

2013 Local Government Ordinary Elections



Election Report

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Foreword

At the October 2013 local government ordinary elections, the Western Australian Electoral Commission was contracted to manage the largest number of postal elections it had ever conducted. In addition to two in person elections in the far north of the State, the Commission was asked to run 76 postal elections under the *Local Government Act 1995*.

With voting in local government elections being non-mandatory in Western Australia, postal elections typically result in a higher participation rate by eligible electors than in person ballots, as they offer most electors greater convenience and accessibility. Making the Electoral Commissioner responsible for these elections also enables local government CEOs and staff to remain at arms-length from potentially contentious aspects of the electoral process. The Commission is able to ensure these elections are conducted independently, professionally and with absolute impartiality.

Since they were first trialled in 1995, the number of local governments adopting postal elections has progressively increased. This trend is unlikely to continue in 2015 given the proposed reduction in the number of metropolitan local governments.

The local governments deciding to conduct a postal election in 2013 comprised some 1,342,474 electors, which is about 93% of the State's total number of eligible electors. At the close of nominations, 780 candidates had nominated for 400 vacancies resulting in 64 separate postal elections. A total of 97 candidates were elected unopposed and six vacancies remained unfilled.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of all returning officers and Commission staff in the planning and conduct of the 2013 ordinary elections and each of the local governments for the assistance and cooperation provided by their staff.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Electoral Commissioner is responsible for conducting postal elections under the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act). If requested, the Electoral Commissioner can also conduct voting in person elections.

In conducting these elections, the Western Australian Electoral Commission (the Commission) is able to offer absolute impartiality and integrity, as well as substantial electoral expertise.

In total, 76 local governments asked the Electoral Commissioner to conduct their ordinary elections using the postal voting method in October 2013. In addition, the Commission conducted voting in person elections for the Shires of Broome and Halls Creek.

At the close of nominations on 12 September 2013, 64 of the 76 local governments opting for a postal ballot proceeded to election. All vacancies in 12 of the local governments opting for the postal voting method were unopposed and hence candidates were declared elected by the returning officer immediately after nominations had closed.

The elections of 11 mayors were scheduled to be conducted as postal elections. Two local governments also requested that polls related to proposed amalgamations be conducted in conjunction with their postal elections.

The Act provides for the conduct of ordinary elections within an 80-day timetable, with legislative obligations placed on both the Electoral Commissioner and local governments. A copy of the timetable appears at Appendix 1.

Returning officers were recruited and appointed by the Electoral Commissioner at the commencement of the election period. As well as online training, all returning officers participated in face to face training focusing on the key aspects of managing a postal election.

The Act requires the placement of the following three statutory advertisements in a newspaper with statewide circulation:

- enrolling to vote
- call for nominations
- notice of election.

The Commission placed all statutory advertisements in *The West Australian* newspaper.

Returning officers were provided with manuals and guidelines for the conduct of the election. Candidates were provided with a *Candidate Pack* on CD, that included publications prepared by the Commission. A guide for scrutineers was also included in the *Candidate Pack*.

Candidates and members of council, on request, were provided with a copy of the residents roll prepared by the Electoral Commissioner. The owners and occupiers roll was prepared by the Chief Executive Officer of the local government and provided to the returning officer for issue to candidates and members of council.

Owners and occupiers roll data was electronically merged with data from the residents roll to form a combined postal roll to enable the dispatch of election packages to electors.

Of the initial 76 postal elections that the Commission agreed to conduct, a total of 780 candidates nominated for 400 vacancies in 196 districts or wards. A total of 97 candidates were elected unopposed and six vacancies remained unfilled. There were 33 candidates for the eight contested mayoral ballots, with 3 mayors being elected unopposed. For the 2 voting in person elections conducted by the Commission, 17 candidates nominated for 9 vacancies in 3 wards.

A total of 1,176,014 election packages comprising ballot paper(s), ballot paper envelope, reply paid envelope, information brochure and profiles of the candidates were sent to electors in each of the 64 contested postal elections.

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Staff from local governments issued replacement and provisional packages. A total of 3,397 replacement packages were issued for the 64 postal elections. Provisional packages were issued only if electors were omitted in error from the residents or owners and occupiers rolls. A total of 158 provisional packages were issued.

A total of 326,529 completed packages were returned by voters, giving a State-wide participation rate of 27.76% for postal elections.

A postal vote checking centre was established at the Northbridge Centre, Corner of Roe and Beaufort Streets, Perth. Postal voting packages returned by voters were opened, checked and then scanned to mark each voter's name off the roll.

Following scanning, the elector certificates were removed from the ballot paper envelopes. This ensured that the identities of the voters could not be matched with the ballot papers and thus the secrecy of the ballot could be assured.

Subsequently, the ballot paper envelopes were opened, the ballot paper(s) removed without inspection and placed in a sealed ballot box for delivery to returning officers.

The Act requires a polling place to be open on election day (19 October 2013) and in the majority of cases, these were at the offices of the local government. These polling places acted as a receiving point for packages from electors and also issued replacement and provisional votes. Ballot boxes were delivered from Perth to the returning officer at each local government prior to or on election day. Counting of votes commenced soon after the close of the poll at 6.00 pm on election day, 19 October 2013.

The first-past-the-post voting system applies to voting at local government elections. Where there was only one or two vacancies in a district or ward, votes were predominantly counted manually. Where there were multiple candidates and vacancies, votes were counted using a computer program developed and distributed by the Commission (CountWA). In some cases where the ballot boxes had been delivered from Perth prior to

election day, some ballot papers were counted in Perth and the results relayed to the local count venue for inclusion with the local count figures.

The results of each count were recorded on an election management system in Perth, published on the Commission's website at www.elections.wa.gov.au that night, and published in *The West Australian* on the following Thursday. See Appendix 10 for a copy of all postal election results data.

The number of electors returning voting packages is a measure of voter participation. The average participation rate in October 2013 was 27.76%. This compared with 30.94% in October 2011. A number of factors impact on voter participation and comparing the State-wide figure over time can be misleading. Nevertheless, in general terms elector participation at local government postal elections is in decline.

Of the 1,176,014 election packages distributed in the 64 postal elections, 10,962 were returned to the Commission as late mail after the close of the poll, an average of 0.93%. While not significant in percentage terms, it indicates that some electors do not take into consideration the time constraints regarding the return of postal voting packages.

In addition, a total of 12,353 packages were returned to the Commission as unclaimed mail, an average of 1.05% of all packages dispatched. These addresses were referred to the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) or the local government (in the case of owners and occupiers) so that appropriate action could be taken to correct the roll if required.

Legislation requires that where a local government opts for a postal election, the election is to be run by the Commission. Also the cost of the election is to be recouped by the Commission on the basis of full accrual cost recovery. Accordingly, local governments remain keenly interested in the costs incurred in the conduct of postal elections. Given that local governments need only operate one polling place (if they wish) on election day under an in person election, the cost of a postal election will always be higher. The

advantage however is generally a higher participation rate and arguably an elected council that is more representative of the local community.

Clearly the scale of an election will impact on cost. The smallest election conducted by the Commission was the Shire of Cue with 166 electors. The largest was the City of Stirling with 132,920 electors.

The average cost per elector increased by approximately 9% for the October 2013 elections in comparison to the 2011 elections. This was mainly due to a postage rate increase of 17% and an 8% increase in staff pay rates.

Nevertheless, the Commission has been successful in constraining the election costs paid by local governments over the past decade. This is demonstrated by the fact that in 2003 the State-wide average cost per elector at postal elections run by the Commission was \$2.73. At the 2013 elections the average cost per elector was still only \$2.89, despite CPI rises and increases in postage and labour costs. Increasing economies of scale and the adoption of various efficiency innovations have enabled postal election cost increases to be kept to a minimum.

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Comparative Statistics 2009, 2011 and 2013 Local Government Postal Elections

Ordinary Elections	October 2009	October 2011	October 2013
	Postal	Postal	Postal
Local Government Districts	69	74	76
Enrolled electors	1,220,668	1,292,523	1,342,474
Referendums/Polls	1	0	2
Mayoral Elections			
Vacancies	10	11	11
Elected unopposed	3	2	3
Contested	7	9	8
Candidates	25	28	33
President Elections			
Vacancies		1	
Elected unopposed		0	
Contested		1	
Candidates		3	
Wards			
Vacancies	194	191	196
Contested	137	135	148
Councillor Elections			
Vacancies	353	392	389
Elected unopposed	92	88	94
Contested	258	303	289
Candidates	616	679	747
Positions unfilled	3	1	6
Election Packages			
Dispatched	1,084,504	1,114,275	1,176,014
Returned at close of poll	361,845	344,799	326,529
Elector Participation			
Range	25% to 66%	24% to 69%	21% to 69%
Average	33.37%	30.94%	27.76%
Cost			
*Total cost	\$2,827,540	\$3,126,186	\$3,529,981

*Excludes GST.

Table 1: Comparative Statistics 2009, 2011 and 2013 Local Government Elections. Data Source: EMSWA

INTRODUCTION

Since 1995, the Commission has had an increasing commitment to the conduct of local government postal elections.

Any council may conduct its own voting in person election, however only the Electoral Commissioner may conduct a postal voting election. The decision to conduct a postal election must be passed by an absolute majority of council.

From the initial four local governments adopting postal elections in 1995, the Commission's involvement in postal elections has increased at successive local government elections, with 76 postal elections in 2013.

Election Year	Local Governments using Postal Vote System
1997	8
1999	34
2001	47
2003	55
2005	50
2007	64
2009	69
2011	74
2013	76

Table 2: Local Governments using postal voting. Data Source: EMSWA

In 2013, over 93% of the State's eligible electors (95% in 2011, 90% in 2009 and 92% in 2007) potentially had access to the postal voting method.

All bar one of the 30 local governments currently located in the Perth metropolitan area have adopted postal voting. The Town of East Fremantle was the only metropolitan local government using the voting in person method at the October 2013 elections.

Local governments participating in postal elections in 2013 are listed at Appendix 3. The Shires of Brookton, Capel, Collie, Harvey, Jerramungup, Kent, Merredin, Moora, Shark Bay, Upper Gascoyne, Waroona and Wongan-Ballidu did not proceed to election as the number of nominations equalled the number of vacancies in each district.

Local governments participating in the postal voting method for the first time included the Shires of Boddington and Chapman Valley. The City of Vincent and the Town of Mosman Park conducted amalgamation related polls in conjunction with their postal elections.

The Shires of Broome and Halls Creek requested the Electoral Commissioner to conduct voting in person elections. In both cases, the Commission was engaged partly because of the expertise it could offer with respect to mobile polling services to remote indigenous communities.

This report provides a brief description of the processes involved in conducting the 2013 local government ordinary elections and includes a summary of the results.

ELECTION TIMETABLE

The timetable for local government elections is prescribed by the *Local Government Act 1995*. Events are counted back in days from election day which is the third Saturday in October every two years. These dates are fixed, which greatly assists with planning and preparation. A copy of the timeline for the 2013 local government ordinary elections can be seen at Appendix 1.

Key Events

Conducting large numbers of simultaneous postal elections demands a high degree of planning and scheduling to meet the requirements of the election process. Some of the key election events for the Commission include:

- close of the electoral rolls
- open and close of nominations
- printing and dispatch of postal voting election packages
- receipt and checking of postal voting election packages
- election day, the count and declaration of results.

RETURNING OFFICERS AND STAFF

Returning Officers

Recruitment of returning officers commenced in early 2013, with the aim of appointing people who lived locally and were known to their communities where possible. The Commission was interested in people who were highly organised with strong interpersonal, communication and computing skills.

Several staff from the Commission, with substantial experience in local government elections, were appointed as deputy returning officers, particularly in locations such as the postal vote checking centre. This allowed them to make a determination when accepting or rejecting the returned election packages. In addition they were also available if required to take over specific duties if the returning officer was unavailable.

Training for returning officers was typically provided by staff from the Commission who hold a *Certificate IV in Workplace Assessment and Training* qualification or tertiary education qualifications.

Returning officers attended a training session in Perth, and completed online training modules prior to the commencement of the election period. The names of all Commission employed returning officers are listed at Appendix 13.



Figure 1: Returning officer training

Administrative Staff

Each returned election package has an individual reply paid number which is used by

Australia Post to sort them by district and ward at its mail centre. These were then delivered to the postal vote checking centre for processing by the Commission. In addition, this enabled Australia Post to provide daily figures on the number of returned election packages.

Election processes can be very labour intensive. A large number of casual staff were employed at the postal vote checking centre in Perth. Others were employed to assist with various processes up to and including the counting of votes on election day.

Local government authorities typically made their staff available for the issue of replacement and provisional voting papers during the lead up to election day. In addition, one or more staff from most local governments worked at the polling place on election day and/or were employed to count ballot papers after 6.00 pm.

ADVERTISING

Statutory Advertising

The Act provides for the placement of three statutory advertisements in a newspaper with State-wide circulation. The Commission placed all statutory advertising in *The West Australian* newspaper.

The first advertisement was a *Notice of Close of Enrolments*, which appeared in *The West Australian* on Wednesday 14 August 2013 in accordance with section 4.39(2) of the Act.

The second advertisement was a *Call for Nominations* notice, which appeared in *The West Australian* on Wednesday 28 August 2013 in accordance with section 4.47(1) of the Act.

The third advertisement was a *Notice of Election*, which appeared in *The West Australian* on Wednesday 18 September 2013 in accordance with section 4.64(1) of the Act.

The *Notice of Results* is not required to be placed in a newspaper with State-wide publication; however, this too was placed in *The West Australian* on Thursday 24 October 2013.

Supplementary Statutory Advertising

Of the 76 local governments, 69 also took up the option of placing the three statutory advertisements in local community newspapers or newsletters. Each local advertisement was published at approximately the same time as the statutory advertisements and carried messages designed to draw attention to a specific stage of the election process.

Campaign Advertising

In addition to the statutory advertising undertaken, the Commission, in conjunction with the Department of Local Government, employed the services of a journalist to seek opportunities to increase the awareness of local government elections.

This resulted in various TV or radio stories and interviews, as well as local newspaper articles being produced primarily around major election events.

Media releases conveyed key election information and focused on initiatives to make postal voting easier and encouraged electors to take part in decision-making at the local level. The releases were syndicated in each of

the districts undertaking postal voting for greater local impact. Numerous media interviews were conducted on State-wide and regional radio, as well as with print journalists.

The Commission's Website

Each participating local government had a visual presence on the Commission's website in terms of its logo, address and link to its home page. People visiting the site could view a broad range of electoral information, including:

- key dates and deadlines for the election
- how-to-vote information
- previous postal voting election results
- lists of candidates (after close of nominations)
- returning officer contact details
- enrolment information and checking.

Importantly, election results were available to the electors and other stakeholders via the home page of the Commission's website on election night.

