

Invoice Hub Approver Instructions

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The Invoice Hub is not available by default and extra charges for this service may apply. Please contact your strata manager for more information.

The Invoice Hub facilitates the process of providing committee members with the ability to approve invoices waiting to be paid via the StrataMax Portal.

As an approver you will be able to view a scanned copy of the invoice, confirm the account code to be used for payment, raise a query with your strata manager to clarify further details or information, and approve the invoice for payment.

Approve Tab

Upon logging in, the initial screen will appear. When you click the *Invoice Hub* tab, the below screen will appear. Be aware that the screenshots in this article may be different (colours, logos, etc.) to your Portal.

The screenshot displays the StrataMax Online Portal interface. At the top, the StrataMax logo is on the left, and 'Viewing: Invoice Hub Demo', 'CHANGE', a user profile icon, and 'LOGOUT' are on the right. Below the logo is a navigation bar with 'Invoice Hub' and 'Approve | Summary | History | Settings' tabs. The main content area is titled 'Invoice Hub' and contains two primary sections: 'Invoices Awaiting your Approval' (labeled with a red circle '1') showing 'Anonymous Strata Developments [123456]' with a count of '8', and 'Anonymous Strata Management' (labeled with a red circle '2') showing details for 'Manager Name: Jon Anonymous', 'Building Name: Anonymous Strata Developments', 'Building Number: 123456', and 'Financial Report'. At the bottom, there are three process steps: '1. Approve' (labeled with a red circle '3'), '2. Summary' (labeled with a red circle '4'), and '3. History' (labeled with a red circle '5'). A red circle '6' is positioned over the 'Settings' tab in the navigation bar. The interface also includes a 'Font Size: A- A+ Reset' option and an 'Online Portal' label.

1. **Invoices Awaiting Your Approval:** This will list all properties that are linked to your StrataMax Portal Account where you are an approver of invoices. Clicking on the property will take you to the property's

listing all invoices awaiting your approval. This will also list any invoices that are partially approved, i.e. invoices that have been approved for payment by some, but not all required approvers and/or invoices on which a query has been raised by one or more approver(s) along with brand new invoices just submitted.

2. **Manager/Building Information:** This is a summary with general information about the building/plan, including financial statements and details of your strata manager.
3. **Approve:** This is another shortcut to the 'Approve Invoices' list, in a diagram demonstrating the approval process.
4. **Summary:** Shows current outstanding invoices requiring your approval and invoices that you have approved but is still awaiting approval from other approvers.
5. **History:** This shows invoices that have completed the approval process, i.e. that have been approved for payment by the minimum required number of approvers. These will only be stored / evident for up to 12 months, as a means to confirm why you may have received an 'approval required' notification, but then found no invoices awaiting your approval. Once an invoice is entirely approved by the minimum number of approvers, this is the only place it will show.
6. **Settings:** Settings allows you to configure whether you receive email notifications for invoices awaiting approval.

Summary Tab

The 'Summary' tab lists all invoices that are awaiting your approval and allows you to review the status of each invoice which is either 'Awaiting Approval', 'Part Approved' or 'On Hold'. If you are the second approver, then you will only see the invoice once the first approver has approved the invoice. You can also use the 'Filter by Status' function to limit your list to a particular status only.

1. Select *Summary* tab.
2. A summary of the invoices will be displayed.
3. Click the *View Details* button to display more info in the 'Approver Details' box, showing the approver names and date of their decision. It will also display more info in the 'Notes' box if there are any notes.
 - By selecting a 'Part Approved' invoice, the approver will be shown in 'Approval Details' at the bottom of the screen. By selecting an 'On Hold' invoice, the notes will be shown in 'Notes' at the bottom of the screen.

Invoice Summary

The below invoices show the invoices which have not been approved by all approvers. Use this page to review queries, invoice information and progress of invoices. This page is useful for quickly checking for replies to your queries on an invoice.

Select an invoice to quickly see approval details and notes for the invoice.

Invoice Summary						Show only current layer: <input type="checkbox"/>	Filter by Status: -- ALL --
	Invoice Status	Creditor Name	Entry Date	Invoice Number	Gross Amount		
	Awaiting Approval	BYO Mowing	10-Jun-2023	1234567890	\$120.00		
	Approved	DIY Pool Cleaning	11-Jun-2023	PP12345678	\$330.00		
	Part Approved	Paving Paving Paving	11-Jun-2023	INV1012354	\$1,320.00		
	Awaiting Approval	Drains R Us	09-Jun-2023	#000112	\$55.00		
	Part Approved	Pipeworks Plumbing	10-Jun-2023	87	\$165.00		
	Awaiting Approval	Crime Security Gates	09-Jun-2023	65478	\$220.00		
	On Hold	Bumpy Driveway Repairs	10-Jun-2023	1000324	\$440.00		
	Awaiting Approval	BYO Mowing	27-May-2023	1234567891	\$80.00		

Invoice Details for 'BYO Mowing'

The below tables contain the approval status of each approver and the notes (queries) that have been raised on the selected invoice.

Approval Details		Notes		
Approver	Decision Date	Name	Date	Note
	Tristan Collins	Andrew Bernard	11-Jun-2023	Correct Account Name
	Andrew Bernard	Jon Anonymous	11-Jun-2023	Have updated Account Name
	Bill Johnson	Andrew Bernard	10-Jun-2023	Account Name of 'Gardening', should be 'Maintenance'.

History Tab

Invoices that have been approved or finalised will be listed in the 'History' tab to allow approvers to review any aspect of the invoice approval process. Note that you will only ever be able to view invoices that have been allocated to you as an approver.

