



Ordinary Council Meeting 23/02/21

Item 12.6 refers

Attachment 9

**2021 Local Government Election
- Statutory Timeframes**

Creating opportunities



ELECTION TIMELINE
2021 Local Government Ordinary Election
Saturday, 16 October 2021

Days to Polling Day	Local Government Act	Reference to Act/Regs	Day	Date
80	Last day for declaration to have the Electoral Commissioner conduct a postal election.	LGA 4.20 (2)(3)(4)		28/07/2021
80	A decision made to conduct the election as a postal election cannot be rescinded after the 80 th day.	LGA 4.61(5)	Wed	28/07/2021
70	Electoral Commissioner to appoint a person to be the Returning Officer of the Local Government for the election. (Compulsory if intent is to hold a postal election)	LGA 4.20(4) LGA 4.61(1)	Sat	07/08/2021
70 to 56	Between to 70 th /56 th day the CEO is to give Statewide public notice of the time and date of close of enrolments.	LGA 4.39(2)	Sat to Sat	07/08/2021 to 21/08/2021
56	Last day for the CEO to advise the Electoral Commissioner of the need to prepare a residents roll.	LGA 4.40(1)	Sat	21/08/2021
56	Advertising may begin for nominations from 56 days and no later than 45 days before election day.	LGA 4.47(1)	Sat	21/08/2021
50	Close roll 5.00pm	LGA 4.39(1)	Fri	27/08/2021
45	Last day for advertisement to be placed calling for nominations	LGA 4.47(1)	Wed	1/09/2021
44	Nominations Open First day for candidates to lodge completed nomination paper, in the prescribed form, with the Returning Officer. Nominations period is open for 8 days.	LGA 4.49(a)	Thu	02/09/2021
38	If a candidate's nomination is withdrawn not later than 4.00pm on the 38 th day before election day, the candidate's deposit is to be refunded.	LGA s4.50 Reg. 27(5)	Wed	08/09/2021
37	Close of Nominations 4.00pm on the 37 th day before election day.	LGA 4.49(a)	Thu	09/09/2021
36	Last day for the CEO to prepare & certify an owners & occupiers roll for the election. Last day for the Electoral Commissioner to prepare & certify a residents roll.	LGA 4.41(1) LGA 4.40(2)	Fri	10/09/2021
23	Lodgement of Metropolitan Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.		Thu	TBA (23/09/2021)
22	The preparation of any consolidated roll under subregulation (1) to be completed on or before 22 nd day before election day.	Reg. 18(2)	Fri	24/09/2021
19	Last day for the Returning Officer to give Statewide public notice of the election.	LGA 4.64(1)	Tue	28/09/2021
	Public Holiday		Mon	27/09/2021
18	Commence processing returned election packages.		Tue	TBA (28/09/2021)
0	Election Day Close of poll 6.00pm		Sat	16/10/2021

Roll Close

Nominations Open

Nominations Close

Election Day

Post Election Day	Post Declaration	Reference to Act/Regs	Day	Date
5	Election results advertisement	LGA 4.77	Thu	21/10/2021
14	Report to Minister. The report relating to an election under section 4.79 is to be provided to the Minister within 14 days after the declaration of the result of the election.	Reg. 81	Sat	30/10/2021
28	An invalidity complaint is to be made to a Court of Disputed Returns, constituted by a magistrate, but can only be made within 28 days after notice is given of the result of the election.	LGA 4.81(1)	Sat	13/11/2021