

#### **Membership Policy**

## Purpose:

To facilitate the engagement of the community through financial membership that both sustain the station and guarantee its accountability to the community.

# Membership:

Members of Bayside Community Radio Association (BCRA) are required to support its purposes and comply with the rules of the association (Constitution), a publicly available document that outlines the members' rights, responsibilities, voting and other meeting processes and procedures for the election, roles, and responsibilities of the Management Committee (Board).

Members of the board must be individual financial members of the association.

Membership application forms are made available on the station's website, at the premises or by post on request. Completed applications for membership are to be received in the first instance to the Membership Secretary and then submitted to the board for approval before membership is granted.

Where an application for Membership has been rejected by the board, the rejected application can request written reasons for the rejection which will be forwarded in writing within 14 days of the receipt of an application.

### Membership Fee:

Initial membership feeds and annual renewal fees are inclusive of GST. All annual memberships shall become due on the first of July in any given calendar year.

### Membership categories:

The rules of the association set out the categories of Membership of the Association:

- 1. Ordinary members: only natural persons are eligible to be admitted to this class of membership and shall be such persons who have satisfied the criteria for membership and are financial.
- 2. Community members: is available to local not-for profit community groups and no membership fee is required.
- 3. Life members: must be an ordinary member who in the opinion of the members of the Association, made an outstanding contribution over a long period of time to the advancement of the objectives of the Association.