

Use of Chittering Community Bus

Policy Owner:	Corporate Services
Person Responsible:	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
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Objective

To provide guidelines defining the eligibility and criteria for the use of the Shire of Chittering community bus.

SCOPE

This policy applies at to all requests for the use of the Community Bus.

Use of the Community Bus is restricted to Shire community groups and community members (except state public service providers at the discretion of the CEO).

Policy

The community bus is provided as a service to not for profit community groups based in the Shire of Chittering only.

For individuals and organisations in the Shire of Chittering other than community groups, use of the bus will require specific approval of the Chief Executive Officer.

Examples of organisations that may be eligible to use the bus are:

- Schools, where it can be demonstrated that it is not practical to hire a commercially available bus, use a bus of their own, or where it is a one off emergency situation;
- Professional Associations, Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Organisations, where it can be demonstrated that the use of the bus will benefit the wider community, or attending an event that promotes sports in Chittering approved by the Chief Executive Officer;
- Church groups, where the benefits from the use of the bus will benefit the broader community.

No group will be eligible to use the bus in a capacity to make a profit from providing travel to paying customers, or to provide a charter service to another group.

The proposed driver of the bus must have a current motor vehicle licence (manual), LR Class, (F endorsed in the case of use for charter).

All users of the bus will be required to pay the hire fee (as per the current Fees and Charges Schedule) to the Shire of Chittering and adhere to the Conditions of Use document.

Community groups are exempt from the fees and charges and will not be required to pay the bond for the hire of the bus.

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