These invoices will be displayed for up to 12 months, to confirm why you may have received an 'approval required' e-mail. Once an invoice is entirely approved by the minimum number of approvers, this is the only place it will show.

- Click the *View Details* icon to review the details of the invoice, which committee members had approved the invoice, and any notes that were submitted.
- Click the *View Invoice* icon (PDF) to display the invoice on screen.
- Click the *View Invoice Details* icon (magnifying glass) to open the 'Invoice Details' window containing the invoice details, the invoice line items, and any notes that have been entered by your strata manager. Click *OK* once you have viewed the invoice.


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Approve | Summary | **History** | Settings

Invoice History




The 'History' table below lists invoices which have been approved by all required approvers. Select an invoice to view the approvals and notes.

Filter Invoices...

Approved Date	Creditor Name	Entry Date	Invoice Number	Gross Amount
	Crime Security Gates	04-Jun-2023	65477	\$220.00

Invoice Details for 'Crime Security Gates'

The tables below contain the approval details and notes (queries) that may have been raised by approvers for the selected invoice.

Approval Details	
Approver	Decision Date
 Annette Curtain	05-Jun-2023
 Tim Lu Fong	05-Jun-2023
 Tristan Collins	04-Jun-2023

Notes		
Name	Date	Note

Settings Tab

This screen is for turning your email notifications on or off. Turning them off to reduce the number of emails you're receiving is only recommended if you are logging in regularly, i.e. if you will be checking these screens regardless of whether you receive an 'approval required' notification or not. We strongly recommend to always have the notifications on. If you wish to turn off the notifications, then simply remove the tick from the 'Receive Email Notification' box and click the *UPDATE* button.

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Settings

The below setting(s) affect your StrataMax Portal Account. Any changes made here will be reflected for all properties linked to your StrataMax Portal Account.

Settings

Receive Invoice Hub Email Notifications

UPDATE

How to Approve Invoices

Once your Strata Manager has uploaded invoices to the Invoice Hub for your approval, you will receive an email from no-reply@stratamax.com.au (we recommend whitelisting this address so that it doesn't go to your spam/junk email) such as this:

Original recipient: TEST@test.com.au

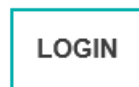


Invoices Awaiting Your Approval

Invoices have been submitted and are awaiting your approval on the StrataMax Portal Invoice Hub for [REDACTED]

Your login is: TEST@test.com.au

Use the following link to login to the StrataMax Portal Invoice Hub to review the invoices:



If the link does not open it may have been blocked by your browser, please copy the link and paste it into the address bar of your browser.

<https://www.stratamax-com-au/Portal/>

This is a system generated email. Please do not reply directly to this email as it may not be delivered. If you have any questions relating to this email, please contact your Body Corporate Manager (ABC Strata)

By clicking the **LOGIN** button, your browser will open and present you with the StrataMax Portal login screen. If you have problems logging in due to a password issue, you can reset your password by following the steps in our [Forgot Password FAQ](#).

Invoices can have different statuses, but all of them are approved the same way.

- **Awaiting Approval:** The invoice is awaiting your approval.
- **Part Approved:** The invoice has already gained approval from one or more committee members and needs your approval as well. You can review who approved the invoice and when they approved it by looking at the details for it in the *Summary* tab.
- **On Hold:** The bodycorp/strata manager has responded to a query that you previously submitted for this invoice, so you can review it and approve.

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1. Select the *Approve* tab and you will be presented with a list of invoices for approval.

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Approve Invoices

The below invoices are outstanding and require action on your part. Queried invoices will be displayed below until the invoice is approved.

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2. Optionally, you can click the PDF icon to view the invoice.

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View Invoice

3. You can also click the magnifying glass icon to open the 'Invoice Details' window containing the invoice details, the invoice line items, and any notes that have been entered by your strata manager. Click *OK* once you have viewed the invoice.

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⚠ Part Approved	DIY Pool Cleaning	06-Jun-2023	PP12345678	\$330.00	✓	🔍

Invoice Details

Invoice Number: 1234567890
 Entry Date: 05-Jun-2023
 File: (Click icon to view a scanned copy of the invoice)
 Status: Awaiting Approval

Details | Line Items | Notes (0)

Creditor Name: BYO Mowing
 Creditor Number: 654321
 Gross Amount: \$120.00

OK

- Click green 'Approve' icon to move a single invoice, or click the 'APPROVE ALL NON-QUERIED' button to move all invoices to the 'Confirm Changes' section further down the screen.

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- The invoice(s) you have selected will now be moved to the 'Confirm Changes' section further down the screen (you may need to scroll down to see it).


Confirm Changes				
Creditor Name	Entry Date	Invoice Number	Gross Amount	
✓ BYO Mowing	05-Jun-2023	1234567890	\$120.00	🔍

SUBMIT CHANGES

- When all invoices you want to approve are ready, click the *Submit Changes* button, and you will be prompted to confirm that you want to 'Accept X change' you have made, click Yes. Another confirmation will appear to let you know that your changes have been submitted.
- This will finalise the approval process at your end so your strata manager can pay the invoices.

How to Query Invoices

Once you have viewed the invoice and details you may have a query. To submit a query to your strata manager, proceed as follows.

1. Click the query icon.  .
2. Add your query in the Query Reason box.
3. Click *Confirm*.
4. Any invoices that have been approved or queried will be displayed in the 'Confirm Changes' section.
5. Click *Submit Changes* to confirm status update.
6. Click Yes to 'Accept all Changes'.