

# PUBLIC STATEMENT POLICY

#### **RATIONALE**

The Wesley College Trust Board authorises appropriate spokespeople to make public comments on behalf of the Board

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that:

- an appropriate person is authorised to make public statements on matters related to the governance of the hostels and Trust Board policy.
- an appropriate person is authorised to make public comments on matters related to the management of the hostels and Trust Board operations.
- all employees are advised that these are the authorisations and that only those authorised may make public comment related to Wesley College.

### **DEFINITION**

A public statement is any statement made to any media that expresses an opinion about or links an event to Wesley College matters.

## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE POLICY

- 1. The Chairperson of the Wesley College Trust Board is authorised to make public statements on matters related to the governance of the Wesley College hostels and Trust Board Policy.
- 2. The Chairperson may at his/her sole discretion delegate or authorise a Trust board member or Board Secretary to comment on his/her behalf on matters related to the governance of the Wesley College hostel and Trust Board policy.
- 3. The Principal is authorised to make public statements on matters related to the management of the Wesley College hostels and Trust Board operations.
- 4. The Principal may, at his/her sole discretion, delegate or authorise staff to provide comment on his behalf about Wesley College matters.
- 5. The Chairperson may, at his/her sole discretion, delegate or authorise staff to provide comment on his/her behalf about Wesley College matters.
- 6. Employees shall be advised of their obligation to adhere to the requirements of the Public Statement Policy.

This policy was adopted by the Wesley College Trust Board on 16 November 2023

Signed:	J Tasker	16 November 2023
	Chairperson	Date: