



Expression of Interest Guide

Brisbane Valley Rail Trail Steering Committee

Overview

The Brisbane Valley Rail Trail (BVRT) Strategic Plan was adopted in 2021 to guide the future management and development of the BVRT, and ensure better collaboration between state and local governments, and the community. A key recommendation of the Strategic Plan was to establish an inclusive governance and management framework for the BVRT. The adopted framework is composed of a Steering Committee (the Committee) and an Advisory Group, who advise and make recommendations to the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) Executive on matters concerning the operation, development, marketing and promotion of the BVRT. As the owner of the BVRT corridor, TMR retains the ultimate decision-making powers under this framework.

The Committee proposes recommendations to the BVRT Advisory Group, which in turn considers, then provides its recommendations to the TMR Executive for a final decision.

Membership is on a voluntary basis.

For more information, please refer to the BVRT Strategic Plan available on TMR's website <https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/BVRT/About-BVRT>

Purpose

The Committee provides the community with an avenue to share ideas, provide recommendations and identify opportunities relating to the management and development of the BVRT, including delivery of the strategic outcomes identified within the Strategic Plan. This includes, but is not restricted to, the following areas:

- operations and maintenance
- event management
- marketing, communication and promotion
- history and heritage
- identification of new projects.

Representation

The representation of the Committee comprises of:

- four local government representatives – one representative per local government area
- one representative from TMR
- nine representatives from the community.



Community representatives on the Committee are appointed for a two-year term, unless otherwise agreed to by the BVRT Advisory Group. Following resignation of some of the inaugural Steering Committee, there are now positions available for new representatives.

Time commitment

Committee meetings will be held at least four times per year. The meetings are anticipated to be approximately two hours long and will be held on a weekday (likely 4–6 pm) either online or in person at Fernvale, Esk or Moore. Committee Members are expected to be available to attend the majority of the scheduled meetings.

Selection criteria

Expressions of interest are invited from members of the public to become a community representative on the Committee. To be considered for a position on the Committee, candidates will need to demonstrate the following:

- relevant qualifications, skills or experience in sports and recreation, tourism, events management, business, marketing or land management
- interest and involvement in any locally based sporting, advocacy, landcare, heritage or volunteer organisations
- ability to contribute to the strategic development of the BVRT
- knowledge and understanding of the local issues that are relevant to the management and operation of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail
- ability to represent a broad range of views that reflect the diversity of the community.

Lodging an application

To express your interest in a position on the Committee, please submit an application outlining which group/s you represent within the community, what qualities you would bring to the Committee and that addresses the Selection Criteria (maximum two pages).

Note, if representing a particular organisation or group, candidates must demonstrate they have the support from within their organisation to be a representative on the BVRT Steering Committee.

Applications should be forwarded to the BVRT Project Team via the below post or email addresses:

Email: BVRT_Steering_Committee@tmr.qld.gov.au

Please note that expressions of interest are to be submitted by 5 pm, Tuesday 21 November 2023.

Applications will be assessed by the BVRT Advisory Group with recommendations provided to the TMR Executive for final approval. Following this, all applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of the expression of interest process.

Thank you for your interest in being part of the BVRT Steering Committee.