply bills.

We would like to know the following:-

The name of the NRA current supplier.

The current rates charged by them.

The last time the supply was tendered and the current contract period.

Confirmation that the charges levied by NRA are in accordance with their lease terms, which in general say should be charged at the same rate as billed to the NRA. Other distribution costs are expected to be recovered separately by service charge.

All present at the meeting were unable to understand why it is taking the NRA so long to respond to these queries, first raised in August 2016.

I am writing to you in the first instance as Mr Mercer states he will not deal with me as I am not an NRA member though a defined beneficiary.

Regards

Andrew Paul 07850 532621

Vice Chairman A B C A T

[John Webster reply](#)

9th January 2018

Andrew,

Queries of this kind can only be dealt with by the executive staff.

FWIW, as neither a NRA member or a tenant, I can see no reason why you would expect to have access to such information.

Regards

John