

Restaurant Association Snapshot Survey

Viewpoints on The Companies Act

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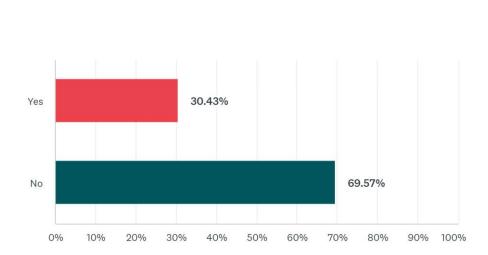
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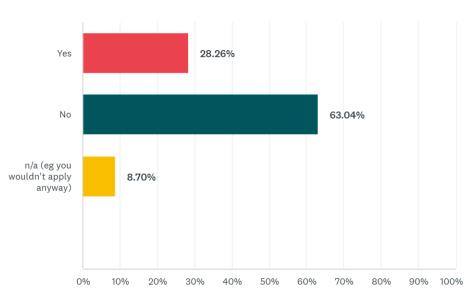


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Q.l. As a company director, have you ever had a safety concern regarding the public availability of your personal residential address?

Q.2. Would the requirement to complete a statutory declaration be a disincentive to you applying to unpublish your residential address from the companies register?

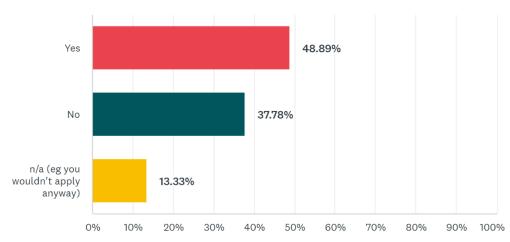






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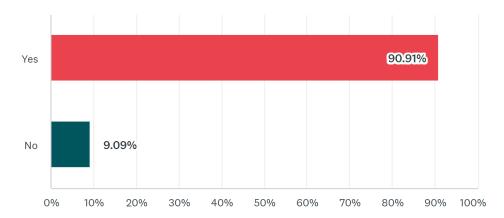
Q.3. Would the requirement to pay a fee be a disincentive to you applying to unpublish your residential address from the companies register?



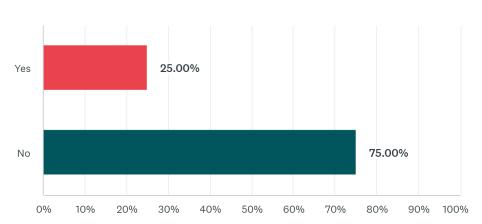
Q.4. How many people are listed as directors of your company?

Answer: Average = 2

Q.5. Are all directors of your company also shareholders in that company?



Q.6. Are there any shareholders in your company who are not directors?





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selected final comments:

I am always concerned that the residential address is published publicly on the government website. I also have concern about the food registration certificate which is compulsory to display for the customers as it also has our residential address displayed. I strongly believe that should be neither published nor displayed as it is concern of the privacy.

In my opinion this issue is pertinent to Directors of all companies.

The residence (read HOME) of an individual is often their only sanctuary/ ""safe harbour""/bastion of privacy. Having one's residential address details being easily accessible to 'all & sundry' is quite arguably a serious breach of privacy provisions, let alone exposing the individual to the possibility of ID theft, scams, physical harm events etc. In the modern world, where communication methods have evolved significantly, having just a formal address for Service (i.e serving notice) & Communication should be more than suffice.

I don't think that the option of having your home address kept private should just be made available to people who have specific concerns for their safety - I think this option should be available to everyone.

I do not wish my residential address to be public.

The introduction of the ability to decide if you want your information public would be very useful.

I feel the requirement to publicly list director home addresses is a gross infringement of privacy and potential safety of the individuals concerned.

Most small businesses have no problem with this - larger companies with more involvement / directors have this concern - why - more reason for disputes among the concerned.

Directors home address should not be listed and it isn't for public seeing.

I fully support any change that would mean our addresses aren't on display to the whole world. Having to pay wouldn't be great, but I definitely would if it would help the safety of my family

They should not be publishing personal addresses of any company directors or shareholders

The requirement for your full name to displayed for liquor licensing I think is an issue also - easy for people to be looked up online / stalked etc.

We have just leased a commercial property and I would happily pay for our home address to not be online purely for the concern of our family.

It would be great if it wasn't a requirement to have your home address listed publicly.

Our business address is our home address and we have always found it worrying especially because we have young children. It just is completely irrelevant to most businesses to have that information public.