



COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION POLICY

Adopted by The Committee of Management: October 23 2025

1. Introduction

Casey Radio is independent and community controlled. We provide access to media for under-represented communities and have regard to our First Nations Engagement and Programming obligations.

Casey Radio is required under its broadcasting licence and through its adherence to the Community Broadcasting Codes of Practice to meet its community interest.

Casey Radio's community interest is categorised as 'general' on its broadcasting service licence certificate. In meeting its community interest, Casey Radio will provide informative and entertaining community broadcasting with the aim of satisfying a wide diversity of community taste.

Casey Radio is required to operate as a not-for-profit community association and to undertake all measures necessary to provide a radio broadcasting service to encourage, enable and facilitate communication within the community by operating and developing community media activities serving the general population.

Casey Radio will:

In our activities and behaviour ensure that people are given the same opportunities as others in similar situations. We oppose discrimination on the basis of age, disability, mental ill-health, medical conditions, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, race, nationality, culture, religion or being from a lower socio-economic community.

Enable and facilitate communication within the community by broadcasting programs dealing with local issues, events, culture and activities.

Provide the opportunity for community groups and related associations, organisations and individuals to be involved in the production and presentation of original programs.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Casey Radio includes strategies to effectively engage with and represent its community of interest and to enable active participation by its community in

station management, programming and general operations. This policy states how we put community participation into practice.

3. Scope

This policy applies to:

Presenters	CoM Members	Volunteers	Guests	Contractors
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4. Policy

As a community-based, volunteer-run, not-for-profit association Casey Radio relies on members of the community for its ongoing operation, administration and on-air programming.

Through transparent governance:

- 4.1. Casey Radio will regularly seek to increase its level of community participation in all its operations.
- 4.2. Casey Radio will articulate and develop the strategies it uses to encourage community participation in the station's operations and in the selection and provision of programming.
- 4.3. Casey Radio will encourage individuals and families living in and visiting our broadcast area to become members of Casey Radio and invite them to fully participate in all aspects of the station's operation and broadcast.
- 4.4. Casey Radio will encourage local community groups to become members of Casey Radio and invite them to fully participate in all aspects of the station's operation and broadcast.
- 4.5. Casey Radio will ensure that it meets the needs and interests of the local community in the following ways:
 - 4.5.1. provide regular on-air announcements encouraging new members
 - 4.5.2. provide training programs to potential volunteers to enhance their involvement in the station
 - 4.5.3. provide access to information about Casey Radio through our website, Facebook page and social media to raise awareness of Casey Radio in the community
 - 4.5.4. provide community service announcements about local activities and interviews with local people to encourage regular participation of those in our broadcast area

- 4.5.5. provide opportunities for local youth to be involved in producing quality programs for their peers and the entire community.
 - 4.5.6. provide opportunities for our older residents to be involved in producing quality programs for their peers and the entire community
 - 4.5.7. seek to involve and seek advice from our First Nations community in the production of programs focusing on Indigenous Australians and issues
 - 4.5.8. maintain partnerships with the Cities of Casey and Greater Dandenong as key stakeholder in our community interest
 - 4.5.9. seek opportunities to engage with other local community groups
 - 4.5.10. provide opportunities for Casey Radio members to take part in areas of interest indicated on their application for membership.
- 4.6. Casey Radio will endeavour to have a Committee of Management that has the expertise to adequately govern the association.
- 4.7. Casey Radio will continue its efforts to maintain existing sponsors and develop new sponsors.
- 4.8. Casey Radio will encourage our membership to seek nomination to our Committee of Management and Subcommittees.
- 4.9. Casey Radio will encourage presenters who use social media to promote their shows to their peers as well as on Casey Radio's website & Facebook page.
- 4.10. Casey Radio will ensure sponsors and donors are acknowledged on the Casey Radio website.

5. Contact information

Should you require further information or assistance, please contact the Secretary:
secretary@caseyradio.com.au