# Growers’ Advisory Council Application Guide

The CBH Group is looking for passionate Western Australian grain growers, with a desire and commitment to developing their co-operative, to join its Growers’ Advisory Council (GAC).

## Background

The Growers’ Advisory Council (GAC) was established in 2002 as a replacement for the Grain Pool’s Producers Council, following the merger between the Grain Pool and CBH. The GAC supports CBH in a range of areas including:

* Provide a formal mechanism for issues raised by growers to be fed back to CBH and its Board;
* Consider issues of a strategic nature to the industry;
* Provide feedback on CBH initiatives that will impact growers;
* Increase grower engagement and understanding of CBH and the issues affecting the co-operative and the broader grains industry; and
* Be responsible for the GAC Education Fund and its expenditure on appropriate activities.
* There are 16 Councillors on the GAC, with a minimum number of representatives required from each of CBH’s five Districts. A Councillor’s term is a single period of four years. Due to the expiry of terms of sitting Councillors, there are four positions open to grower members this year:
* District 1 – 2 positions
* District 2 – 1 position
* Any District – 1 position

Councillors meet four times per year in Perth. In their role on the GAC, Councillors are reimbursed for all reasonable out of pocket expenses including, but not limited to, travel and accommodation.

The meetings are generally held in February (to coincide with the CBH Annual General Meeting), April, August and October. Successful candidates will attend the following 2024 meeting dates;

* Thursday, 8 August 2024
* Thursday, 10 October 2024

## Selection Criteria

Interested candidates will need to address the below Selection Criteria in a written application (in the form of a letter) and provide five referees (see information below).

* Have a genuine desire and commitment to see the CBH Group continue to create and return value to growers and remain Australia’s number one co-operative;
* Have the ability to be an advocate for the CBH Group Board to assist in the better communication of key strategic and/or operational issues with growers;
* Are willing to interact with grain growers and to provide a formal mechanism for issues raised by growers to be fed back to the CBH Group Board and Management;
* Have the ability and/or knowledge to address issues of a strategic nature to the grain industry and to make appropriate comment/recommendations to the CBH Group Board and Management; and
* Have an understanding of current or emerging issues facing grain growers in Western Australia and a willingness to assist in seeking solutions to these issues in an open, honest and apolitical context.

Applications should include references from a minimum of five CBH members and are due no later than **noon, Sunday 17 March 2024**.

## Selection Process

Successful candidates will be selected by a panel comprising of Directors and representatives from the GAC and CBH Group Management through an interview process.

### For further information or to submit your application, please contact:

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## Referees

The Charter of Growers’ Advisory Council (GAC) states applicants are required to supply a minimum of five CBH member referees in support of their application.

Please have your referees complete the details below and attach the form to your written application:

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| Member/Grower Title |  | |
| Referee Name and Grower No. |  | |
| Signature |  | Date / / |

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