



# Shire of Mt Marshall

— THE SANDALWOOD SHIRE —

18 March 2019

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 2019

The next Local Government Ordinary Elections will be held on **19 October 2019**. Elections are held every two years and candidates are elected using first-past-the post voting system.

### Enrolling to vote in a Local Government Election

All eligible electors must enrol to vote through the Australian Electoral Commission: [www.aec.gov.au/enrol](http://www.aec.gov.au/enrol)

When you enrol to vote you are enrolled for Commonwealth, State and Local Government Elections. You can check your enrolment online.

All residents in a local government district who are enrolled on the state electoral roll are automatically enrolled on the corresponding local government roll.

People who own or occupy property within the local government district can apply to their local government to be included on the roll as an owner/occupier, as long as they are eligible electors. A body corporate may apply to have up to two eligible electors to be included on the owner/occupier roll, however an elector only ever gets one vote in a particular district.

If you are an owner, once you are enrolled to vote your eligibility to vote continues until you do not own that property anymore.

If you are an occupier, once you are enrolled your eligibility expires 6 months after the second ordinary election and you will need to re apply.

All enrolment eligibility claim forms need to be received no later than close of business 50 days before the election date.

## DIARY DATES

### 2 April 2019

Recycling Collection

### 16 April 2019

Ordinary Meeting of Council @ 4:00pm at the Beacon Country Club, Shemeld St, Beacon

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## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS CONTINUED**

All eligible electors are allowed to vote once in any district or ward for which they are enrolled. If a person lives within one local district or ward, and owns or occupies property in a different district or ward, they may be entitled to a vote in both areas, provided they are enrolled for those addresses. For more information or to enrol as an owner/occupier please contact the Shire of Mt Marshall.

### **Voting in a Local Government Election**

Voting in a Local Government Election is not compulsory in WA, however, all electors are encouraged to vote.

There are two types of local government elections—postal elections and voting in person election. At a postal election electors are sent an election package, which includes ballot papers and instructions on how to return the papers by post. During an in person election electors have the option to vote early by attending a polling place within the district or attending on the day of the election.

### **Postal Elections**

Postal elections administered by the Electoral Commission are the most popular means of conducting a Local Government Election and the Shire of Mt Marshall has resolved to conduct the October 2019 elections in this manner as postal elections generally have a higher elector participation rate.

All eligible electors will receive a postal voting package in the mail around three weeks prior to the election. The package will consist of a list of candidates, ballot papers and an unsigned declaration. Your postal vote must be received before 6.00pm on polling day. If you are worried about your postal vote being returned on time via Australia Post you can deliver it by hand to a polling official.

## **SHOPPING TRIP TO BEACON CO-OP**

Expressions of interest are now sought from the Bencubbin community to use a community bus service to the Beacon Co-operative on **Thursday 4 April 2019.**

The purpose of this service is to provide access to a local shopping precinct while the Bencubbin shopping facility is not operational. The bus would depart Bencubbin around 9am and will return not too long after 12pm.

This is a free service provided by the Shire of Mt Marshall and if you would like further details or to register your spot on the bus, please call Meg at the Shire on 9685 1202.

