



VN HORIZONS
A S P I R E L E A R N

Mission

At VN Horizons, we aspire to learn together.

Our mission is to inspire an aspiration of lifelong learning by creating a space for collaboration and curiosity.

We showcase our dedicated 'Wise Owls' as industry and parallel professional speakers, trainers, educators, coaches and mentors to empower community members and industry in realising and unlocking their potential with the support of their services.

We seek to secure community membership discounts, bespoke content and bonus features from inspiring and motivating industry expertise.

We champion for positive change in the industry and wider landscape.

Wise Owl Parliament

VN Horizons is currently an unincorporated association.

VN Horizons are looking for 15 Wise Owls, three from each category (ideally) with a diverse regional representation. The Parliament will assist in the direction and decision making of VN Horizons, helping to promote and steer its aims.

The Wise Owl Parliament will collaborate to draw upon their expertise in creating and maintaining the five Wise Owl category codes of practice to secure professional future Wise Owls. The Wise Owl Parliament members will support and mentor aspiring Wise Owls in the industry. There will be no time requirement expectations set, only that they remain active in communication and collaborations.

There is potential for VN Horizons to become a registered co-operation or social enterprise, this shall be discussed once the Parliament is formed.

Community Membership

Members will benefit from the wealth of inclusive knowledge and experience brought together to the VN Horizons community network. They will have access to Wise Owls for any professional support. They will have access to exclusive training, resources,

collaboration and discounts. Membership terms require members to share resources and curiosity via the VN Horizons' forum (currently on Moodle).

They will be part of an education practitioner community!

They will have their say on key campaigns and debates and improve their teaching or mentoring practice.

Each will receive a **Member** digital badge to show proudly.

We encourage regional meetings which we hope to roll out in 2027 with the support of other organisations and education institutions.

Wise Owl Membership

Our Wise Owls complete VN Horizons training and category agreement(s) to receive a category digital badge to display with pride and gain exposure on the website.

Wise Owls may promote and engage their own services in line with the VN Horizons agreement. Bios are made available on each category page and the member community will be able to access their independent services.

VN Horizons kindly request that Wise Owls offer a complementary one-hour Discovery call to Members to facilitate an informal discussion to ensure relationships and services are best fit for both parties prior to any further paid engagement.

Wise Owls are encouraged to engage with non-members to promote their own services but to actively promote the community membership.

Multiple category places and badges are permissible. Wise Owls should pick the one(s) most representative of the services and support that they can offer, one(s) that they see as best fit.

Wise Owl members are invited to actively support all community Members through VN Horizons social groups, forum and course design. There will be no expectation set for their time unless the Parliament determines otherwise for the purpose of selection.

The five Wise Owl categories

Mentors

Mentors are experienced vets, veterinary nurses, educators and industry partners available with various expertise and interests from lived experiences. They will mentor aspiring educators or mentors in becoming Mentors themselves or offer general mentorship in their speciality theme.

VN Horizons Mentors are trained to uphold the professional standards and best practices of VN Horizons.

Speakers

Speakers will be available for industry events, seminars, workshops, classroom presentations and discussions. They will be motivational speakers who engage, inspire and enthuse audiences.

They may hold various expertise and interests from lived experience in the education field.

VN Horizons Speakers will be trained to uphold the professional standards and best practices of VN Horizons.

Trainers

Trainers will have availability to both devise and deliver in-house or remote training in a range of settings, depending upon the services they offer. Trainers will all have various expertise and interests from lived experience.

VN Horizons Trainers will be trained to uphold the professional standards and best practices of VN Horizons.

Educators

Educators will all hold various expertise and interests from lived experience for contracted work, including, but not limited to devising learning resources, writing assessment material, proofreading and revising documents, marking/assessing, IQA and EQA.

VN Horizons Educators will be trained to uphold the professional standards and best practices of VN Horizons.

Clinical Skills Assessor or Supervisor

CSA or CS will cover a range of locations and availability; this may be remote depending on the services they provide. VN Horizons have identified a need for peripatetic CSA/CS and therefore in person services will be preferred.

VN Horizon Supervisors will be trained to uphold the professional standards and best practices of VN Horizons.

Supporters

Supporters invest in VN Horizons campaigns and main aims. They may assist in advertising, raising awareness, providing services, offering discounts, running promotions or produce bespoke content to aid community members in realising their potential.

By offering support, individuals, businesses and organisations and their services will be presented a Supporter digital badge to display proudly.

A supportive peer community

A safe space to share ideas, resources or work through challenges.

We welcome all Members to contribute and collaborate to improve practice and inspire lifelong learning.

Members gain access to a complementary VN Horizons community learning forum on our learning platform (currently Moodle). Members will stay up to date on current content, have your voice heard and support others.