**Compulsory Purchase Association – Honorary Membership**

*Eligibility for Honorary Membership.*

Persons who have distinguished themselves by substantial and long-term contribution to the Compulsory Purchase Association (CPA) and/or the field of compulsory purchase may be elected to Honorary Membership of the CPA.

**Honorary Members have the following benefits**:

* They pay no subscription fees;
* Receive newsletters and member correspondence.
* Invite to attend all AGMs
* Attend the dinner as an Association guest in the year they accept Hon Membership.
* Recognition of honorary member status in the CPA records (usually found on the CPA website)

**Criteria**

The CPA Board shall have absolute discretion in determining who should receive the award. Normally, however, for a person to be nominated to Honorary Membership, they must;

1. be in good standing with the CPA at the time of nomination and they must have distinguished themselves by meritorious service to the CPA through significant and ongoing participation in the CPA

or

1. through meritorious and widely recognised contribution in the field of compulsory purchase, within their region or nationally.

It is no constraint to being an Honorary Member that a person is no longer active in the field of compulsory purchase when being considered for the position.

**Process**

1. Any Member of the CPA may nominate a person for consideration as an Honorary Member and should provide supporting written statement to justify the nomination (this can be without the prior knowledge of the candidate)
2. The nomination should be submitted to the Honorary Secretary/Administrator;
3. Nominations can be made at any time but will be considered by the CPA Board during [November] each year;
4. The CPA Board will consider the merits of all nominations it receives.  Successful persons will be invited to become Honorary members. If they accept, they succession to Honorary Members will usually be announced publically at the annual dinner and subsequently in newsletters and on the website.
5. The change of status will be effective immediately on announcement;
6. The status of Honorary Membership shall continue unless revoked by the CPA Board.