

Technology Assisted Voting — Audit Certificate

To: David Payne

From: Darren Michael

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Reference: Secret Harbour By-Election 2026 — Western Australia

As detailed in your Audit Requirements dated September 2024 this document summarises the status of my audit and review.

Review of Documentation

I have reviewed and provided ongoing feedback and comments in relation to the documentation that I have been provided by the WAEC.

Meetings

I have attended meetings both online and at the Commission's offices to gain an understanding of the Technology Assisted Voting project (offered as 'Phone Assisted Voting' (**PAV**)) and to provide ongoing comments and feedback. I participated in a User Acceptance Testing (**UAT**) session of the PAV and observed its operation from end to end.

Live Election Period

I observed the activities being undertaken and was able to question staff at the following operational locations:

- WAEC Offices — PAV Application Call Centre.
- WAEC Secret Harbour By-Election Processing Centre — PAV Output Processing at the end of the election.

I observed that the Approved Procedures were being followed at each location and witnessed all aspects of the Technology Assisted Voting process for live votes being cast.

Statement

It is my opinion that both the integrity and function of the Technology Assisted Voting system provided by the Commission met the stated aims of enabling eligible electors to cast a secret vote.

Limitations

I have not observed incident management testing of the systems.

Other Comments

My role was greatly assisted by the consistent openness and helpfulness of Mr. David Payne and his Team.



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