

# Local residents' association

# Aims and objectives

- To represent, serve and advance the interests of residents, particularly those vulnerable or less able to represent themselves
- To safeguard and enhance the environment, heritage and community values for the future wellbeing of residents and visitors
- To bring residents together and foster sense of community

#### Governance

- Managed by a committee elected by members
- Regular meetings to discuss and decide on matters affecting the association and the community
- Adherence to a constitution outlining the roles and responsibilities of committee members
- Incorporated organisation under relevant legislation.

#### Structure

- Generally comprise a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and general committee members
- Subcommittees or working groups may be formed for specific projects or initiatives.

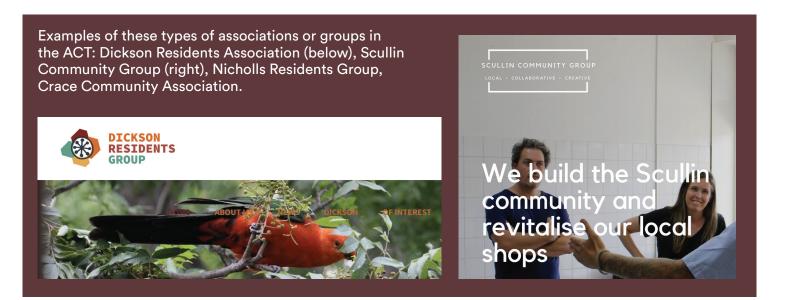
Residents'
associations
or community
organisations that
have been established by
residents to advocate for the
interests of the community
and to bring residents
together and foster
a sense of
community

## **Funding**

- Fundraising activities (e.g. community events, sponsorship)
- Grants or subsidies from local government or charitable organisations
- Membership fees or voluntary contributions.

### Membership

- Membership is open to all residents within the community
- Benefits of membership may include voting rights, access to association resources, and participation in activities.



# What they do (events, projects, assets)

- Lobby or advocate for new shopping or residential precincts
- Undertake local projects like beautification efforts, park maintenance, or graffiti removal
- Manage community assets such as community centres, libraries, or recreational facilities.

# Who they connect to or provide advice to

- The resident association connects with and provides a voice for its members on local issues.
- Collaborate with government representatives, community councils, and other community groups.
- Provide advice and feedback to relevant authorities on proposed developments, policies, and regulations affecting the community.
- Liaise with local businesses, schools, and social service organisations to address community needs and concerns.



