

Submission on discussion document: *Publication of Directors' Residential Addresses on the Companies Register*

Your name and organisation

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Organisation	

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Responses to discussion document questions

1	Do you have any comments of our assessment of the options for approaching directors' residential addresses on the Companies Register?
	No
2	What is your preferred option?
	While I appreciate that a very small number of individuals may have genuine and real concerns, I'm firmly of belief that the transparency the current regime provides is more than adequate
3	Are there interested parties who may have a legitimate reason to need to access directors' residential addresses? If so, who?
	Shareholders, researchers, charities who are looking to invest
4	Is there a public interest in directors' residential addresses being provided to third parties such as journalists?
	Yes. Journalists and researchers should be able to delve into the breadth of a directors interests
5	Under what circumstances should directors' residential addresses be released to an interested party?
	I see no valid reason to withhold residential addresses. Given that as an office holder at registered charities my residential address must be available. Likewise such details are

	generally available from the electoral rolls
6	Do you agree that government departments and agencies should have automatic access to directors' residential addresses?
	Yes
7	Should this access be limited to the enforcement of law or are there other situations where it may be appropriate for government departments and agencies to have access to directors' residential addresses?
	No
8	Are there other factors which you think should be included in considering approaches to directors' residential addresses in historic documents?
	For researchers and family historians this information is invaluable and therefore should not be withheld
9	Do you agree with our preferred approach to historic documents on the companies register?
	Option A would meet the needs of almost all directors
10	Have you encountered situations where you consider that members of the public have abused this provision? If so, please provide details.
	No
11	Do you agree that shareholders' residential addresses should be treated the same way as directors' residential addresses (ie replaced with an address for service)?
	I disagree with the address for service concept for both directors and shareholders.
12	Are there circumstances where third parties might have a legitimate interest in the residential address of a shareholder?
	None that I can contemplate
13	Do you think any changes need to be made to the residential address requirements for officers of other types of entities?
	No, again transparency is the name of the game

Other comments