



District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula

Working with our Rural and Coastal Communities

LATE ITEM – 19 JULY 2019

COUNCIL

C205 COUNCIL OFFICERS REPORT

CL/55/19 SUPPLEMENTARY ELECTION

Correspondence has been received from Mike Sherry, Returning Officer, Electoral Commission SA confirming that a supplementary election will be necessary to fill the casual vacancy.

Mr Sherry has appointed a Deputy Returning Officer for the election (Vanessa Nemeth) and they suggest that on this occasion key aspects of the election be conducted from their office including the conducting of the ballot draw (using skype or the likes for viewing by candidates), and the undertaking of the scrutiny and count.

This will give the most cost effective outcome, and I have agreed to these arrangements.

Council will remain responsible for the advertising and promotion of the election, and given the roll close date this will need to commence shortly.

The supplementary roll for the 2018 election remains in place, and eligible electors can be added to that roll up until 31st July. Traditionally Council has done a mail out to properties or persons who are not on the House of Assembly Roll and may be eligible to be added by way of the Supplementary Roll. These people include those who own or occupy property in the Council district, but are not on the H of A Roll, and provides opportunity for organisations or companies to nominate an elector who is not already on the roll.

The key dates for the supplementary election are:

31 July 2019	Roll Close
22 August 2019	Electoral Roll Finalised
22 August 2019	Nominations Open
5 September 2019	Nominations Close (Noon)
5 September 2019	Ballot Draw (4pm)
8 October 2019	Close of Voting (Noon)

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Council is required to provide officers to fill a range of positions, and I have submitted the following: -

Council Liaison Officer: Sacheen Hopewell

Electoral Officer responsible for Voters Roll: Caro Miller

Electoral Officers: Rod Pearson, Bryce Breed, Leith Blacker and Wendy Ettridge.

RECOMMENDATION CEO

“That Council notes the arrangements for the supplementary election to fill the casual vacancy arising from the passing of Geoff Bayly.”