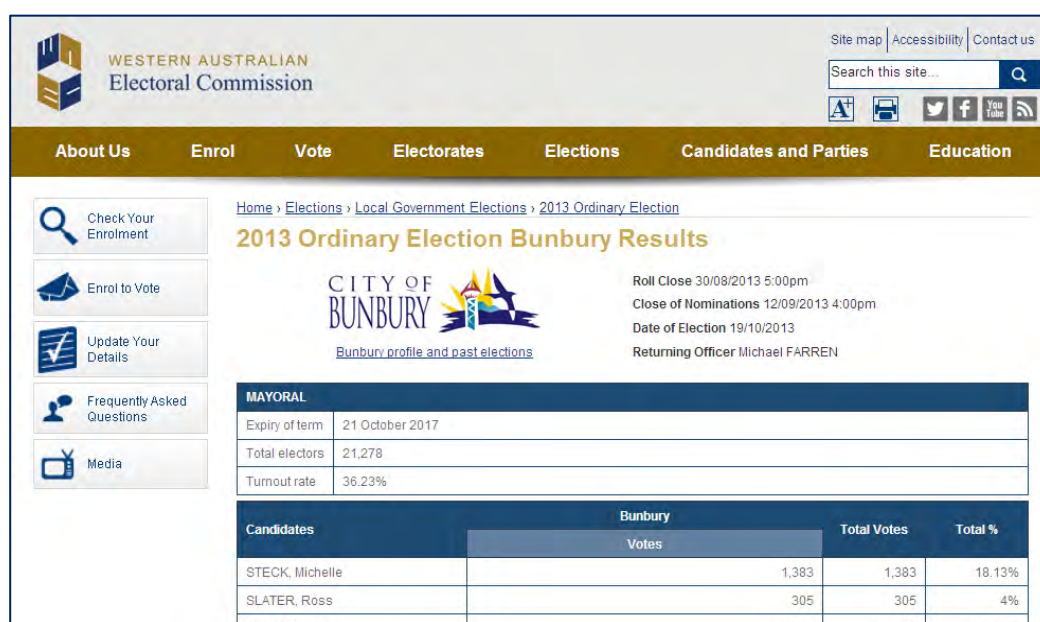


Figure 2: Local government postal election results on the Western Australian Electoral Commission website.

ELECTORAL ROLLS

Close of the Roll

Prior to the close of the roll, 15 local government district/ward boundary changes were implemented.

When the rolls closed on 30 August 2013, there were 1,445,349 electors on the State residents roll. Each local government Chief Executive Officer was responsible for producing an owners and occupiers roll for its district.

Electronic Rolls

After roll close and completion of enrolment processing, copies were burned to CD and made available to nominating candidates, in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Candidates and members of council, upon request, were provided with one free copy of both the residents roll and the owners and occupiers roll.

Privacy

There are legislative requirements which govern the distribution of electoral roll data, including the:

- *Electoral Act 1907 and Electoral Regulations 1996*
- *Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997.*

In addition, there is a level of concern in the community about the privacy of information held by government agencies.

In the absence of state privacy legislation, the Commission recognises the intent of the Commonwealth *Privacy Act 1988* which is to:

- protect the use of personal information which could affect individuals' lives in critical ways
- ensure individuals' information is accurate.

These concerns are drawn to the attention of candidates and local government authorities when rolls are provided for electoral purposes.

ELECTION MATERIAL

Manuals

Manuals and guidelines for the conduct of the election were provided to all returning officers.

Candidate Packs

Each candidate was provided with a *Candidate Pack* on CD. The CD contained:

- a handbook entitled *A Guide for Candidates*
- a handbook entitled *A Guide for Scrutineers*
- a booklet entitled *Standing for Council Information for Candidates*
- a booklet entitled *Local Government Elections 2013 – Frequently asked questions about local government elections*
- a booklet entitled *Formality of Ballot Papers*
- a booklet entitled *Service Charter for Postal Elections*
- a booklet entitled *Why be a councillor – Get involved and influence your community*
- Form LG 08 *Nomination for Election by Candidate*
- Form LG 09 *Nomination for Election by Agent*
- Form LG 09A *Disclosure of Gifts and*
- Form LG 18 *Appointment of Scrutineer.*

In addition, material from Australia Post regarding requirements for unaddressed mail lodgement was included on the CD.



Figure 3: Candidate pack CD

NOMINATIONS

Nominations opened on 5 September 2013 and closed at 4.00 pm on 12 September 2013. Nominations for a district can only be taken by the returning officer.

Candidates

A total of 780 candidates nominated for 400 vacancies in 196 wards in the 76 postal elections. At the close of nominations on 12 September 2013, there were 297 contested vacancies, 97 unopposed vacancies and 6 uncontested vacancies. There were 747 candidates for councillor and 33 candidates for 11 mayoral vacancies. There were 289 contested vacancies for councillor and 8 for mayor. A total of 17 candidates nominated for the 9 vacancies in 3 wards for the 2 voting in person elections conducted by the Commission at Halls Creek and Broome.

The Nominations Process

To be valid and complete a nomination must include:

- completed nomination form
- candidate profile
- \$80 nomination deposit (cash, money order or bank cheque).

The inclusion of a photograph with the candidate's profile can be of a benefit to the candidate. However, it is optional and at their discretion.

Returning officers were instructed not to process a nomination until it was complete. Candidate profiles were checked to ensure compliance with the provisions of Regulation 24, of the *Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997*, in that it is confined to biographical information about the candidate or their policies or beliefs and does not contain information that the returning officer considers to be false, misleading or defamatory.

The original copy of the profile was placed on the notice board of the local government with a photograph of the candidate (if provided). Other nomination papers were forwarded to the Commission to be used for printing the postal voting election packages.

Returning officers were present at the local government offices from 2.00 pm (or earlier if required) to accept final nominations from candidates.

After nominations closed, the returning officers typically conducted a short briefing to candidates and scrutineers, designed to explain the process that would follow in this election. Candidates were also given information on the procedures for the postal vote checking centre and the counting locations. This was followed by a draw for position on the ballot paper.

Candidate Profiles

The Commission further developed its online nomination builder software to assist candidates prepare their nomination and build their candidate profile.

The profiles were combined with the ballot paper and forwarded electronically to the printer for printing in a standard format.

Candidates continue to prepare their profiles with extensive use of hyphenated words, spelling mistakes and incorrect use of grammar. Spelling mistakes and grammar were not corrected, as this is the responsibility of candidates.

In total 780 profiles were received in 2013 for postal elections, an increase on the 710 profiles received in 2011. Unfortunately, many candidates continue to delay their nomination until the final day of nominations. This creates some challenges for returning officers and can delay the ballot paper draw.

Gender of Candidates

In 2013, 548 males and 232 females nominated for vacancies in local government postal elections. This compares with 494 males and 216 females in 2011. As a result 265 males and 129 females were elected, compared to 274 males and 129 females in 2011.

In 2013, women made up 29.74% of candidates. This was marginally lower than the percentage in 2011 at 30.42% and in 2009 at 30.89%.

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For the two voting in person local government elections, 10 women and 7 men nominated.

A full breakdown can be seen in Table 3 and a generalized summary is illustrated below by Chart 1.

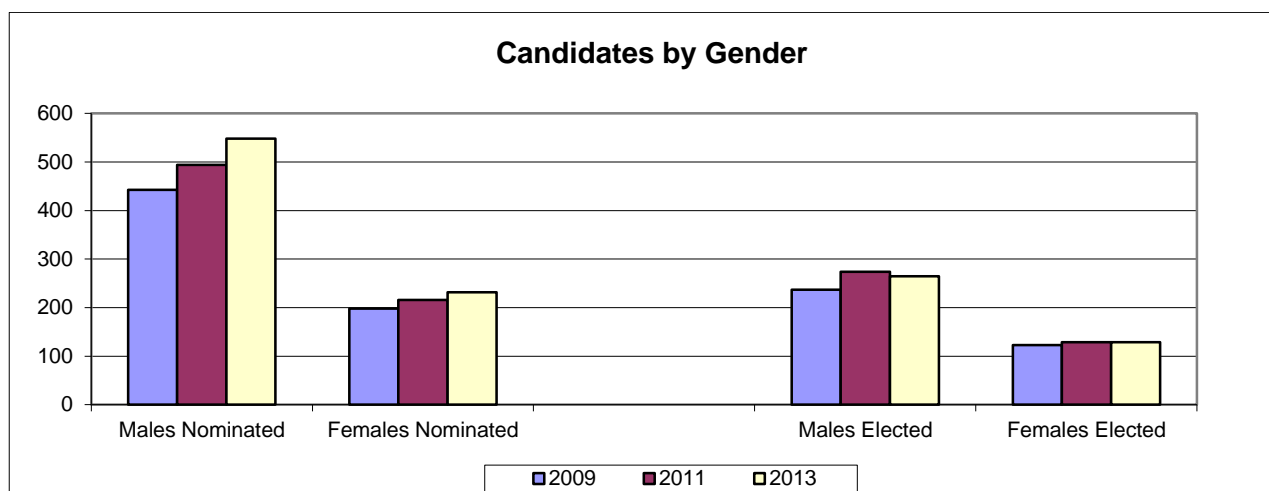


Chart 1: Candidates by Gender for Postal Voting Local Governments. Data Source: EMSWA

Age of Candidates

In 2013, the average age of candidates was 54 with ages ranging from 19 to 86. This

compares to 2011 where the average age was also 54 with an age range between 19 and 82.

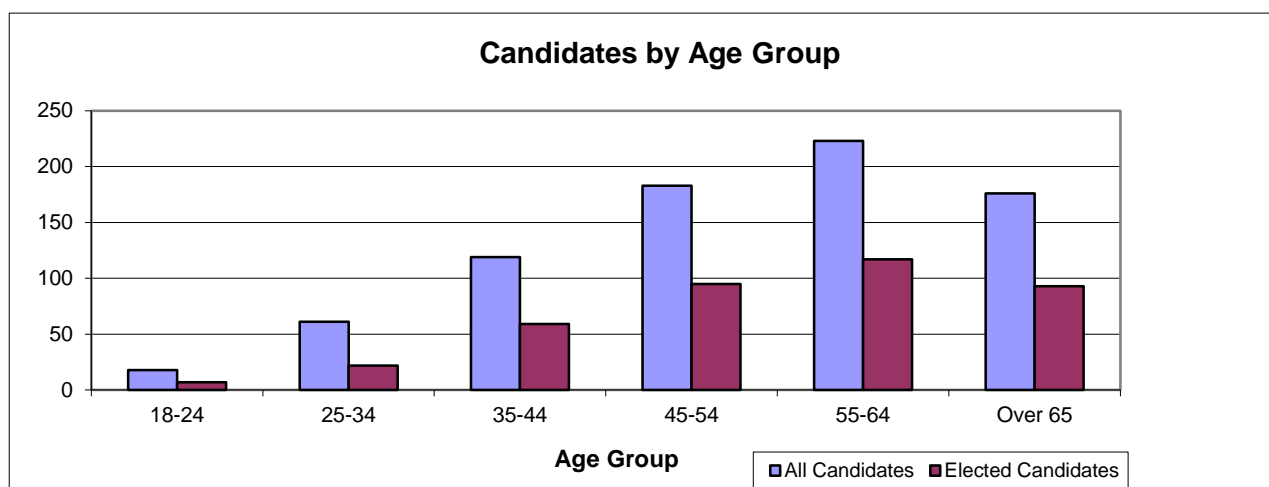


Chart 2: Candidates by Age Group for Postal Voting Local Governments. Data Source: EMSWA

Unopposed and Uncontested Wards

At the close of nominations on 12 September 2013, 48 of the 196 wards with vacancies for postal elections received an equal number of nominations. These candidates were declared elected unopposed.

From a total of 400 vacancies for councillor, 97 candidates were elected unopposed for postal elections and 6 vacancies remained uncontested.

No vacancies were elected unopposed for the 2 voting in person elections.

COMPLAINTS

The Act provides that either the Electoral Commissioner or the returning officer may investigate whether misconduct, malpractice or maladministration has occurred in relation to an election.

In 2013 the Commission established a call centre and appointed liaison staff to provide information to the public as well as manage complaints received. The returning officers for each local government dealt with local issues where possible.

The number of formal written complaints (80) received was nearly 20% lower on the number received in 2011 (100). In total over 160 email complaints and/or enquiries were received. The majority were in connection with:

- section 4.87 – printing and publication of election material
- section 4.88 – misleading, false and defamatory statements
- disclosure of gifts.

All complaints were reviewed to determine if a breach of the Act had occurred and whether further action was warranted.

In most instances, no evidence of any breach was found and the complainant was advised accordingly. Alternatively, the breach was of a technical nature and the matter was resolved by drawing to the attention of those concerned the legislative requirements for future reference.

Invalidity Complaint

A person who is dissatisfied with the result of an election or with the way in which an election was conducted may make an invalidity complaint. An invalidity complaint is made to a Court of Disputed Returns and is required to be made within 28 days of the publication of the result of an election.

No invalidity complaints were made in relation to the postal or in person elections conducted by the Commission.

ELECTION PACKAGES

Design

Election package design is important as electors may overlook that an election is occurring and discard the package alongside other unsolicited mail. The package design was intended to help focus attention on the fact that there was to be a local government election and that a postal vote was included in the envelope.

The package comprised five separate parts:

1. ballot paper(s) and candidate profiles
2. postal vote information
3. ballot paper envelope with elector's certificate attached
4. dispatch envelope
5. reply paid return envelope.



Figure 4: Package design

Ballot Paper(s) and Candidate Profiles

Ballot papers were printed using a combination of colours to avoid confusion when two or more ballot papers were included in an election package (e.g. councillor and mayoral). Security paper was used to identify any unauthorised reproduction, with the words 'illegal copy' appearing on photocopies.

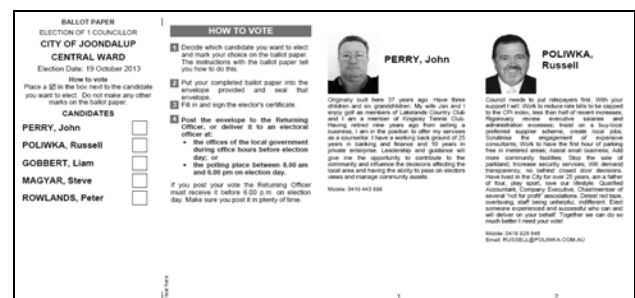


Figure 5: Ballot paper and profiles

The profiles of the candidates were printed in a standardised format along with a photograph where supplied. The profiles were attached to the ballot paper and detachable via perforations.

The profiles complied with the requirements of Regulation 24(b) and included candidate contact details to enable electors to make further enquiries of the candidates before completing their vote.

