



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CESSNOCK VINEYARD DISTRICT COMMUNITY WORKING GROUP

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APPLICATION DETAILS

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT

Cessnock City Council is inviting expressions of interest from members of the community to participate in a Vineyard District Community Working Group. The role of the Working Group is to help inform the Cessnock Vineyard District Planning Project and will not be ongoing.

Council is seeking expressions of interest from a range of landowners, viticulturalists and wine tourism professionals to obtain a broad range of views regarding the Vineyard District at Cessnock. The Working Group will comprise up to fifteen people and participation is voluntary.

Not all expressions of interest will be successful. Expressions of interest will be assessed against the following criteria:

- The submission of a complete expression of interest, including a written response to the criteria;
- You accept the role is voluntary;
- You are committed to attending all Working Group meetings/workshops, including any meetings onsite;
- You live or predominantly work in the Vineyard District;
- You are able to demonstrate substantial knowledge and experience of the wine or tourism industry in Cessnock; and
- You are able to demonstrate that your views are representative of multiple landowners in the Pokolbin wine sub-region.
- If successful, you will abide by Council's Code of Conduct.

Importantly, Council will assess expressions of interest with a view of obtaining representation from a diverse range of our wine country community.

In order to be considered by Council, Expressions of interest must be received by **5.00pm on 25 March 2019** and should quote "59/2018/4 – Vineyard District Planning Project". Expressions of Interest should be addressed to The General Manager and can be submitted via:

- Email to council@cessnock.nsw.gov.au; or
- Post to PO Box 152, CESSNOCK NSW 2325

APPLICANT DETAILS

Surname		First Name	
Company			
Postal Address		PO Box	Telephone
Suburb	State	Postcode	Mobile
Email			

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

All relevant supporting information must be attached to this Expression of Interest form, including a response to the criteria outlined above.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The interest I declare is:

Pecuniary Interest for the reason that:

Non-Pecuniary Interest Significant Conflict for the reason that:

Non-Pecuniary Interest Less than significant Conflict for the reason that:

Signature:

Date:



Conflict of Interest:

A conflict of interests exists where a reasonable and informed person would perceive that you could be influenced by a private interest in carrying out your role on the Working Group. Private interests can be of two types: pecuniary or non-pecuniary.

What is a Pecuniary Interest?

A pecuniary interest is an interest that a person has in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to the person.

A person will also be taken to have a pecuniary interest in a matter if that person's spouse or de facto partner or a relative of the person or a partner or employer of the person, or a company or other body of which the person, or a nominee, partner or employer of the person is a member, has a pecuniary interest in the matter.

What is a Non-Pecuniary Conflict of Interest?

Non-pecuniary interests are private or personal interests that do not amount to a pecuniary interest. These commonly arise out of family, or personal relationships, or involvement in sporting, social or other cultural groups and associations and may include an interest of a financial nature.

As a general rule, a non-pecuniary conflict of interests will be significant where a matter does not raise a pecuniary interest but it involves:

- a) a relationship with another person that is particularly close, for example, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, lineal descendant or adopted child of the person or of the person's spouse, current or former spouse or partner, de facto or other person living in the same household; or
- b) other relationships that are particularly close, such as friendships and business relationships. Closeness is defined by the nature of the friendship or business relationship, the frequency of contact and the duration of the friendship or relationship; or
- c) affiliation with an organisation, sporting body, club, corporation or association that is particularly strong.

In carrying out your role on the Working Group, you must avoid or appropriately manage any conflict of interest. The onus is on you to identify any conflict of interest and take the appropriate action to manage the conflict.

Any conflict of interest must be disclosed and managed to uphold the probity of council decision-making. When considering whether or not you have a conflict of interest, it is always important to think about how others would view your situation.