

BARWON REGION COUNCIL
MEMBER POSITION DESCRIPTION

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Region Council is to provide constructive guidance and recommendations to the AFL Victoria Board using a collection of skills, knowledge and expertise, from a broad collection of backgrounds, on a range of strategic and demographical issues that arise in the administration of Australian Football within the Barwon Region (**Region**).

2. Role of Region Council

2.1 The Region Council:

2.1.1 shall act in accordance with any directions of the AFL Victoria Board, including the Terms of Reference prescribed by the AFL Victoria Board;

2.1.2 shall act in an advisory capacity only;

2.1.3 shall make recommendations to the AFL Victoria Board.

2.2 The Region Council will meet a minimum of four (4) times per calendar year.

2.3 The Region Council will consist of a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of five (5) members including the Chairperson.

3. Role and responsibilities of Region Council members

The roles and responsibilities of Region Council members include:

3.1 providing advice and recommendations that are in the best interests of the Region for the AFL Victoria Board's consideration regarding:

3.1.1 changes or modification to any rules, regulations and by-laws that relate to the Region, including regarding club transfers and player points;

3.1.2 proposed new rules, regulations and by-laws that affect the Region;

3.1.3 competition structure, including age group determinations;

3.1.4 participation deliverables;

3.1.5 club development opportunities in the Region; and

3.1.6 growth opportunities for the Region;

3.2 working collaboratively with the AFL Victoria Board to ensure any changes or modifications to the Region structure and any rules, regulations and by-laws that relate to the Region are consistent with the spirit of the Laws of Australian Football;

3.3 working collaboratively with the AFL Victoria Board and the AFL Victoria appointed Region Manager (**Region Manager**) to ensure Region leagues comply with their affiliation agreements and the relevant rules, regulations and by-laws;

- 3.4 assisting the AFL Victoria Board and the Region Manager in the prosecution and resolution of football disputes, issues and appeals that arise in the Region from time to time under the relevant rules, regulations and by-laws or otherwise;
- 3.5 sharing knowledge and information with the AFL Victoria Board about the history of the Region's competitions and structures to assist and support decision making processes; and
- 3.6 any other role or responsibility delegated to the Region Council and its members by the AFL Victoria Board in accordance with AFL Victoria's constitution from time to time.

4. Qualifications and selection criteria

- 4.1 Region Council members must possess a mix of skills and expertise relevant to the purpose, roles and responsibilities set out above, including but not limited to the following:
 - 4.1.1 strong governance experience including previous board roles;
 - 4.1.2 strategic leadership;
 - 4.1.3 strategic risk management;
 - 4.1.4 legal;
 - 4.1.5 leading cultural and organisational change;
 - 4.1.6 marketing, advertising, sponsorship;
 - 4.1.7 infrastructure development;
 - 4.1.8 stakeholder engagement, corporate/social/organisational responsibility, issues management;
 - 4.1.9 government relations/knowledge;
 - 4.1.10 sports management; and
 - 4.1.11 climate and environment.
- 4.2 When appointing Region Council members, the AFL Victoria Board will have regard to the overall needs of the Region and the relevant skills and expertise required on the Region Council.

5. Nomination

- 5.1 The position of Region Council member is a voluntary position and will be for a term not exceeding three (3) years.
- 5.2 Please contact Lisa Patterson at lisa.patterson@afl.com.au for nomination enquiries.