

INFORMATION ON NOMINEES FOR DIRECTORSHIPS



Mr Tony Keating

Thanks for considering my suitability as a nominee for Director of The Wests Group.

Educated at St Pius X, Adamstown and Newcastle University with a major in Economics led to a professional life of teaching and educational leadership. I have owned and managed small family businesses in the transport and property sectors.

In community, a life-long involvement with sporting and community groups. In younger years, representative honours in cricket and hockey followed by decades of service to the administration of junior sports and service Clubs. A number of Life Memberships is a cherished acknowledgement.

Ten plus years as a Councillor and Deputy Mayor of a local City Council provided opportunity to play a lead role in building infrastructure and the social fabric of the community.

Covid continues to be a huge "disruptor" for business and life. For the Wests Group, I see it as an opportunity to continue to be transformative in creating a more diverse and integrated business that caters for whole of life facilities and services for the membership. A direction that diversifies into new income producing assets such as childcare; integrated aged care; leisure and healthy lifestyles. This strategic shift can run in parallel to enhancing the Club's core hospitality function whilst sustaining community partnerships with affiliated sporting clubs (including The Knights); community groups, charities and research foundations.

These are challenging times for Wests and its Board of Directors. Leaders who are adaptive, innovative, strategic and empathetic in their actions are best able to respond to these changes.

I look forward to your support in the forthcoming ballot.



Mr Robert Darcy
Current Director

Director of The Wests Group
(November 2010 - Current)

- Life Member of Western Suburbs Rugby League Football Club
- Managing Director, Darcy Property Pty Ltd
- Justice of the Peace for over 40 years

After more than twenty years playing for the Western Suburbs Rosellas Seniors, Juniors and Schoolboys, I dedicated myself to successfully running my Real Estate and Valuation business in New Lambton for over forty years.

As a respected businessman in our community and Director of The Wests Group for over a decade, I believe I have the skills and knowledge to continue to help lead our wonderful Club to even greater success in the future.

My time as a director has given me the opportunity to give back to our local community through The Wests Group's many charitable endeavours and also offer support to many sporting organisations in the Hunter and Port Stephens regions, including our beloved Western Suburbs sporting teams and the Newcastle Knights.

I feel privileged and passionate regarding my role as Director of The Wests Group and look forward to growing our great club whilst continuing to serve and support our valued Wests members.



Ms Katie Brassil
Current Director

Joining the Wests Board in 2018 Katie's appointment represents gender diversity while also bringing a diversity of career experiences and personal skills.

Katie has over 30 years' experience in the private sector and all three tiers of government, including 20 years in elected and governance positions. She has demonstrated leadership and specialist skills in economic development; strategic planning and management; stakeholder engagement and consultation; public and government relations.

Katie is a senior executive at Centennial (15 years) where she manages government, media and community relations, approvals, sustainability and more recently the environment portfolio across the group.

A Graduate Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (2008-present) Katie is also a Director of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service (2011- present) and New South Wales Minerals Council (2019 – present).

During her tenure on the Wests Board Katie has been an active contributor chairing the Boards Remuneration and Nominations and Community Committees. Katie is excited by the future of the Wests Groups and the benefits members and the broader community will enjoy as the organisation grows and prospers under strong leadership.