Postal Vote Information

The information brochure was in a generic form for cost saving purposes. It was designed to guide the elector through the process of completing a valid postal vote.

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The brochure was written in plain English with brief instructions. Basic information was also provided in a range of commonly used foreign languages within Western Australia.


ENVELOPES

The Ballot Paper Envelope is standardised for all local governments. The completed ballot paper is inserted into the envelope and sealed by the elector. A certificate attached to the envelope is to be completed by the elector who makes a declaration in accordance with Regulation 43(1) (e). If the elector had changed address or name, this change can be recorded on the reverse of the certificate.

The Dispatch Envelope is used to post the election package to electors. The envelope has a large window to allow the elector address and Australia Post barcode to be viewed easily. The address of the Commission is provided for the return of unclaimed mail.

A Reply Paid Envelope is used by the voter to post the completed voting papers to the returning officer for that local government. Australia Post directs the envelopes to the Commission and delivers them to the postal vote checking centre in the period leading up to election day.

DO NOT DETACH THIS FLAP



113126003663

00401 7900724
City of Stirling
Coastal Ward

Changed your Name or Address?
(Complete on reverse of this certificate)

Elector's Certificate Form 14 <small>Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997, reg. 43(1)(e)</small>	
Declaration <small>(Making a false declaration is an offence.)</small>	I am the elector to whom a package containing the attached ballot paper envelope was addressed. I declare that the attached ballot paper envelope contains my ballot paper(s).
Date: / /	Signature:

You MUST sign this declaration for your vote to count

012612 169 060

Figure 6: Front of elector's certificate

Has your name or address changed?

New name	
New residential address	Postcode
New postal address	Postcode

Figure 7: Back of elector's certificate

Election Package Dispatch

There were 1,176,014 packages dispatched to electors in 142 wards (including two wards where there was a mayoral election only) in 64 postal elections.

Packages were printed and packaged for each ward, necessitating a high level of quality control to ensure that each elector received the correct package. The contractor

responsible for the printing, insertion and lodgement of the election packages undertook a series of quality control measures during this process. This included ensuring that the correct numbers of declaration envelopes are printed and that each election package had the correct number of inserts within.

Commission staff operated on a shift basis at the printing contractor's premises in order to undertake further checking and quality assurance.

Dispatch and Return Period

All remote and country local government districts were lodged with Australia Post by 24 September 2013 and all metropolitan local government districts were lodged with Australia Post by 1 October 2013.

Many country and remote local government electors were given more than three weeks to return their ballot papers to the postal vote checking centre. Metropolitan electors were typically allowed about a three week period.

Packages from 45% of all electors choosing to vote were receipted at the operations centre within the first week.

REPLACEMENT, PROVISIONAL AND ABSENT VOTING

Each local government issued their own replacement and provisional packages. By entering the information directly into EMSWA, the election roll barcode was updated accordingly.

Local government staff members were trained by the returning officer to issue absent, provisional and replacement votes. All election material for this purpose was provided by the Commission.

Statistics on the number of replacement and provisional votes issued in each district are provided at Appendix 4.

Replacement Voting

The period for the issue of replacement voting papers commenced on the day after the election packages were dispatched and ended at 6.00 pm on election day.

Electors could obtain replacement voting papers by visiting their local government office. Electors were required to complete a Form LG 15 – *Application for Replacement Postal Voting Papers*, if a ballot paper, ballot paper envelope or a complete election package was requested.

There were 3,397 replacement voting papers issued in 2013, an average of 53 packages per district. This compares with an average of 47 in 2011 and an average of 50 in 2009.

Of the 3,397 replacement voting papers issued, 2,054 were issued prior to election day and 1,343 were issued on election day.

Provisional Voting

The issue of provisional voting papers commenced on the day after the election packages were dispatched and ended at 6.00 pm on election day.

All provisional electors were required to complete a Form LG 16 – *Provisional Voter's Declaration*.

Provisional voting papers were issued only if electors were found to have been omitted inadvertently from the residents or owners and occupiers rolls.

There were 158 provisional voting packages issued across 28 local governments in 2013 compared to 161 across 30 local governments in 2011.

Absent Voting

An elector who wished to cast an absent vote for an in person election could do so at any local government.

Absent voting started on the day of the election notice (18 September 2013) and ended on the fourth day before election day (15 October 2013).

Local government staff members were trained by the returning officer to issue absent votes. All election material for this purpose was provided by the Commission.

RETURN OF PACKAGES

Postal Vote Checking Centre

The postal vote checking centre was located at the Northbridge Centre, Corner of Roe and Beaufort Streets, Perth. Casual staff members were employed in teams to process ballot paper envelopes returned by voters.

Of the 1,176,014 packages sent to electors, voters returned 326,529, a response rate of 27.76%.

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Election Management System

The Election Management System (EMSWA) was developed initially for the management of the 2003 local government postal elections and has progressively been updated and enhanced since that time.

At the postal vote checking centre EMSWA was used to:

- scan all elector barcodes to mark the names of voters off the roll
- record the issue of replacement and provisional ballot papers
- record the number of election packages received from voters
- record the number of ballot papers to be counted on election day
- record the results of the election following the count.

Return of Packages

Mail was delivered to the postal vote checking centre by Australia Post on a daily basis from 1 October 2013.

The figures from Australia Post are only indicative of the number of completed packages returned each day. The figures do not include packages that are hand delivered to each local government office by electors.

Approximately 45% of the total number of returned packages that were returned were received at the postal vote checking centre, by the end of the first week. This compares with 48% of packages returned in 2011.

The following Chart 3, illustrates the trend for the return of packages.

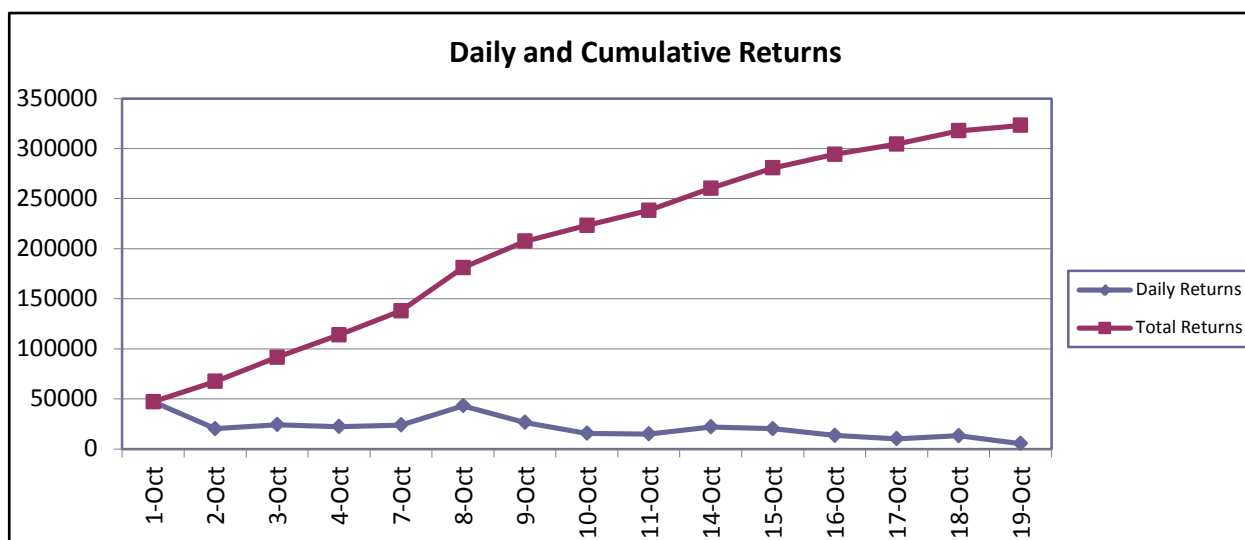


Chart 3: Postal Vote Package Receipts from Australia Post. Data Source: EMSWA

Checking Process

A considerable amount of pre-processing is required to admit a postal vote to the count. This includes:

- receipt of ballot paper envelopes from voters on a daily basis
- opening the reply paid envelopes and checking the elector's certificate
- rejecting envelopes that are not completed in accordance with Regulation 43(1)(e)
- scanning barcodes to mark each elector's name off the roll
- compiling records and statistics of returned envelopes and rejected envelopes
- removing the elector certificates from the ballot paper envelopes
- copying any elector certificates with change of name and address details

- removing the ballot paper from the ballot paper envelope without examination and placing it in a ballot box.

Each barcode was scanned to mark the voter's name off the roll. Returned packages are grouped together in bundles of 50 and allocated a batch number. Batch totals are recorded by the system and checked to ensure all barcodes are scanned.

Occasionally an elector who has been issued with a replacement package, subsequently returns their original package. EMSWA detects such an occurrence and will only allow one package to be accepted per elector per entitlement.



Figure 8: Removing votes from the ballot paper envelopes

Candidates and Scrutineers

Candidates and scrutineers were given the option of visiting the postal vote checking centre to view the processing of returned packages. A number of local government and Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) staff members and media representatives also visited the centre.

Change of Details

Name and address changes advised by residents were forwarded to the Australian Electoral Commission to allow action to be taken to update the residents' roll.

Changes in relation to owners and occupiers were returned to each local government after the election for follow-up.

These procedures assist in maintaining accuracy of the rolls.

Rejected Packages

Some returned packages are not accepted.

The principal reasons for rejection were:

- the elector certificate was not returned
- the elector certificate was not signed or
- the elector certificate was signed on behalf of the elector.

All reasons for rejecting an election package were recorded. Appendix 2 shows the number of rejected packages by local government district and the reasons for rejection.

In 2013, 14,158 (4.33%) packages were rejected from the total of 326,529 packages returned. This is marginally higher than 2011 when 14,624 (4.24%) packages were rejected from the total of 344,749 packages returned.

A total of 6,311 voters did not sign their electors' certificate in 2013 compared to 8,105 in 2011. A total of 7,756 voting papers were missing their declaration in 2013, compared to 6,260 in 2011.

The 22% reduction in the number of electors from 2011 who did not sign their electors' certificate may have been due to a slight redesign of the electors' certificate undertaken by the Commission.

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The following chart compares rejected packages in 2013 with 2011 and 2009.

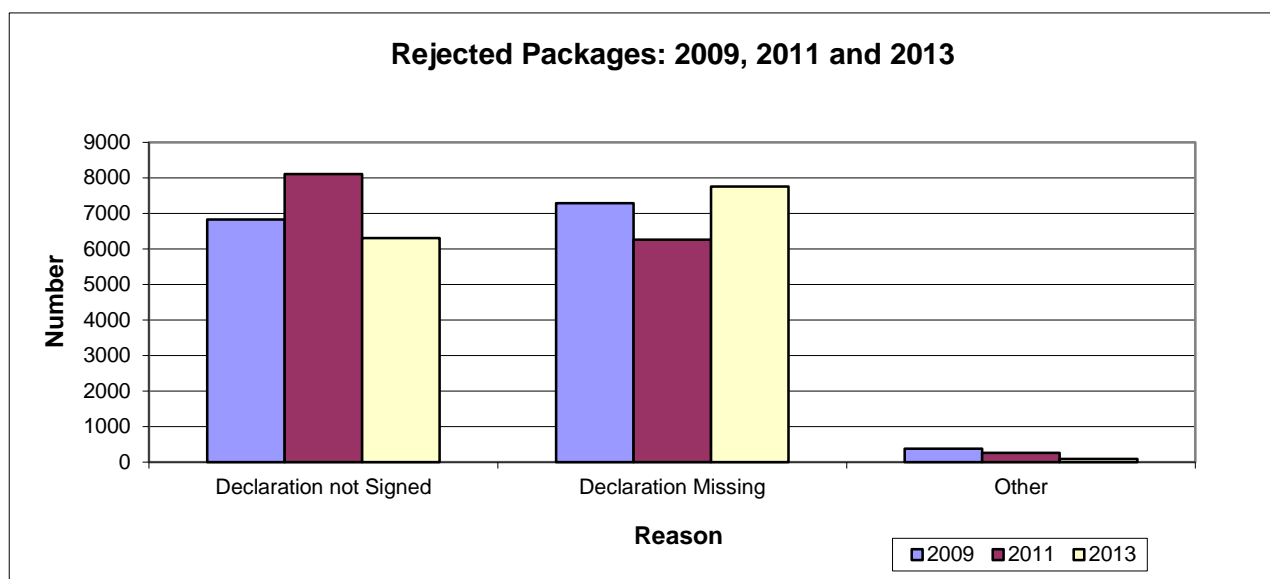


Chart 4: Rejected Packages in 2009, 2011 and 2013. Data Source: EMSWA

Dispatch of Ballot Boxes to Counting Centres

Prior to election day, sealed ballot boxes containing ballot papers were dispatched from the postal vote checking centre under secure conditions to returning officers in country districts. All metropolitan districts had their sealed ballot boxes dispatched from the postal vote checking centre on election day. On election day, the returning officers added ballot papers processed at the polling place to the total of ballot papers already in the boxes. The ballot boxes remained sealed until 6.00 pm when the count could commence.

ELECTION DAY

Polling Places

Under the legislation, one polling place must be open on election day in each local government district going to election. Generally a local government's offices are used as the polling place.

The Town of Port Hedland was the only local government with more than one polling place open on election day.

Staff at polling places issued replacement and provisional voting packages. Voters who had not posted their completed package to the postal vote checking centre could deliver it by hand to the polling place for processing.

Packages Processed on Election Day

A total of 16,134 election packages were processed on election day, 4.94% of the 326,529 packages received during the 2013 election. This has implications for some local governments as considerable pressure is placed on polling staff who were busy issuing replacement and provisional ballot papers and attending to enquiries from electors.

Some electors continue to believe that it is possible to lodge a vote in person on election day, without applying for a replacement package.

Counting of the Votes

Under the first-past-the-post voting system, voters are required to tick up to the number of vacancies specified on the ballot paper.

In local governments with one or two vacancies on the ballot paper the count was conducted manually.

Where the number of vacancies was greater than two in any one ward or where there was a large number of candidates, the Commission determined that a computer count was more efficient. This type of count has a high degree of accuracy for the more complex counts. Data entry staff were used to key in all preferences marked on the ballot papers. The software program then computes the result.

Local governments that used a computer count included:

- City of Bayswater
- City of Bunbury
- City of Cockburn
- City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
- City of Kwinana
- City of Mandurah
- City of Perth
- City of Rockingham
- City of South Perth
- City of Subiaco
- City of Swan
- City of Vincent
- City of Wanneroo
- Shire of Boddington
- Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes
- Shire of Broome
- Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup
- Shire of Coorow
- Shire of Dandaragan
- Shire of Dardanup
- Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup
- Shire of Esperance
- Shire of Exmouth
- Shire of Gingin
- Shire of Gnowangerup
- Shire of Halls Creek
- Shire of Irwin
- Shire of Kalamunda
- Shire of Katanning
- Shire of Murray
- Shire of Northam
- Shire of Peppermint Grove
- Shire of Plantagenet
- Shire of Ravensthorpe
- Shire of Roebourne
- Shire of West Arthur
- Town of Cambridge
- Town of Victoria Park

At the end of each count for election of mayor/president or councillor, the returning officer formally declared the result.

