



## **CENTRAL HUNTER COMMUNITY BROADCASTERS INCORPORATED**

### **Codes of Practice - Membership Policy**

This policy outlines the rights and responsibilities of financial members of Central Hunter Community Broadcasters Incorporated (2CHR).

#### **Overview**

2CHR is a not for profit association that provides community broadcast services for the Cessnock and Maitland Local Government areas.

2CHR encourages applications for membership from people of all ages throughout the broadcast area and beyond.

#### **Membership Categories of the Association are:**

- Individual member
- Concession member (holder of a Commonwealth concession card)
- Family member
- Life Member
- Organisation (not for profit)
- Corporate or business entity

**Individual** members, **Concession** members and **Life** members are entitled to vote at Special General Meetings and Annual General Meetings after twelve months membership and may be nominated for the Committee of Management after twelve months continuous membership.

**Family members** may become a member of 2CHR as a group and nominate a person to represent and vote on their behalf after twelve months membership. The nominee can nominate for the Committee of Management after twelve months continuous membership.

**Corporate or Business entities and Not for Profit Organisations** may become a members of the association however while a nominee may attend meetings of the association they are not entitled to vote or nominate for the Committee of Management.

We encourage financial members to participate by:

- Attending regular General Meetings and the Annual General Meeting
- Getting involved in the Management Committee and its sub-committees, to that the members have the opportunity to make recommendations on a range of matters, e.g.: fundraising; community engagement; program content
- Attending training and social functions when available
- Assisting in identification of parts of the community that are not served sufficiently in the programming.

Responsibilities of the organisation to its financial members.

The 2CHR Committee will:

- Oversee the financial and operational tasks of the station.

- Appoint a Station Manager and also other officers for particular tasks.
- Conduct monthly Committee Meetings, including regular General Meetings, and as soon as practicable after the end of the financial year, an Annual General Meeting.

General Meetings will:

- Present reports by officers on all aspects of the organisations operation and field questions and requests from the floor.

The Annual General Meeting will:

- Present reports by officers on all aspects of the organisations operation and field questions and requests from the floor.
- Present an audited annual financial report.
- Conduct the annual election of the Committee of Management.