



LIVERPOOL-FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY RADIO CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

ABN 58 832 839 936

Community Engagement & Participation Policy

Introduction

In accordance with Section 3 of the Community Broadcasting Codes of Practice, radio stations are required to ensure that people in their community, who are not adequately served by other media are encouraged and assisted to participate in providing our service.

2.1 We will have in place policies and procedures to support this commitment. We will document evidence of our efforts to encourage community participation.

2.2 Our policies and procedures will include mechanisms to enable active participation by our community in station management, programming and general operations.

Purpose

2GLF is required to engage with the local community we represent and encourage community participation. This policy outlines the ways in which 2GLF will ensure that people in our community, who are not adequately served by other media, are encouraged and assisted to participate in providing our service.

Policy

- 2GLF will encourage members of the communities we serve to participate in the operations of our stations
- 2GLF will encourage members of the communities we serve to participate in the selection and provision of programs
- 2GLF will continue to represent the community interest we represent at the time our licence was last renewed
- 2GLF will use a range of initiatives and measures to encourage community participation, and to ensure that it represents the community interest. No single activity or initiative alone is likely to result in compliance with the community participation and community representation requirements.
- Membership and member involvement is encouraged as key ways for communities to participate in the operations and programming of 2GLF
- 2GLF will monitor and respond to the changing needs of the communities we serve
- 2GLF has an appropriate organisational structure, regularly takes steps to identify the needs of the communities we serve, and has a program schedule which reflects the needs of the communities we serve.



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Community Engagement

2GLF members will engage with local groups and organisations, such as municipalities, business groups, community organisations such as youth groups, sporting clubs and other clubs. Members will use their contacts within other not-for-profit organisations to expand membership, station participation and mutual service provision.

2GLF will attend local events within our broadcast area. We will use these opportunities to engage with the local community, promote the station and encourage members of the local community to listen and get involved.

Members of the community are welcome to visit the studio, may observe programmes going to air, and be provided a guided tour of the studios at open days, invitations and by appointment.

2GLF encourages programming proposals from members of the community within the official broadcast area, including community groups and individuals.

Not-for-profit organisations and individuals may have access to programming, such as community service announcements, interviews, occasional programmes, regular programmes or outside broadcasts.

Community programming will include but not be limited to content about:

- Community organisations (not-for-profit)
- Public institutions (community centres, museums, galleries, etc)
- Emergency services
- Special interest clubs
- Local history and other local societies
- Languages other than English
- Local or national events and commemorations
- Sports content and broadcasts
- Unsigned musicians and other artists
- Youth organisations, issues and content.

The station will prioritise programming based on the needs of the community within the official broadcast area.

2GLF encourages policy and programming discussions from the community.



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Community Participation

2GLF sees itself as an active part of the community we serve, and sees this participation as a two-way relationship. We will continue to use a variety of ways to encourage participation in the wider operations of the organisation.

Members of the community will be encouraged to volunteer their services at 2GLF, in whatever role is appropriate to their skills and interests. Training for a variety of roles in the organisation will be provided. In the case of non-presenter roles, this training will be provided free of charge.

2GLF will make the studios open to participation by members of the community, both as individuals and as representatives of organisations.

Community members may contribute to the station by:

- Volunteering in a number of different roles
- Making programming proposals
- Contributing to programming
- Discussing policy development
- Being interviewed as a subject matter expert
- Becoming a Member or making a financial donation
- Requesting Community Service Announcements on behalf of their community organisation.

Membership is open to all who apply. In accordance with the rules of the co-operative, the 2GLF board will consider every application.

2GLF affirms the right of members to participate in discussions of policy and programming, and to seek volunteering roles in which they may more directly influence policies, procedures, programming and the running of the station.

Listeners and members will have the right to query policy and comment upon programme quality and content, and receive a considered and thoughtful response.

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