



POLICY NAME: FLAG MANAGEMENT POLICY

POLICY No: 7.16

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to establish a procedure to consider requests for flying flags of significance that celebrate Brighton's diverse communities and promote community inclusion and connection.

SCOPE:

This policy applies to the three (3) flag poles located at the Brighton Civic Centre, 25 Greenpoint Road, Bridgewater.

POLICY:

Community groups and members may apply to have a flag flown at the Civic Centre (for set periods of time to be stipulated at the time of application) as related to the celebration of significant events or days/weeks of significance. In these instances, the Tasmanian flag would be replaced with the flag of significance for the specified period of time.

Council recognises that the Australian National Flag should be treated with respect and dignity and will observe, as far as practicable, the Australian National Flag Protocols.

The Australian National Flag and Aboriginal flag will continue to be displayed in accordance with Australian National Flag Protocols along with the flag of significance for the set period of time.

Community flag requests must be consistent with Council's values and commitment to inclusiveness as outlined in our Strategic Plan and other key documents, such as the LGBTIQA+ Action Plan 2026. Where a request to fly a community flag is approved, the flag would be flown for the specified event or timeframe only.

Council is responsible for considering and approving/rejecting applications to fly a community flag. A 'Community Flag Application Form' (as attached) is to be submitted to Council a minimum of 45 calendar days prior to the proposed date/s to allow time for necessary Council approval.

If the application is approved, it will be the responsibility of the applicant to provide Council with the required flag prior to the date/s the flag is to be flown. Flags must be in an appropriate condition for flying (i.e. not torn or faded).

LEGISLATION:

Flags Act 1953

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS:

Policy compiled: June 2026

Adopted by Council: 16 June 2026

To be reviewed: June 2030



**Brighton
Council**

COMMUNITY FLAG APPLICATION FORM

Applications must be received a minimum of 45 calendar days prior to the proposed date/s to allow time for relevant Council approvals.

APPLICANT DETAILS:	
Name:	
Organisation & Position <i>(if applicable):</i>	
Address:	
Mobile:	
E-mail:	
Date application submitted:	
FLAG DETAILS:	
Description of flag to be flown:	
Proposed start date:	
Proposed end date:	
Background information: <i>(please outline why you are requesting the flag to be flown & attach any supporting documentation)</i>	
COUNCIL USE ONLY:	
Date submitted to OCM:	
Approved/Rejected:	
Applicant Notified:	

NOTE:

Where an application to fly a flag is approved, it is the responsibility of the applicant to provide Council with the required flag prior to the date the flag is to be flown. Flags must be in an appropriate condition for flying (i.e. not torn or faded).