RESULTS

All results other than those relating to the Town of Victoria Park were telephoned or faxed to the central results centre on election night. These were then verified before being posted to the Commission's internet site at www.elections.wa.gov.au.

Due to a system fault with the computers provided at the Town of Victoria Park, its count was not able to be completed on election night. The Count resumed the following morning, and was concluded by 1.00 pm on Sunday 20 October 2013.

Results were published in *The West Australian* newspaper on 24 October 2013. The *Report to Minister* (Form 20) and statistics on the candidates and participation rates were produced from the Commission's election management system.

A local government specific election report, including results information, was compiled and forwarded to each local government soon after the election day.

Copies of results for all mayoral and councillor elections are at Appendix 10.

Sitting Members

Of the 780 candidates who nominated for elections in postal voting local governments, 267 were sitting members (34.23%). Of the 394 vacancies filled, sitting members were elected to 218 positions (55.30%) while other candidates were elected to 176 positions (44.70%).

Of the sitting member candidates re-contesting postal voting elections, 81.65% were re-elected compared to 75.63% in 2011.

Of the 17 candidates who nominated for the 2 voting in person local government elections, 6 were sitting councillors (35.29%). Of the successful candidates, 4 sitting candidates were re-elected (66.66%).

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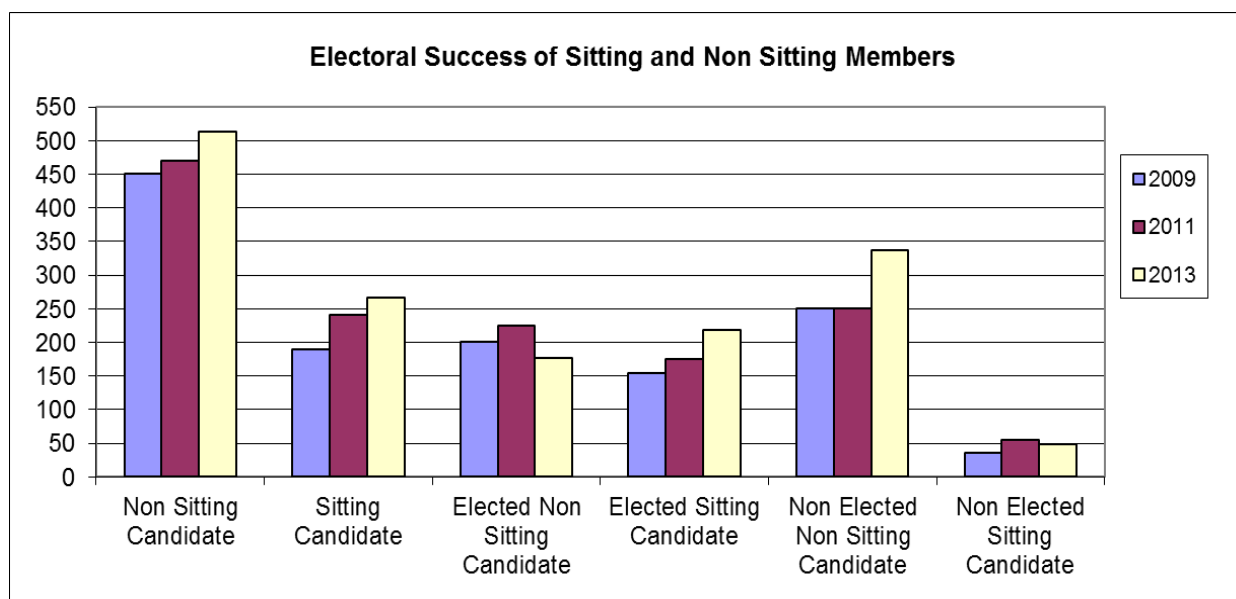


Chart 5: A Comparison of the Electoral Success of Sitting and Non Sitting Members in 2009, 2011 and 2013. Data Source: EMSWA

Candidate Statistics

The table below provides summary candidate statistics for postal voting local governments.

	Councillor	Mayor	Total
Vacancies	389	11	400
Vacancies Filled Unopposed	94	3	97
Vacancies Uncontested	6	0	6
Vacancies Contested	289	8	297
Total Candidates at Close of Nominations	747	33	780
Male Candidates	523	25	548
Female Candidates	224	8	232
Vacancies Elected Unopposed	94	3	97
Male Candidates Elected Unopposed	69	1	70
Female Candidates Elected Unopposed	25	2	27
Total Candidates in Contested Elections	653	30	683
Male Candidates in Contested Elections	454	24	478
Female Candidates in Contested Elections	199	6	205
Total Candidates Elected	383	11	394
Males Elected	257	8	264
Females Elected	126	3	130
Male Candidates Elected in Contested Elections	188	6	194
Female Candidates Elected in Contested Elections	101	2	103
Sitting Councillors/Mayors Re-Nominating	259	8	267
Sitting Councillors/Mayors not Re-Nominating	130	3	133
Total Sitting Councillors/Mayors Re-Elected	211	7	218
Sitting Councillors/Mayors Re-elected in Contested Elections	147	5	152
Sitting Councillors/Mayors Re-elected Unopposed	64	2	66
Sitting Councillors/Mayors not Re-elected	48	1	49

Table 3: Summary Candidate Statistics. Data Source: EMSWA

A summary of candidate statistics for the two voting in person elections conducted by the Commission is given in the table below.

	Councillor
Vacancies	9
Vacancies Filled Unopposed	0
Vacancies Uncontested	0
Vacancies Contested	9
Total Candidates at Close of Nominations	17
Male Candidates	7
Female Candidates	10
Vacancies Elected Unopposed	0
Male Candidates Elected Unopposed	0
Female Candidates Elected Unopposed	0
Total Candidates in Contested Elections	17
Male Candidates in Contested Elections	7
Female Candidates in Contested Elections	10
Total Candidates Elected	9
Males Candidates Elected	4
Females Candidates Elected	5
Male Candidates Elected in Contested Elections	4
Female Candidates Elected in Contested Elections	5
Sitting Councillors Re-Nominating	6
Sitting Councillors not Re-Nominating	1
Total Sitting Councillors Re-Elected	4
Sitting Councillors Re-elected in Contested Elections	4
Sitting Councillors Re-elected Unopposed	0
Sitting Councillors not Re-elected	2

Table 4: Summary Candidate Statistics. Data Source: EMSWA

PARTICIPATION

Appendix 16 compares enrolment and voter participation for local governments using the postal voting method in 2013 and/or 2011.

In the 2013 ordinary elections the following local governments were new to the postal voting method:

- Shire of Boddington
- Shire of Chapman Valley

A number of postal voting local governments recorded a decrease in their participation rate in 2013 compared to 2011. The reasons for this decrease are open to conjecture, but are largely outside the scope of this report.

The number of postal voting local governments that saw a decrease in their participation in 2013:

Number of Local Governments	Decrease in Participation %
3	More than 13
2	12-13
0	11-12
1	10-11
3	9-10
1	8-9
3	7-8
4	6-7
5	5-6
6	4-5
4	3-4
5	2-3
2	1-2
6	Less than 1

Table 5: Decrease in participation in 2013. Data Source: EMSWA

Conversely, some postal voting local governments increased their participation in 2013, as follows:

Number of Local Governments	Increase in Participation %
1	Less than 1
0	1-2
0	2-3
0	4-5
1	5-6
3	6-7
3	7-8
0	8-9
1	9-10

Table 6: Increase in participation 2013. Data Source: EMSWA

Elections for mayor or president, or where an election is being held in conjunction with a referendum, have traditionally recorded higher levels of voter interest.

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Typically elector participation is higher in smaller rural based local government districts than in more populated metropolitan districts. It should be noted that as larger populated metropolitan local governments have adopted postal voting, the State-wide average participation rate has tended to fall. Local governments with an elector base in excess of 40,000 are compared in the following chart for postal elections in 2009 and 2011.

Local Government	2009 Voter Participation	2011 Voter Participation	2013 Voter Participation
City of Armadale	30.6%	30.3%	27.1%
City of Bayswater	In Person	26.6%	25.5%
City of Cockburn	32.9%	26.9%	25.1%
City of Gosnells	25.4%	23.9%	21.8%
City of Joondalup	26.9%	23.8%	22.1%
City of Mandurah	39.9%	34.0%	33.9%
City of Melville	36.2%	34.9%	28.8%
City of Rockingham	33.6%	31.0%	25.8%
City of Stirling	29.9%	27.7%	25.0%
City of Swan	31.9%	29.8%	23.8%
City of Wanneroo	28.0%	24.6%	21.9%

Table 7: Elector base in excess of 40,000 – comparison in participation. Data Source: EMSWA

Participation rates for local governments conducting voting in person elections from 2003 are present in the following table:

Election Year	Participation Rate for Local Governments using Voting In Person System
2003	22.04%
2005	20.28%
2007	25.11%
2009	22.38%
2011	32.64%
2013	30.93%

Table 8: Local Government Participation Rates – Voting in Person Data Source: EMSWA

A full comparison between local governments using the postal election process in 2013 and/or 2011 is at Appendix 16.

Participation Ratio for Metropolitan and Country Districts

Of the 326,529 postal votes received in 2013, 72.59% were from the metropolitan area and 27.41% were from country areas.

The City of Fremantle recorded the highest metropolitan participation rate in 2013 with 40.8%. Conversely, the City of Gosnells recorded the lowest metropolitan participation rate in 2013 with 21.8%.

By comparison the City of Perth recorded the highest metropolitan participation rate of 44.8% in 2011. The City of Joondalup recorded the lowest metropolitan participation rate of 23.8% in 2011.

The Shire of Lake Grace recorded the highest participation rate (69.5%) for country local governments in 2013. Conversely the Shire of East Pilbara recorded the lowest participation rate (26.9%) for country local government elections in 2013.

In 2011, the Shire of Ravensthorpe recorded the highest participation rate of (69.4%) for country local governments, while the Shire of East Pilbara recorded the lowest participation rate (27.0%).

Participation Rates for Metropolitan Local Governments

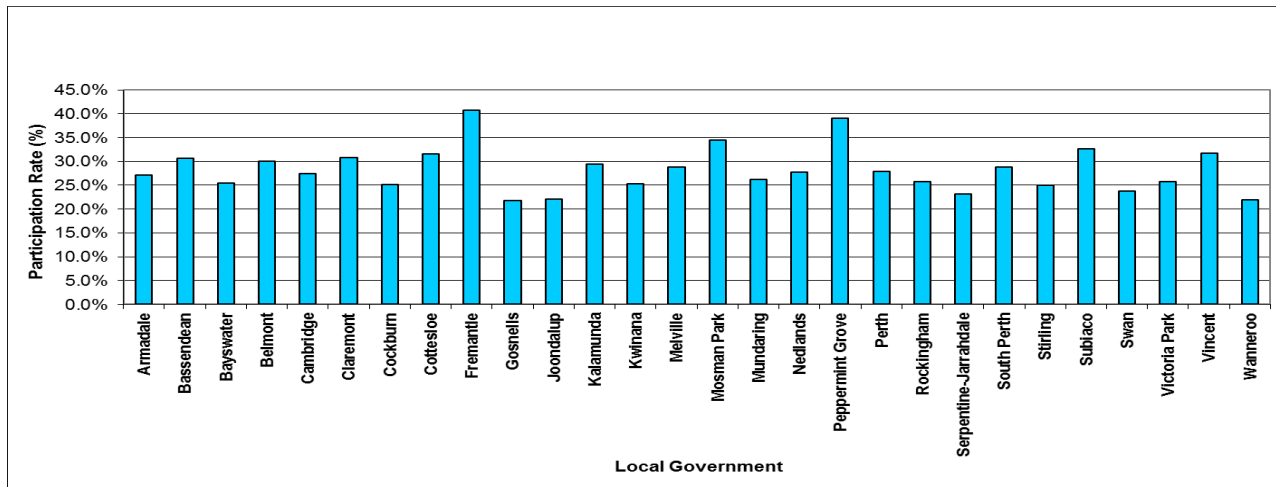


Chart 6: Participation Rate – Metropolitan Local Governments. Data Source: EMSWA

Participation Rates for Country Local Governments

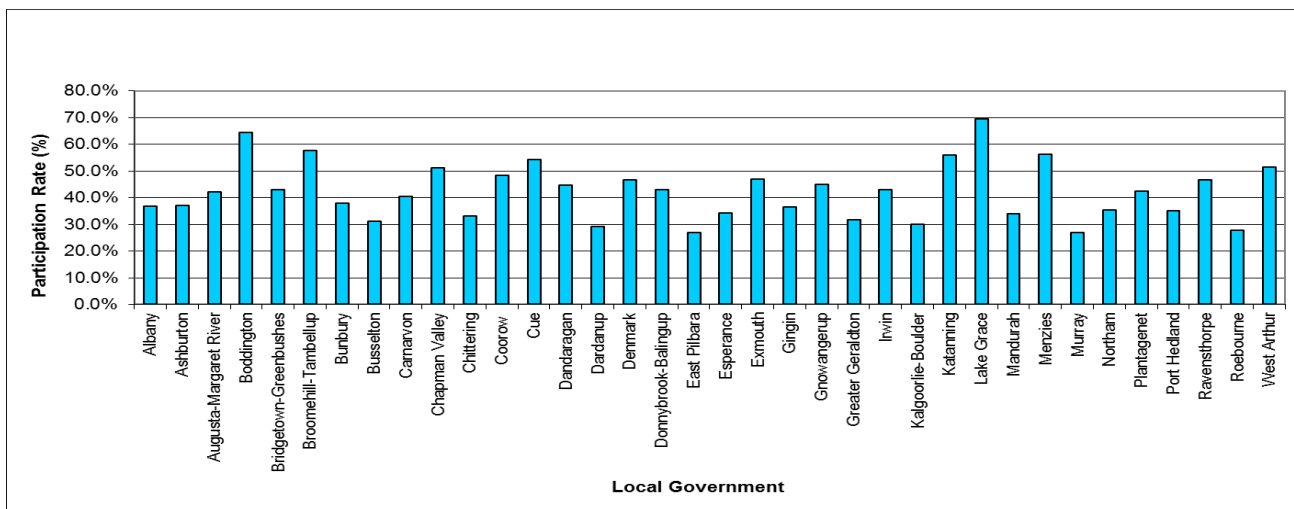


Chart 7: Participation Rate – Country Local Governments. Data Source: EMSWA

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Age of Electors and Voters

The Commission uses six age groups for comparison purposes to ascertain the emergence of trends in enrolment and voting.

