

BUILDING AND / OR PURCHASE OF GUIDE HALLS

1. Districts should be aware that no building or purchase of a hall can be undertaken without the prior approval of the State Executive Committee.
2. Halls these days are very expensive and Girl Guides Victoria would strongly discourage a District from such an undertaking.
3. It is the policy of the Association that at least 50% of the money required for a hall should be in hand in actual cash before building or purchase of a hall commences. The reason for this is that we do not wish Support Groups to incur huge debts, which they find difficult to repay within a reasonable period.
4. A Support Group also has to consider:
 - a. Ongoing running expenses eg utility accounts, as these are continuous;
 - b. Maintenance such as painting, plumbing, etc, will be required from time to time;
 - c. Impact if the lease on the land is terminated at any time;
 - d. Whether there is a community or church hall available in your District;
 - e. Whether gas and power is already included in the rental;
 - f. Whether future development is expected in the area in say, five, ten or fifteen years;
 - g. Whether the number of girl members are likely to increase or decrease;
 - h. Whether there is a neighbouring District willing to share its hall and its costs; and
 - i. Any other fact or circumstance of material significance.