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2020 Conference NSW/ACT Association of Family History Societies

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Some restrictions in relation to Covid-19 have recently eased while others are still firmly in place.

A decision will be made about the future of our 2020 Conference at the NSW/ACT Association of Family History Societies Management Committee Meeting via Zoom on June 14.

At that meeting a report detailing the current situation in relation to the conference will be presented. One of our major stumbling blocks at the moment is the 1.5m social distancing rule which impacts significantly on the number of registrations we would be able to accept. The 250-270 delegates we had hoped to attract would be significantly reduced as our venue, Wests New Lambton, must conform to the rules governing clubs and similar facilities. There are numerous other factors which also need to be taken into consideration.

While many of our regular conference attendees are keen for the 2020 Conference to go ahead in September if at all possible, others have expressed a reticence about attending any large events in the near future.

We are unable to delay the final decision past June 14 as the Conference Organising Committee has a considerable amount of work yet to complete if we are to present an event in keeping with the usual standard of our annual conferences.

Should the decision be made to cancel, the 2020 Conference would most likely become the 2022 Conference. Port Macquarie FHS has already begun work on next year's State Conference. The work we have already completed will simply be transferred to a future date as much as is possible.

An email detailing similar information has been forwarded to all of our speakers. Replies have already been forthcoming from many offering support and indicating

that they would be available to speak in either 2020 or 2022.

Further information will be made available once the NSW/ACT Association Management Committee has met on Sunday 14 June.



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