

Information Circular No: **2011/25** Date: 6 June 2011

TO: SENATORS, MEMBERS AND OTHER BUILDING OCCUPANTS

Disposal of cigarette butts at Parliament House

1 This Information Circular is a reminder that Parliament House became a smoke free building in 1991, and in 2007 the smoke free policy was extended to include certain courtyards and all carparks.

2 Ashtrays are provided in areas where smoking is permitted. Recently there has been an increase of cigarette butts in the courtyards and parts of the building.

3 Landscape Services staff must pick up discarded cigarette butts by hand, chemicals from the butts leach into the garden beds, and butts can be washed into stormwater drains.

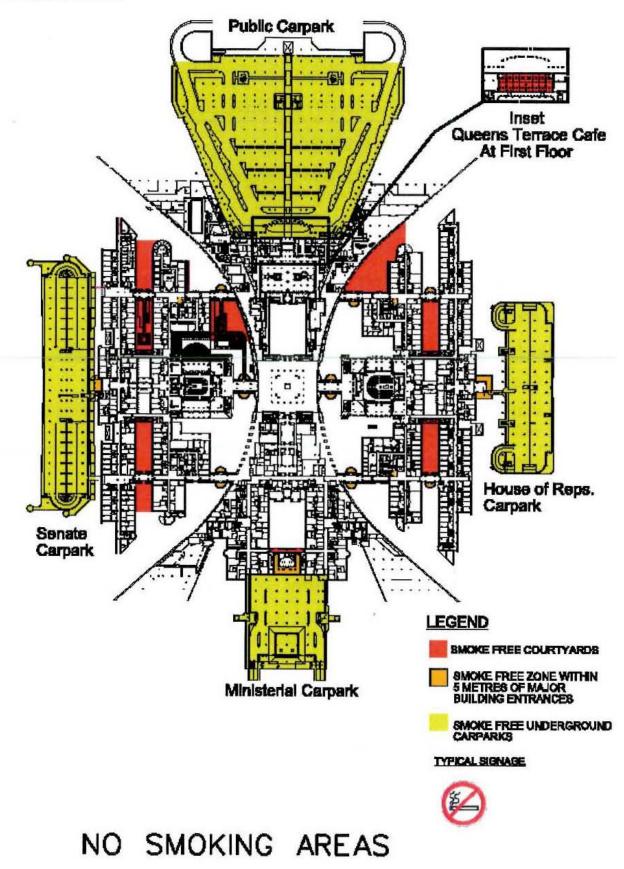
4 To ensure that Landscape Services staff do not have to continue with this unpleasant and preventable task, would all smokers please ensure that cigarette butts are correctly disposed of in the ashtrays provided.

5 As a reminder, please find attached a building plan that identifies the courtyards and major entrances where smoking is prohibited and permitted.

6 The policy of non-smoking at Parliament House can be found at this link: <u>http://www.aph.gov.au/visitors/smoking.pdf</u>

Alan Thompson Secretary

Attachment A



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