In the 2013 elections the lowest voter participation (%) when compared to enrolment was recorded in the following age groups:

- 25–34
- 18–24

The highest voter participation (%) when compared to enrolment at the 2013 elections was recorded for the following age groups:

- 55–64
- 65+

In 2011, the same trend was evident as shown by the following table:

Age Groups	2013 Electors	2013 Voters	2011 Electors	2011 Voters
18–24	10.54%	5.94%	9.99%	5.90%
25–34	16.65%	9.04%	16.16%	9.01%
35–44	17.59%	12.35%	17.82%	12.99%
45–54	18.29%	16.49%	19.06%	17.58%
55–64	16.67%	20.22%	17.41%	21.25%
65+	20.25%	33.59%	19.55%	31.44%

Table 9: Age of Electors and Voters – comparison of rates
Data Source: EMSWA

At all postal elections conducted by the Commission since 1999 it has been apparent that younger electors are less inclined to vote at local government elections than those aged 45 and over. This is a matter that local governments may wish to address with a view to seeking greater involvement of the whole community in elections and Council matters.

A summary of the data in Appendix 6 shows the actual number of electors and voters by age group.

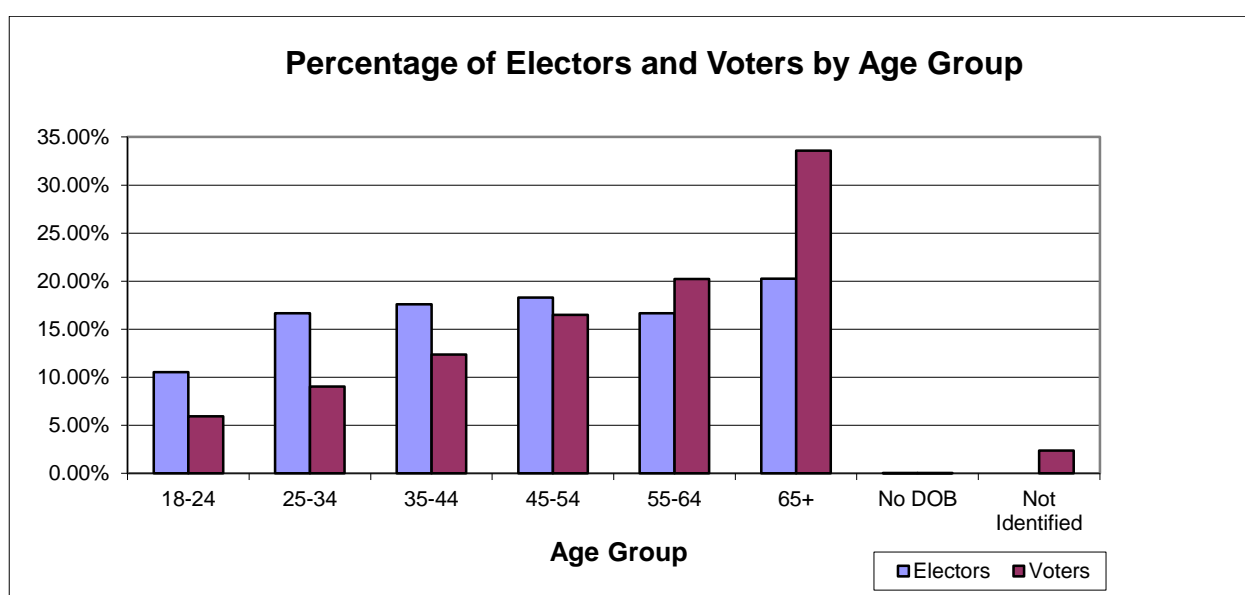


Chart 8: Percentage of Electors and Voters by Age Group. Data Source: EMSWA

Age and Gender of Electors and Voters

Gender was represented almost equally on the electoral roll for the 2013 elections, where women accounted for 51.28% of electors and 52.39% of voters. Men accounted for 48.72% of electors and 47.61% of voters. The ratios were similar in 2011.

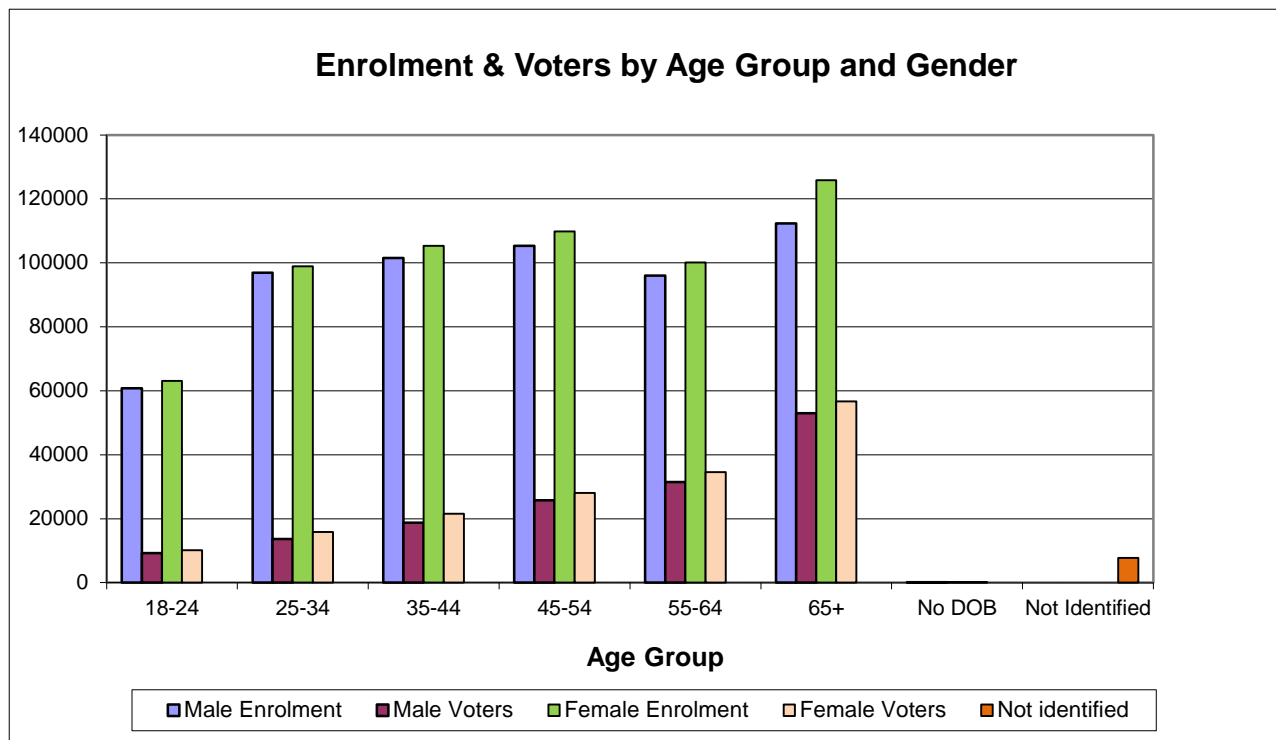


Chart 9: Enrolment & Voters by Age Group and Gender. (Note: Includes electors whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

A summary of the data is shown in Appendix 7.

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Age and Location of Electors and Voters

Whilst the majority of electors are from metropolitan local governments, the country and outer metropolitan areas make up the majority of local government districts.

In 2013, 64 local governments held contested postal elections, with 28 from the metropolitan area and 36 from country and outer metropolitan areas. In Western Australia, there are currently 138 local governments of which, 30 are in the metropolitan area and 108 are within country and outer metropolitan areas. Of the total number of enrolled electors, 78.20% were from the metropolitan area. The

highest numbers were in age groups 45–54 and 65+. In addition, 72.59% of all postal voters originated in the metropolitan area, with the highest number in age groups 55–64 and 65+.

In country-based local government elections in 2013, enrolled electors accounted for 21.80% of all electors, with the highest number in age groups 45–54 and 65+. Country-based postal voters accounted for 27.41% of all postal voters, with the highest number in age groups 55–64 and 65+.

This is illustrated by Charts 10 and 11.

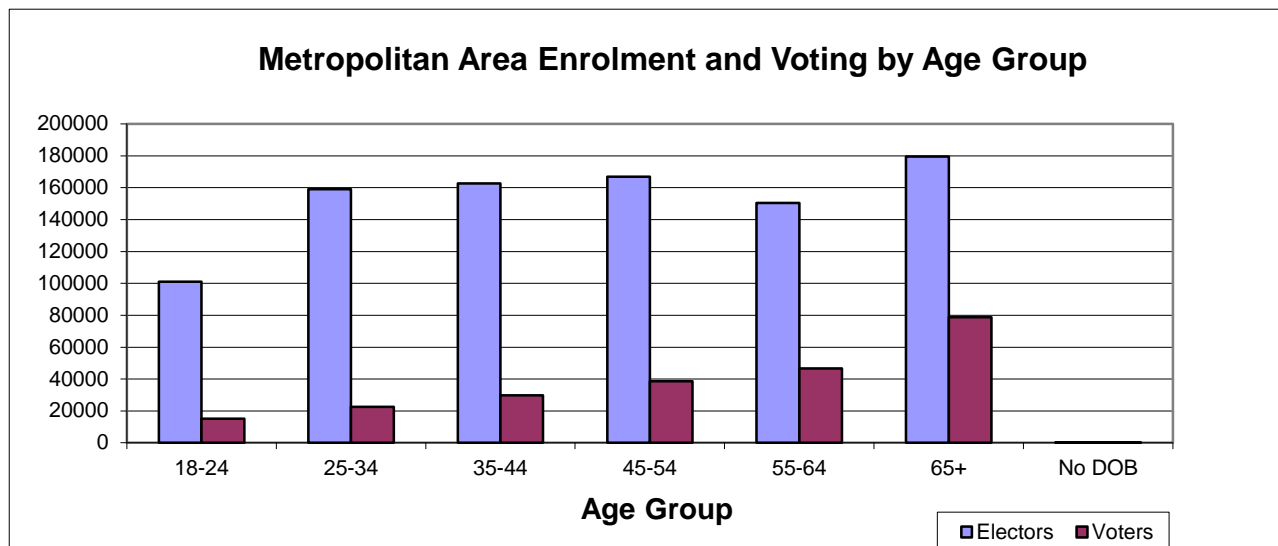


Chart 10: Enrolment and Voting in the Metropolitan Area. (Note: Includes voters whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

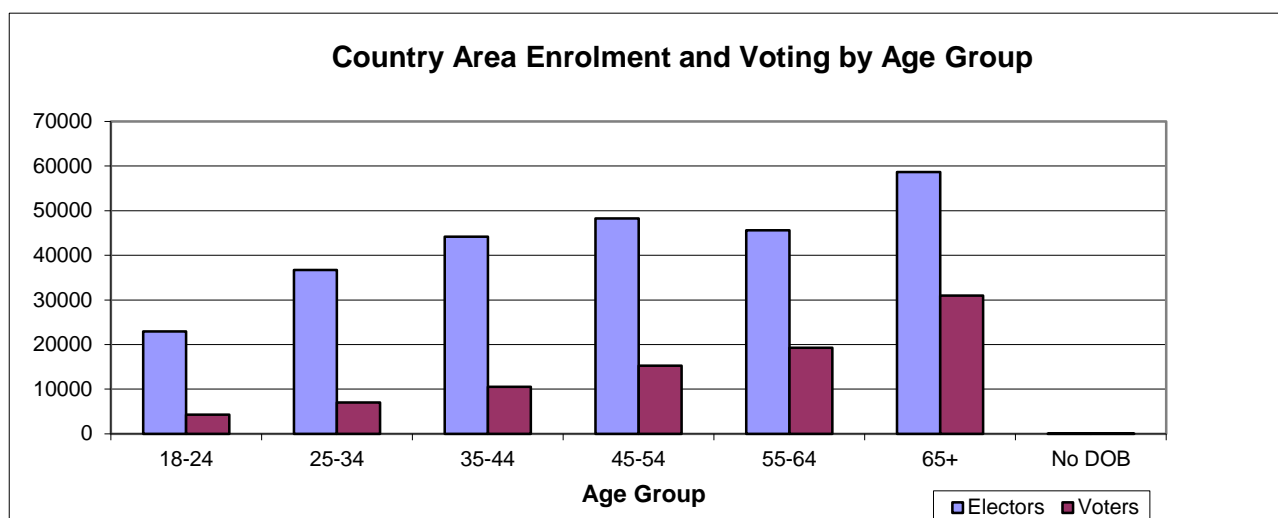


Chart 11: Enrolment and Voting in the Country. (Note: Includes voters whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

Country electors continued to vote at higher levels in proportion to enrolment numbers than did metropolitan electors.

In 2013, only 25.16% of eligible metropolitan electors voted, while in the country 34.08% of eligible electors voted, as illustrated by Chart 12.

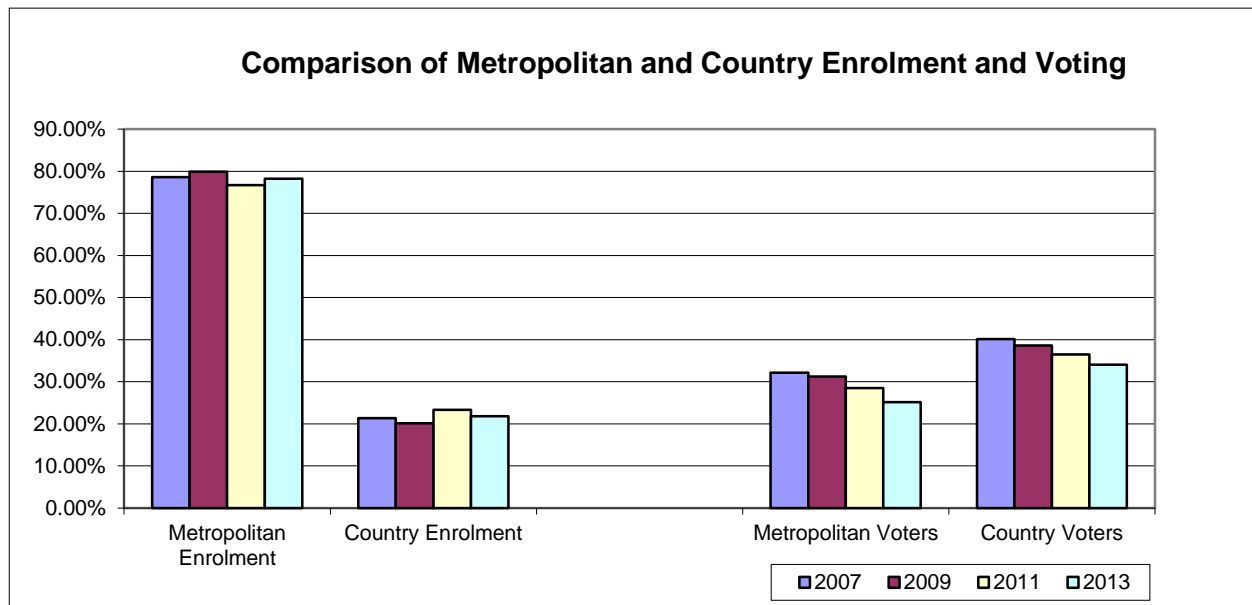


Chart 12: Metropolitan Enrolment and Voting Compared with Country Enrolment and Voting. Data Source: EMSWA

Electors and Voters by Enrolment Type

Both eligible residents and owners and occupiers are entitled to vote at local government elections.

