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Review of Property Industries Continuing Professional Development Program

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**RE: Review of Property Industries Continuing Professional Development Program**

I am writing in response to the request for feedback regarding the review of WA's Property Industries Continuing Professional Development Program.

Strata Community Association (WA) is the peak industry body for body corporate and community title management (strata management) in Western Australia.

Our organisation currently operates under a 'self-regulation' model, maintaining specific rules and guidelines to regulate the operation of individual members, through the implementation of core standards and educational models.

In the future, our organisation will be pushing the strata sector towards the uptake of a co-regulated CPD model, seeking a mandatory amount of CPD to be completed per year as part of our proposals for increased professionalism in the industry, in cooperation with the government.

As such, the option we have selected in this consultation for the most favourable alternative option to the current CPD Program (option B), most closely mirrors the changes we would like to see implemented in our own industry, and consistent throughout the property sector in WA.

- Option B – Retain CPD as a mandatory requirement with some prescribed topics and potentially fewer overall units. Consumer Protection will no longer approve detailed course content and fund the CPD program.

Thank you for your consideration of this feedback. If you have any questions, please get in contact at [catherine\\_lezer@strata.community](mailto:catherine_lezer@strata.community)

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