

Launceston Community FM Group Inc

MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Code of Practice 1.4

Membership of City Park Radio (7LTN)

City Park Radio encourages applications for membership from people of all ages who enjoy community radio and wish to support the station in its activities.

Membership is open to all individuals, families and our local area's community organizations and businesses, provided they support the purposes of Launceston Community FM Group Inc. and the ethos of community radio.

There will be no discrimination against persons on grounds of ethnicity, race, language, gender, sexuality, age, physical or mental ability, occupation, religious, cultural or political beliefs.

There is a singular membership tier payable annually.

The membership year is July to June or part thereof.

The cost of membership is reviewed and set by the Management Committee each year.

City Park Radio will maintain a database of members with their contact and payment details.

Life Membership is awarded with the consent of members at a Special General Meeting. Life members will be entitled to all benefits of financial membership.

Persons who are bankrupt cannot apply for membership nor retain their membership of City Park Radio whilst bankrupt.

Persons charged with a criminal offence cannot apply for membership nor retain their volunteer status with City Park Radio whilst proceedings are before the court. Persons convicted of an offence may apply for membership at the end of the period the court has set as the penalty for the verdict.

The Management Committee reserves the right not to accept an application for membership if it is of the opinion to do so will adversely affect the reputation of City Park Radio in the community.

Explanation of Membership

Individual Membership: For any individual wishing to support the purposes of City Park Radio

Family Membership: For all the members of one family, with one member nominated to exercise a vote at Special General Meetings and Annual General Meetings.

Community Organization or Business: A business or community organization that support the rules and regulations of community radio may become a member and nominate a person to represent it, and vote on behalf of that organisation.

Principles of Financial Membership

All volunteers must be financial members, that is, they have paid their annual membership fees that are due for the current financial year.

Financial Members have the right to:

- know as much about City Park Radio as possible, its policies, people and programs
- become volunteers or presenters subject to City Park Radio Policies
- be heard, to feel free to make suggestions and to be given respect for honest and constructive opinion
- vote for new office bearers at the Annual General Meeting
- speak to and vote on any special resolutions presented at Annual or Special General Meetings
- be elected onto the Management Committee at the Annual General Meeting

Financial Members have the responsibility to:

- become aware of, accept and abide by the Rules of City Park Radio
- pay their subscriptions fees promptly when they are notified that the subscription is due
- promote the interests of community radio in the City Park Radio broadcast area
- when volunteering, carry out their duties in a competent and professional manner
- immediately advise the management committee if a personal issue has the potential to impact on the reputation of City Park Radio.

City Park Radio has the right to:

- expect members to become aware of all rules and decisions that apply to members
- suspend or dismiss members in accordance with station policies and procedures.

City Park Radio has the responsibility to:

- give members fourteen (14) days notice of an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting and any special resolution pertaining to those meetings
- carefully consider members' suggestions and comments
- provide members with ready access to the Management Committee and welcome members to ordinary meetings of committees
- provide members with access to all Policies and Procedures and Rules through the Management Committee or via the City Park Radio office.