A resident is a person who is enrolled as an elector on the State electoral roll for a residence in the local government district by the date of roll close for the election.

Non-resident owners of rateable property, who live outside the local government district, must be enrolled on the State or Commonwealth roll and must have completed an *Enrolment Eligibility Claim* form and lodged it with the Chief Executive Officer of the local government by the date of roll close.

Non-resident occupiers with a right of continuous occupation of rateable property under a lease, tenancy agreement or other legal instrument may also apply for enrolment.

The right of continuous occupation must extend for a period of at least three months at the time the person claims enrolment.

A total of 1,176,014 electors were sent a postal voting election package in 2013. Of this number, 98.59% were resident electors and 1.41% owners and occupiers.

A summary of the data in Appendix 9 shows the actual number of electors and voters by age group and enrolment type.

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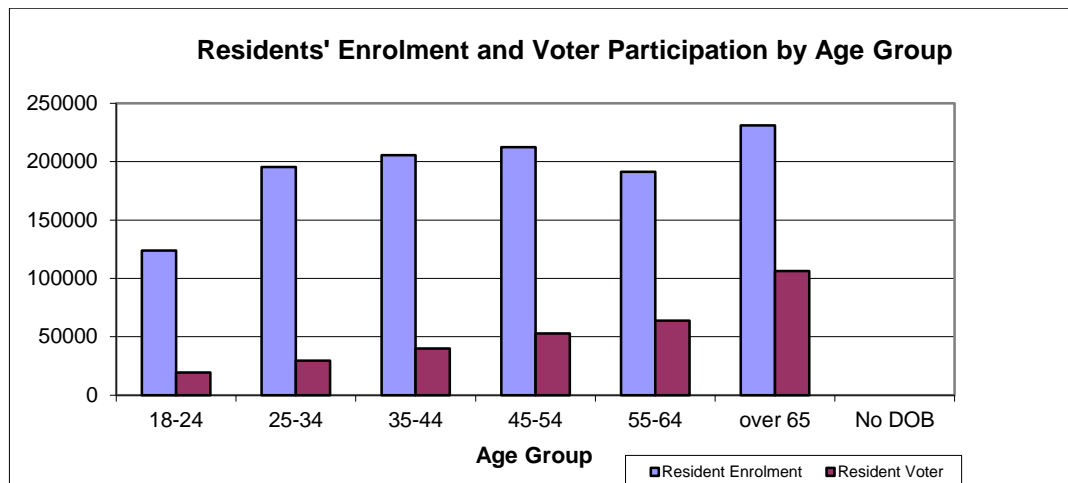


Chart 13: Residents' Enrolment and Voter Participation. (Note: Includes electors whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

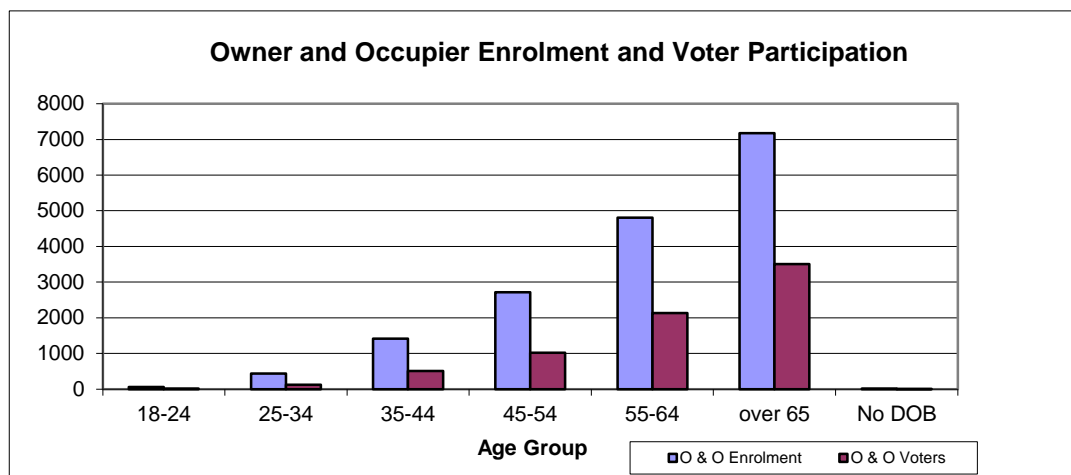


Chart 14: Owner and Occupier Enrolment and Voter Participation. (Note: Includes electors whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

Comparison of Participation in Postal and Voting in Person Elections

There were 76 local governments participating in postal voting elections in 2013 serving approximately 93% of eligible electors on the roll. Of the total number of electors who voted in the 2013 elections, postal voters accounted for over 96%.

The following table provides a comparison between postal and voting in person elections in 2013.

2013 Local Government Ordinary Elections	Postal	% of Total	In-person	% of Total
Districts participating	76	55.5%	61	44.5%
Total no. of vacancies	400	60.8%	258	39.2%
No. of vacancies uncontested (no candidates)	6	46.2%	7	53.8%
No. of vacancies with candidates elected unopposed	97	43.4%	132	56.6%
Total no. of vacancies contested	297	71.4%	119	28.6%
Number of electors in contested elections	1,176,014	96.4%	43,388	3.6%
Number of voters	326,529	96.1%	13,420	3.9%

Table 10: Summary of Participation in 2013 Local Government Elections. Total does not include Referendum or Mayoral figures, except in wards where there was a Mayoral election only (i.e. no contest for council vacancies) to avoid double counting of electors or voters. Data Source for Voting in person elections: Department of Local Government.

Postal Election Participation

Voter participation needs to be understood in the context of the number of electors and vacancies to be filled.

As indicated previously in this report, all large local governments, particularly in the metropolitan area, use postal voting and their sheer size affects the State-wide average. Larger local governments generally have lower voter participation. This has the effect of lowering the State-wide average participation rate for postal elections. Likewise, participation rates for rural based local governments are typically higher than those for local governments in more urbanised areas.

In 2013, 76 local governments used the postal voting method. Of these 64 local governments comprising 1,176,014 electors proceeded to an election and achieved an average participation of 27.76% (326,529 voters). The participation rate varies considerably, however, when one examines the elector base of different local governments.

The postal voting participation rate for various local governments by elector base is illustrated in Table 11 and Chart 15. It can be seen that the most populated local governments typically have the lowest elector participation rates and have a significant impact on the State-wide average.

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Elector Base	No. of Local Governments	Total Number of Enrolled Electors	Electors in Contested Wards	Voters	Average Participation Rate
0-300	3	629	278	153	55.04%
301-999	8	5,591	2,255	1,208	53.57%
1,000-2,499	13	21,681	15,880	7,683	48.38%
2,500-4,999	9	31,676	24,288	9,412	38.75%
5,000-9,999	11	80,873	51,672	17,520	33.91%
10,000-19,999	12	177,124	146,212	42,896	29.34%
20,000-29,999	8	188,003	169,299	54,391	32.13%
30,000-39,999	1	37,837	37,837	11,127	29.41%
40,000-49,999	2	82,621	77,104	20,206	26.21%
50,000-59,999	1	50,512	50,512	17,102	33.86%
60,000 plus	8	665,927	600,677	144,831	24.11%
Total	76	1,342,474	1,176,014	326,529	27.76%

Table 11: Summary of electors and voters by group of postal voting local governments. Data Source: EMSWA

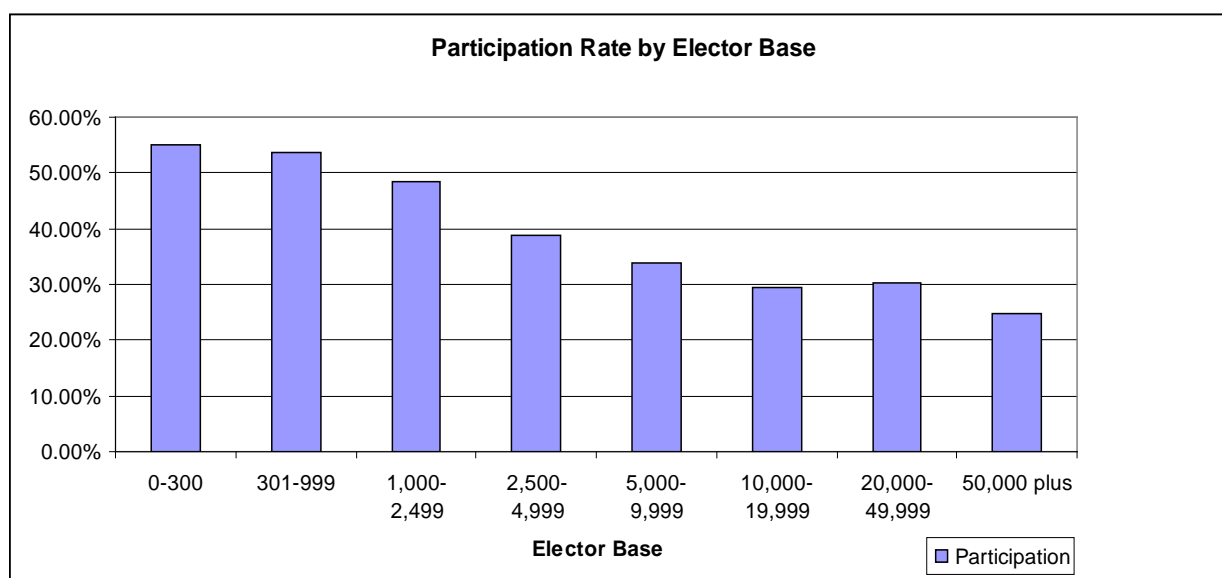


Chart 15: Voter Participation, Postal local governments according to elector base. Data Source: EMSWA

Voting In Person Election Participation

Appendix 17 indicates the average participation rate for voting in person local government elections in 2013.

Of the 61 local governments opting for an in person election, only one was located within the metropolitan area (i.e. Town of East Fremantle) and only 32 proceeded to election. The 32 that proceeded to election comprised a total of 43,388 electors, of which 13,420 voted; giving an average participation rate of 30.93%.

As with postal elections, participation rates vary considerably and there is a close correlation with the size of the elector base.

The participation rate for voting in person elections for various local governments by elector base is illustrated in Table 11 and Chart 16.

Elector Base	No. of Local Governments	Total Number of Enrolled Electors	Electors in Contested Wards	Voters	Average Participation Rate
0-300	9	1,757	727	328	45.12%
301-999	35	19,742	7,293	2,847	39.04%
1,000-2,499	9	13,044	5,210	1,578	30.29%
2,500-4,999	5	16,034	14,354	4,325	30.13%
5,000-9,999	3	19,863	15,804	4,342	27.47%
Total	61	70,440	43,388	13,420	30.93%

Table 12: Summary of electors and voters by elector base group for voting in person local governments.
Data Source: Department of Local Government.

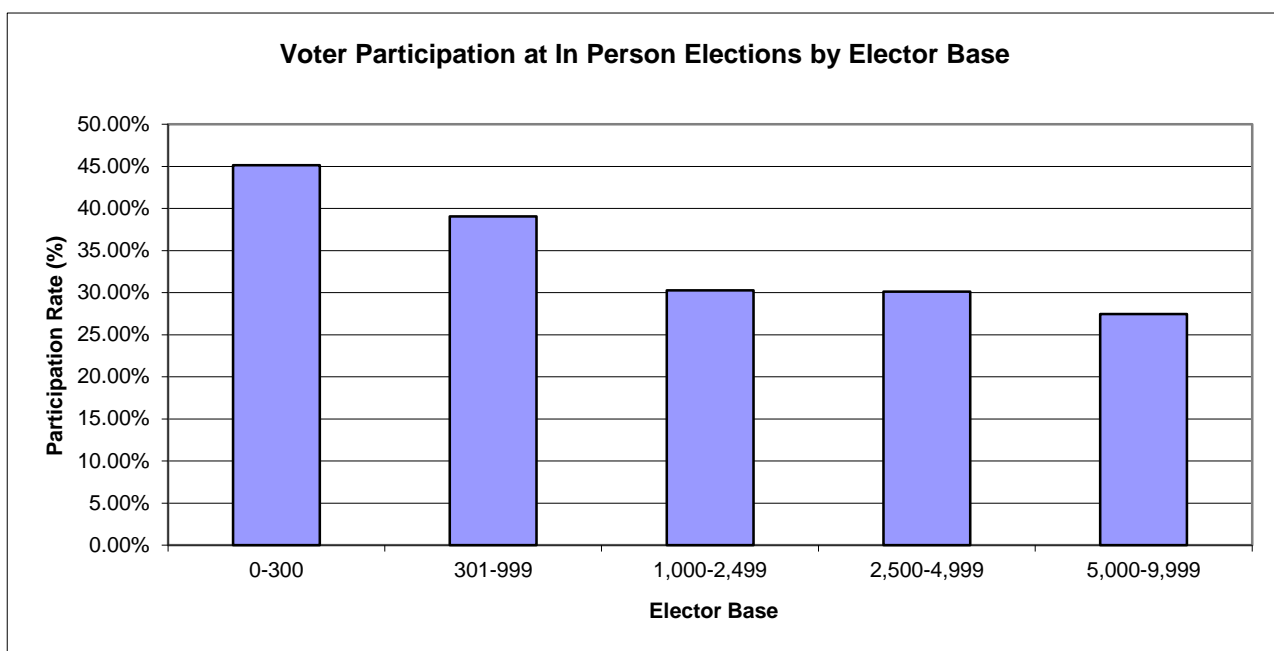


Chart 16: Voter Participation, voting in person local governments according to elector base. Data Source: Department of Local Government.

Participation Comparison of Elector Bases across all Local Governments

While elector participation is generally higher for local governments with smaller elector bases, it is also evident that postal elections typically result in higher participation rates than in person elections, as illustrated in Table 13.

Historically, large metropolitan local governments would often record a participation rate of less than 10% when utilising in person ballots.

