66 Leicester St. Fitzroy, Vic. 3065

2023 MCC Renovation

The Committee of Melbourne Chess Club (**MCC**) is excited to announce a major renovation of the premises of MCC located at 66 Leicester Street, Fitzroy (**the Property**).

The renovation will improve the Property through reconfiguration of current spaces resulting in a greatly increased capacity for chess tournaments and events. There will also be a new lobby area at the southern (CBD) end of the Property which will include a new toilet and kitchen and better soundproofing to walls. Further details of the configuration can be seen in the attached sketch.

The renovation is expected to begin on **Monday 14 August 2023** and **finish around the end of September 2023**. During the renovation, parts of the Property will be inaccessible and the Property's capacity will be reduced. However, it is intended that all current toilets will still be accessible and that the usual schedule of tournaments and events at MCC will continue.

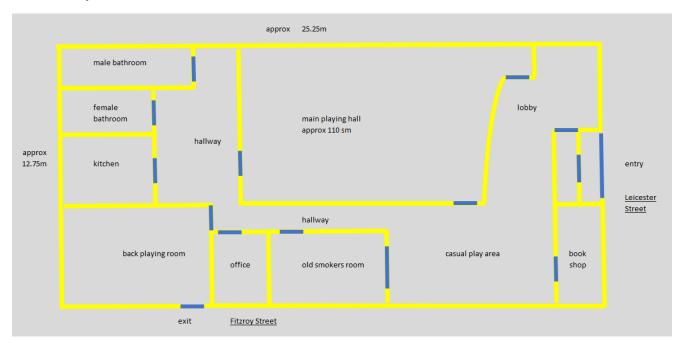
The renovation is an endeavour with significant expenses, which the MCC Committee hopes will be justified by long-term improvements to the Property. In recent years, MCC has had a period of financial stability due to support through participation and financial contributions by its members, players, and benefactors. Without this financial stability, the renovation would not have been possible. The MCC Committee hopes the MCC members and community will aid MCC's continued financial stability by fully embracing future fundraising events that will be announced in due course. The fundraising will include special Allegros (with the first planned for Saturday 19 August 2023) and an intention to set up an online portal for direct donations to MCC.

Finally, the MCC Committee wishes to acknowledge the contribution of a subcommittee comprising current MCC Treasurer Tony Tosevski, former MCC President Grant Szuveges and former MCC Secretary Hans Gao, whose hard work in determining improvements to the Property and procuring quotes from builders made the renovation possible.

MCC Committee 12 August 2023

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Current Layout



Proposed Final Layout

