

**AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF SOIL SCIENCE INC**

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSES**

(amended 2005)

1. The name of the incorporated association is the Australian Society of Soil Science Incorporated.
2. The purposes for which the incorporated association is established are: -
  - a) To advance and promote the field of soil science providing a link between soil scientists and members of kindred bodies within Australia and other countries.
  - b) To further the expertise in soil science of members.
  - c) To be a forum for discussion on soil science.
  - d) To increase government and community awareness of soil science.
  - e) To liaise and co-operate with other organisations in support of mutual interests.
  - f) To encourage research and extension in soil science.
  - g) To promote wise management of the soil resources throughout Australia.
  - h) To provide such publications as may be considered desirable.
  - i) To provide funds on an annual basis to recognise merit in published research on soil science.
  - j) To encourage on-going professional development of soil scientists by means of a peer-assessed accreditation scheme.
  - k) To conduct any activities that will assist in attaining the above purposes.
3. Solely for furthering the purposes set out above the Society shall have power:
  - a) To become a member of, and co-operate with any other association, club or organisation whose aims are similar to those of the Society (i.e. a cognate institution).
  - b) To deal financially with items on behalf of and for the members of the Society or anyone at the Society's premises.
  - c) To manage and deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Society and to acquire any land, buildings, and any rights or privileges which may be used in connection with any of the above purposes of the Society.
  - d) To employ and dismiss persons required for the purposes of managing the Society's affairs and furthering the above purposes.
  - e) To borrow or raise money, either alone or jointly with anyone else, in an appropriate manner as advised by Council.
  - f) To take any gift or property for any of the above purposes of the Society.
  - g) To procure contributions to the funds of the Society by appeals, public meetings or otherwise, as appropriate.
  - h) To publish any newsletters, periodicals, books or leaflets that the Society deems appropriate to promote its above purposes.
  - i) To do anything else appropriate that promotes the above purposes of the Society