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Elector Base	Participation %		No. of Local Governments	
	Postal	Voting In Person	Postal	Voting In Person
0-300	55.04%	49.72%	3	10
301-999	53.57%	38.33%	8	34
1,000-2,499	48.38%	27.53%	13	10
2,500-4,999	38.75%	31.59%	9	4
5,000-9,999	33.91%	27.33%	11	3
10,000-19,999	29.34%		12	
20,000-29,999	32.13%		8	
30,000-39,999	29.41%		1	
40,000-49,999	26.21%		2	
50,000-59,999	33.86%		1	
60,000 plus	24.11%		8	
Total			76	61

Table 13: Summary comparison of voter participation, voting in person and postal according to elector base. Data Source: EMSWA

Elector Participation Over Six Ordinary Postal Elections

It is evident that voter interest in local government elections in both the metropolitan and country areas has slowly declined over the last six ordinary postal elections. Individual local governments still experience fluctuations where there are elections that generate special interest from the community such as

the election of a mayor or the conjoint conduct of a referendum on an important local issue.

As indicated previously, the size of a local government's elector base is one of the prime determinants of likely elector participation. Nevertheless, it is open to debate as to the other possible reasons why elector participation appears to be on a downward trend.

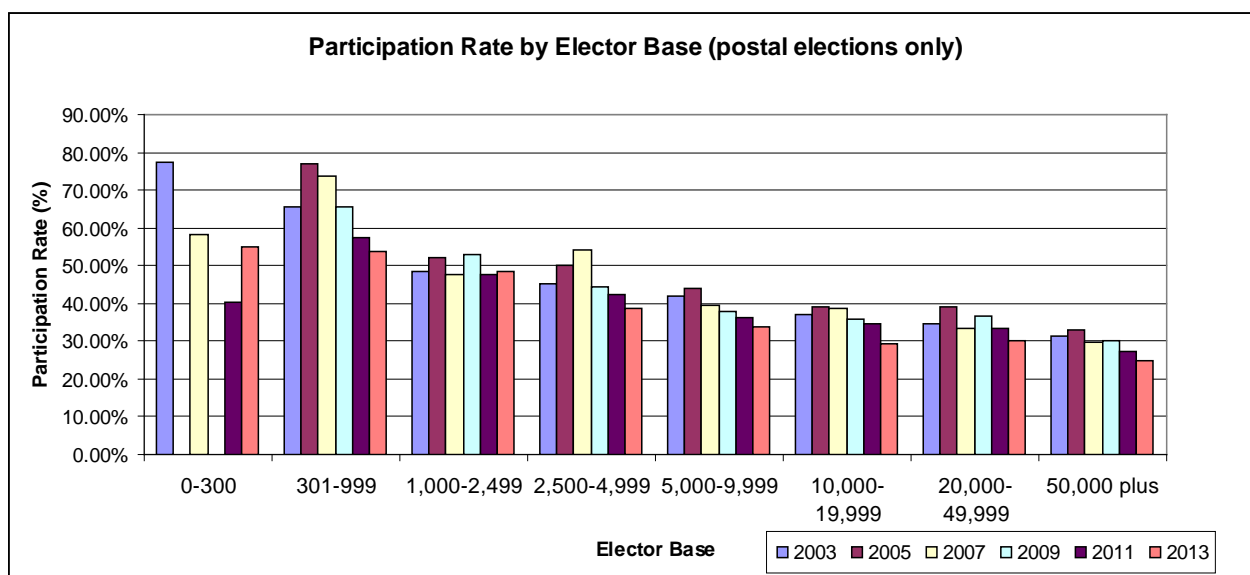


Chart 17: Postal election participation over six ordinary elections by size of elector base. Data Source: EMSWA

MAIL

Late Mail

Unfortunately, as is normally the case, some electors did not return their completed package in time for them to be included in the count. Late mail details for each local government are shown at Appendix 14.

The Commission endeavoured to minimise late mail by arranging a special delivery through Australia Post on the morning of election day, as well as including relevant messages in the election package and in advertising and media releases.

Voters also had the option of returning their completed package by hand to their local government's polling place(s) by 6.00 pm on election day.

Unclaimed Mail

If an elector was no longer at the address shown on the roll, the Commission attempted to direct the election package to another address if this had changed since the date of roll close.

There were 12,353 election packages returned as unclaimed mail in 2013, representing 1.05% of packages dispatched. This compared with 22,243 in 2011 or 2.00% of packages dispatched.

Following the election, the Commission collated unclaimed packages by local government district.

Mail not claimed by owners and occupiers was forwarded to each local government so steps could be taken to update the owners and occupiers roll.

Mail not claimed by residents on the roll was forwarded to the AEC to verify an ongoing entitlement to be enrolled. If this entitlement no longer existed, the process to have their names removed from the roll will be commenced.

Unclaimed mail details for each local government are shown at Appendix 15.

COSTS

At the October 2013 postal elections the average cost per elector increased by approximately 9% to \$2.89 in comparison to the 2011 elections. This was mainly due to a postage rate increase of 17% and an 8% increase in staff pay rates.

The Commission is required to conduct local government elections on a full accrual cost recovery basis under the *Local Government Act 1995*. Whilst cost estimates are provided prior to the election, the actual cost incurred must be passed on. The estimates include approximations of the number of candidates, electors, advertising, mailing, staffing requirements and so on, but excludes costs for additional items such as localised advertising that might be requested by individual local governments.

Once final costs are known after the elections, each local government client is sent an invoice and a summary of the cost break-down.

Election costs can be classified as either direct costs attributed to a specific local government (e.g. local advertising costs and returning officer fees) or those costs that are shared and assigned to each local government on a pro-rata basis depending on the number of electors (e.g. permanent Commission staff costs and the cost of operating the central processing centre).

Smaller local governments are more affected by direct fixed costs, such as fees paid to returning officers and advertising. If the costs are apportioned per elector, they can appear to be quite high. Conversely, smaller local governments benefit from the sharing of indirect costs when they are apportioned over a large total elector base.

While the larger local governments are still affected by direct fixed costs, the cost per elector is relatively low due to the larger elector base that costs are apportioned over.

Clearly the scale of an election will impact on cost. The smallest election conducted by the Commission was the Shire of Cue with 166 electors. The largest was the City of Stirling with 132,920 electors.

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Since conducting the first local government postal elections in the 1990s, the Commission has strived to keep costs to a minimum and has introduced a number of initiatives aimed at streamlining processes or reducing election package production costs.

Some of the strategies employed in 2013 to help keep costs to a minimum were:

- competitive tendering for services such as printing and package compilation
- pooling of work to ensure economies of scale in printing, postage and production of election packages
- use of online staff training modules
- centralised processing of returned packages
- increased use of technological efficiencies.

The Commission has been successful in constraining the cost paid by local governments for postal elections over the past decade. This is demonstrated by the fact that in 2003 the State-wide average cost per elector at postal elections run by the Commission was \$2.73. At the 2013 elections the average cost per elector was still only \$2.89, despite CPI rises and increases in postage and labour costs. As suggested above, increasing economies of scale and the adoption of various efficiency innovations have enabled postal election cost increases to be kept to a minimum.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

At the October 2013 local government elections the Commission managed the highest number of ordinary postal elections it has conducted to date – 76 in total involving some 93% of the State's eligible electors. The total number of local governments conducting postal ballots in 2015 is likely to be lower than this figure given plans to significantly reduce the number of metropolitan councils. However, the total number of electors participating in postal ballots is likely to remain about the same.

While the 2013 local government elections were generally very well managed and effectively filled all but six of the 400 vacancies up for election, there are some matters that are of concern to the Commission. These have been raised with the Department of Local Government and Communities and other key stakeholders.

- Section 4.88 of the *Local Government Act 1995* deals with misleading, false or defamatory statements expressed during an election. The Commission has received legal advice indicating that because of changes in State legislation as well as case law in this area, the courts are likely to view the existing clause relating to defamation as infringing the Constitutional limitation against laws burdening communications about government and political matters.

From an operational perspective, as presently worded part of this section of the Act causes confusion for candidates and sitting councillors and creates unrealistic expectations of what the Electoral Commissioner can do to resolve complaints made.

Since the election, this problem has been noted by the Department of Local Government and Communities and moves are now afoot to seek an appropriate amendment to the *Local Government Act*.

- This report highlights the problem of declining elector participation rates at local government elections in general. While postal elections are still typically recording higher participation rates than in person ballots, the average State-wide participation rate for postal elections has now fallen below 30%.

Low elector participation rates raise questions such as the legitimacy of an elected council and the extent to which a council represents all demographic sectors of a community.

The Commission believes that a concerted and multi-faceted effort is required, one that involves all stakeholders, if this general decline in participation is to be reversed. This would likely involve additional resources being applied to elector education and advertising, as well as the investigation of possible changes to legislation, available voting options and logistical arrangements.

- The general decline in the service level provided by Australia Post, particularly in some regional areas of the State, may start to influence whether particular local governments use the postal voting option for their elections.

Clearly, time delays experienced with the delivery of residential addressed mail is a growing concern. In addition to delivery problems or a lack of service in some regional parts of the State, some metropolitan local governments reported delays with the delivery of election packages compared to previous elections.

Such delays not only reduce the time available to electors to complete and return their election packages, but can also make it more difficult for candidates to plan their campaigning activities.

- The proposed reduction in the number of local government districts in the metropolitan area will have a significant impact on Commission operations in two key areas. Changes to electoral boundaries will require intensive activity within a limited timeframe in order to update and confirm the local government district and ward codes assigned to affected residential addresses on the State roll. Similar work will be required by affected local governments with respect to their owners and occupier rolls.

The Commission will also need to amend its election plans, resourcing arrangements, and operations to accommodate the revised mix of metropolitan local governments, when conducting their inaugural elections in 2015.

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – 2013 Local Government Ordinary Election Timeline

Days to Polling Day	Local Government Act	References 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)	Wed	31/07/2013
80	A decision made to conduct the election as a postal election cannot be rescinded after the 80th day.	LGA 4.61(5)	Wed	31/07/2013
70	Electoral Commissioner to appoint a person to be the Returning Officer of the Local Government for the election.	LGA 4.20 (4)	Sat	10/08/2013
70 to 56	Between the 70th/56th day the CEO is to give Statewide public notice of the time and date of close of enrolments. Preferred date Wednesday 14 August 2013	LGA 4.39(2)	Sat to Sat	10/08/2013 to 24/08/2013
56	Last day for the CEO to advise the Electoral Commissioner of the need to prepare a residents roll.	LGA 4.40(1)		24/08/2013
56	Advertising may begin for nominations from 56 days and no later than 45 days before election day. Preferred date Wednesday 28 August 2013	LGA 4.47(1)	Sat	24/08/2013
50	Close roll 5.00 pm	LGA 4.39(1)	Fri	30/08/2013
45	Last day for advertisement to be placed calling for nominations.	LGA 4.47(1)	Wed	4/09/2013
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	5/09/2013
38	If a candidate's nomination is withdrawn not later than 4.00 pm on the 38th day before election day, the candidate's deposit is to be refunded.	Reg. 27(5)	Wed	11/09/2013
37	Close of Nominations 4.00 pm on the 37th day before election day.	LGA 4.49(a)	Thu	12/09/2013
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	13/09/2013
29	Commencement of lodgement of Country Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.		Fri	20/09/2013
24	Commencement of lodgement of Metropolitan Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.		Wed	25/09/2013
22	The preparation of any consolidated roll under subregulation (1) be completed on or before 22nd day before election day.	Reg. 18(2)	Fri	27/09/2013
19	Last day for the Returning Officer to give Statewide public notice of the election. Preferred date Wednesday 18 September 2013	LGA 4.64(1)	Mon	30/09/2013
19	Public Holiday		Mon	30/09/2013
18	Commence processing returned election packages		Tue	1/10/2013
0	Election Day Close of poll 6.00 pm	LGA 4.7	Sat	19/10/2013

Post Election Day	Post Declaration	References to Act/Regs		Date
5	Election result advertisement.	LGA 4.77	Thu	24/10/2013
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	2/11/2013
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	16/11/2013

Appendix 2 – Reasons for Rejection of Voter Packages

District	Declaration Not Signed	Declaration Missing	Other	Total
City of Albany	162	218	4	384
City of Armadale	205	205	0	410
Shire of Ashburton	2	14	0	16
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	59	79	1	139
Town of Bassendean	59	81	0	140
City of Bayswater	229	347	3	579
City of Belmont	143	133	0	276
Shire of Boddington	6	11	0	17
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	12	24	0	36
Shire of Brookton	0	0	0	0
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	6	11	1	18
City of Bunbury	109	186	0	295
City of Busselton	146	166	1	313
Town of Cambridge	106	90	1	197
Shire of Capel	0	0	0	0
Shire of Carnarvon	32	24	0	56
Shire of Chapman Valley	5	9	0	14
Shire of Chittering	16	23	0	39
Town of Claremont	11	17	1	29
City of Cockburn	293	402	0	695
Shire of Collie	0	0	0	0
Shire of Coorow	3	21	0	24
Town of Cottesloe	10	11	0	21
Shire of Cue	0	2	0	2
Shire of Dandaragan	22	23	0	45
Shire of Dardanup	49	47	0	96
Shire of Denmark	13	27	0	40
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	30	32	0	62
Shire of East Pilbara	11	12	0	23
Shire of Esperance	42	59	2	103
Shire of Exmouth	14	19	0	33
City of Fremantle	137	194	2	333
Shire of Gingin	22	51	0	73
Shire of Gnowangerup	9	9	0	18
City of Gosnells	311	241	2	554
City of Greater Geraldton	159	215	1	375
Shire of Harvey	0	0	0	0
Shire of Irwin	22	30	0	52
Shire of Jerramungup	0	0	0	0
City of Joondalup	385	523	2	910
Shire of Kalamunda	193	210	2	405
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	101	79	0	180
Shire of Katanning	29	89	0	118
Shire of Kent	0	0	0	0
City of Kwinana	108	106	0	214
Shire of Lake Grace	5	5	0	10
City of Mandurah	308	477	18	803
City of Melville	378	409	9	796
Shire of Menzies	0	1	0	1
Shire of Merredin	0	0	0	0
Shire of Moora	0	0	0	0
Town of Mosman Park	27	50	0	77
Shire of Mundaring	60	83	0	143
Shire of Murray	57	69	2	128
City of Nedlands	34	31	0	65
Shire of Northam	27	40	1	68
Shire of Peppermint Grove	9	13	0	22

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District	Declaration Not Signed	Declaration Missing	Other	Total
City of Perth	43	44	1	88
Shire of Plantagenet	23	26	0	49
Town of Port Hedland	46	65	0	111
Shire of Ravensthorpe	10	21	0	31
City of Rockingham	403	453	1	857
Shire of Roebourne	37	51	0	88
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	46	38	0	84
Shire of Shark Bay	0	0	0	0
City of South Perth	99	120	7	226
City of Stirling	495	530	13	1038
City of Subiaco	33	64	0	97
City of Swan	262	273	0	535
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	0	0	0	0
Town of Victoria Park	117	97	1	215
City of Vincent	84	172	1	257
City of Wanneroo	427	579	14	1020
Shire of Waroona	0	0	0	0
Shire of West Arthur	10	5	0	15
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	6311	7756	91	14158

Appendix 3 – Enrolment and Voter Participation

District	Enrolment ¹	Voter Participation ²	Percentage Participation
City of Albany	24,485	8,986	36.7%
City of Armadale	35,776	9,686	27.1%
Shire of Ashburton	627	233	37.2%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	8,946	3,771	42.2%
Town of Bassendean	10,124	3,101	30.6%
City of Bayswater	41,328	10,520	25.5%
City of Belmont	21,386	6,412	30.0%
Shire of Boddington	1,047	674	64.4%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	2,673	1,150	43.0%
Shire of Brookton		No election	
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	796	459	57.7%
City of Bunbury	21,278	8,069	37.9%
City of Busselton	23,158	7,211	31.1%
Town of Cambridge	17,860	4,914	27.5%
Shire of Capel		No election	
Shire of Carnarvon	2,524	1,019	40.4%
Shire of Chapman Valley	813	417	51.3%
Shire of Chittering	3,313	1,098	33.1%
Town of Claremont	2,180	672	30.8%
City of Cockburn	60,431	15,196	25.1%
Shire of Collie		No election	
Shire of Coorow	1,083	525	48.5%
Town of Cottesloe	1,461	462	31.6%
Shire of Cue	166	90	54.2%
Shire of Dandaragan	2,499	1,115	44.6%
Shire of Dardanup	8,538	2,484	29.1%
Shire of Denmark	1,596	744	46.6%
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	3,936	1,696	43.1%
Shire of East Pilbara	2,505	674	26.9%
Shire of Esperance	5,973	2,057	34.4%
Shire of Exmouth	1,615	759	47.0%
City of Fremantle	19,922	8,125	40.8%
Shire of Gingin	4,321	1,581	36.6%
Shire of Gnowangerup	1,048	473	45.1%
City of Gosnells	64,033	13,987	21.8%
City of Greater Geraldton	24,030	7,601	31.6%
Shire of Harvey		No election	
Shire of Irwin	2,497	1,073	43.0%
Shire of Jerramungup		No election	
City of Joondalup	107,845	23,797	22.1%
Shire of Kalamunda	37,837	11,127	29.4%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	15,613	4,666	29.9%
Shire of Katanning	2,469	1,380	55.9%
Shire of Kent		No election	
City of Kwinana	17,230	4,359	25.3%
Shire of Lake Grace	613	426	69.5%
City of Mandurah	50,512	17,102	33.9%
City of Melville	68,758	19,799	28.8%
Shire of Menzies	112	63	56.3%
Shire of Merredin		No election	
Shire of Moora		No election	
Town of Mosman Park	5,847	2,019	34.5%
Shire of Mundaring	13,298	3,489	26.2%
Shire of Murray	10,673	2,878	27.0%
City of Nedlands	7,551	2,099	27.8%
Shire of Northam	5,301	1,884	35.5%
Shire of Peppermint Grove	1,133	443	39.1%

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City of Perth	10,825	3,023	27.9%
Shire of Plantagenet	3,420	1,450	42.4%
Town of Port Hedland	5,829	2,052	35.2%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	1,249	582	46.6%
City of Rockingham	66,665	17,225	25.8%
Shire of Roebourne	7,597	2,119	27.9%
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	8,336	1,931	23.2%
Shire of Shark Bay		No election	
City of South Perth	20,562	5,924	28.8%
City of Stirling	96,468	24,093	25.0%
City of Subiaco	8,317	2,714	32.6%
City of Swan	42,571	10,132	23.8%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne		No election	
Town of Victoria Park	19,761	5,086	25.7%
City of Vincent	21,102	6,699	31.7%
City of Wanneroo	93,906	20,602	21.9%
Shire of Waroona		No election	
Shire of West Arthur	646	332	51.4%
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu		No election	
TOTAL	1,176,014	326,529	27.76%

¹ Enrolment – Elector figures for contested elections

² The voter participation consists of the number of returned voting packages.

Appendix 4 – Replacement and Provisional Votes Issued

District	Replacement Votes	Provisional Votes
City of Albany	50	23
City of Armadale	59	0
Shire of Ashburton	1	0
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	43	3
Town of Bassendean	49	0
City of Bayswater	175	0
City of Belmont	112	26
Shire of Boddington	30	0
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	42	0
Shire of Brookton*		
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	4	2
City of Bunbury	99	4
City of Busselton	56	0
Town of Cambridge	62	5
Shire of Capel*		
Shire of Carnarvon	16	3
Shire of Chapman Valley	9	1
Shire of Chittering	15	0
Town of Claremont	2	0
City of Cockburn	83	0
Shire of Collie*		
Shire of Coorow	10	0
Town of Cottesloe	10	0
Shire of Cue	11	0
Shire of Dandaragan	42	7
Shire of Dardanup	23	0
Shire of Denmark	6	0
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	28	0
Shire of East Pilbara	5	3
Shire of Esperance	72	0
Shire of Exmouth	25	3
City of Fremantle	362	0
Shire of Gingin	26	0
Shire of Gnowangerup	5	0
City of Gosnells	125	3
City of Greater Geraldton	93	4
Shire of Harvey*		
Shire of Irwin	31	0
Shire of Jerramungup*		
City of Joondalup	69	1
Shire of Kalamunda	81	1
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	60	0
Shire of Katanning	31	0
Shire of Kent*		
City of Kwinana	30	0
Shire of Lake Grace	4	3
City of Mandurah	256	0
City of Melville	87	1
Shire of Menzies	5	0
Shire of Merredin*		
Shire of Moora*		
Town of Mosman Park	72	0
Shire of Mundaring	21	0
Shire of Murray	42	0
City of Nedlands	31	0
Shire of Northam	28	2

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District	Replacement Votes	Provisional Votes
Shire of Peppermint Grove	15	1
City of Perth	64	1
Shire of Plantagenet	18	0
Town of Port Hedland	197	7
Shire of Ravensthorpe	4	0
City of Rockingham	32	43
Shire of Roebourne	46	0
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	19	0
Shire of Shark Bay*		
City of South Perth	70	1
City of Stirling	55	5
City of Subiaco	34	2
City of Swan	43	0
Shire of Upper Gascoyne*		
Town of Victoria Park	32	1
City of Vincent	110	0
City of Wanneroo	57	1
Shire of Waroona*		
Shire of West Arthur	3	1
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu*		
TOTAL	3,397	158

*Shires of Brookton, Capel, Collie, Harvey, Jerramungup, Kent, Merredin, Moora, Shark Bay, Upper Gascoyne, Waroona and Wongan-Ballidu did not proceed to election.

Appendix 5 – Summary of Activity in October 2013 Local Government Postal Elections

Local Government	Wards	Contested Wards	Vacancies	Candidates	Contested	Unopposed	Uncontested	Electors	Packages Sent	Packages Returned	Mayoral	% Returned
City of Albany	6	6	6	15	6	0	0	24,485	24,485	8,986		36.7%
City of Armadale	7	6	7	19	6	1	0	41,293	35,776	9,686		27.1%
Shire of Ashburton	3	1	4	5	1	3	0	2,371	627	233		37.2%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	3	3	4	9	4	0	0	8,946	8,946	3,771		42.2%
Town of Bassendean	1	1	3	9	3	0	0	10,124	10,124	3,101		30.6%
City of Bayswater	4	4	6	16	6	0	0	41,328	41,328	10,520		25.5%
City of Belmont	3	3	5	15	5	0	0	21,386	21,386	6,412		30.0%
Shire of Boddington	1	1	4	9	4	0	0	1,047	1,047	674		64.4%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	2	1	5	8	4	1	0	3,304	2,673	1,150		43.0%
Shire of Brookton*	1	0	5	5	0	5	0	690	0	0		
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	1	1	4	6	4	0	0	796	796	459		57.7%
City of Bunbury	1	1	8	23	8	0	0	21,278	21,278	8,069	Yes	37.9%
City of Busselton	1	1	4	12	4	0	0	23,158	23,158	7,211		31.1%
Town of Cambridge	2	2	4	12	4	0	0	17,860	17,860	4,914		27.5%
Shire of Capel*	1	0	5	5	0	5	0	9,424	0	0		
Shire of Carnarvon	4	3	5	9	4	1	0	3,151	2,524	1,019		40.4%
Shire of Chapman Valley	2	2	4	6	4	0	0	813	813	417		51.3%
Shire of Chittering	1	1	3	4	3	0	0	3,313	3,313	1,098		33.1%
Town of Claremont	3	1	5	6	1	4	0	6,906	2,180	672	Yes	30.8%
City of Cockburn	3	3	6	15	6	0	0	60,431	60,431	15,196	Yes	25.1%
Shire of Collie*	1	0	5	5	0	5	0	6,069	0	0		
Shire of Coorow	1	1	5	6	5	0	0	1,083	1,083	525		48.5%
Town of Cottesloe	4	4	5	6	1	4	0	5,612	1,461	462	Yes	31.6%
Shire of Cue	1	1	3	4	3	0	0	166	166	90		54.2%
Shire of Dandaragan	1	1	5	8	5	0	0	2,499	2,499	1,115		44.6%
Shire of Dardanup	1	1	7	9	7	0	0	8,538	8,538	2,484		29.1%
Shire of Denmark	3	1	4	5	1	3	0	4,609	1,596	744		46.6%
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	1	1	5	9	5	0	0	3,936	3,936	1,696		43.1%

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Local Government	Wards	Contested Wards	Vacancies	Candidates	Contested	Unopposed	Uncontested	Electors	Packages Sent	Packages Returned	Mayoral	% Returned
Shire of East Pilbara	5	2	7	10	4	3	0	3,019	2,505	674		26.9%
Shire of Esperance	2	1	5	7	4	1	0	8,866	5,973	2,057		34.4%
Shire of Exmouth	1	1	4	6	4	0	0	1,615	1,615	759		47.0%
City of Fremantle	6	4	7	14	5	2	0	19,922	19,922	8,125	Yes	40.8%
Shire of Gingin	1	1	4	8	4	0	0	4,321	4,321	1,581		36.6%
Shire of Gnowangerup	1	1	6	7	6	0	0	1,048	1,048	473		45.1%
City of Gosnells	1	1	7	25	7	0	0	64,033	64,033	13,987		21.8%
City of Greater Geraldton	7	7	7	17	7	0	0	24,030	24,030	7,601		31.6%
Shire of Harvey*	1	0	6	6	0	6	0	16,066	0	0		
Shire of Irwin	1	1	4	6	4	0	0	2,497	2,497	1,073		43.0%
Shire of Jerramungup*	1	0	3	2	0	2	1	723	0	0		
City of Joondalup	6	6	7	24	7	0	0	107,845	107,845	23,797	Yes	22.1%
Shire of Kalamunda	4	4	6	18	6	0	0	37,837	37,837	11,127		29.4%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	1	1	7	14	7	0	0	15,613	15,613	4,666		29.9%
Shire of Katanning	1	1	5	9	5	0	0	2,469	2,469	1,380		55.9%
Shire of Kent*	1	0	4	3	0	3	1	426	0	0		
City of Kwinana	1	1	4	8	4	0	0	17,230	17,230	4,359		25.3%
Shire of Lake Grace	3	1	9	12	5	4	0	1,052	613	426		69.5%
City of Mandurah	4	4	7	26	7	0	0	50,512	50,512	17,102	Yes	33.9%
City of Melville	6	6	6	19	6	0	0	68,758	68,758	19,799		28.8%
Shire of Menzies	2	1	4	6	2	2	0	281	112	63		56.3%
Shire of Merredin*	1	0	5	4	0	4	1	2,075	0	0		
Shire of Moora*	1	0	5	5	0	5	0	1,543	0	0		
Town of Mosman Park	2	2	4	10	4	0	0	5,847	5,847	2,019	Yes	34.5%
Shire of Mundaring	4	2	6	9	3	3	0	25,729	13,298	3,489		26.2%
Shire of Murray	1	1	6	11	6	0	0	10,673	10,673	2,878		27.0%
City of Nedlands	4	2	6	9	3	3	0	14,956	7,551	2,099		27.8%
Shire of Northam	3	2	5	10	4	1	0	6,314	5,301	1,884		35.5%
Shire of Peppermint Grove	1	1	5	7	5	0	0	1,133	1,133	443		39.1%
City of Perth	1	1	4	8	4	0	0	10,825	10,825	3,023		27.9%
Shire of Plantagenet	1	1	5	6	5	0	0	3,420	3,420	1,450		42.4%

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Local Government	Wards	Contested Wards	Vacancies	Candidates	Contested	Unopposed	Uncontested	Electors	Packages Sent	Packages Returned	Mayoral	% Returned
Town of Port Hedland	1	1	6	10	6	0	0	5,829	5,829	2,052	Yes	35.2%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	1	1	3	5	3	0	0	1,249	1,249	582		46.6%
City of Rockingham	4	4	5	19	5	0	0	66,665	66,665	17,225		25.8%
Shire of Roebourne	3	2	6	11	5	1	0	8,522	7,597	2,119		27.9%
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	3	2	5	9	4	1	0	12,584	8,336	1,931		23.2%
Shire of Shark Bay*	2	0	3	2	0	2	1	502	0	0		
City of South Perth	4	3	8	16	6	2	0	26,835	20,562	5,924		28.8%
City of Stirling	7	5	7	21	5	2	0	132,920	96,468	24,093		25.0%
City of Subiaco	4	3	8	12	6	2	0	11,510	8,317	2,714	Yes	32.6%
City of Swan	6	3	8	18	4	4	0	71,369	42,571	10,132		23.8%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne*	1	0	4	4	0	4	0	182	0	0		
Town of Victoria Park	2	2	4	13	4	0	0	19,761	19,761	5,086		25.7%
City of Vincent	2	2	5	18	5	0	0	21,102	21,102	6,699	Yes	31.7%
City of Wanneroo	4	4	8	23	8	0	0	93,906	93,906	20,602		21.9%
Shire of Waroona*	1	0	4	4	0	4	0	2,603	0	0		
Shire of West Arthur	1	1	4	5	4	0	0	646	646	332		51.4%
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu*	1	0	6	4	0	4	2	995	0	0		
TOTAL	185	140	400	780	297	97	6	1,342,474	1,176,014	326,529		27.76%

*Shires of Brookton, Capel, Collie, Harvey, Jerramungup, Kent, Merredin, Moora, Shark Bay, Upper Gascoyne, Waroona and Wongan-Ballidu did not proceed to a full election.

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Appendix 6 – Electors and Voter Participation by Age Group

Summary of Enrolled Electors and Voter Participation by Age Group

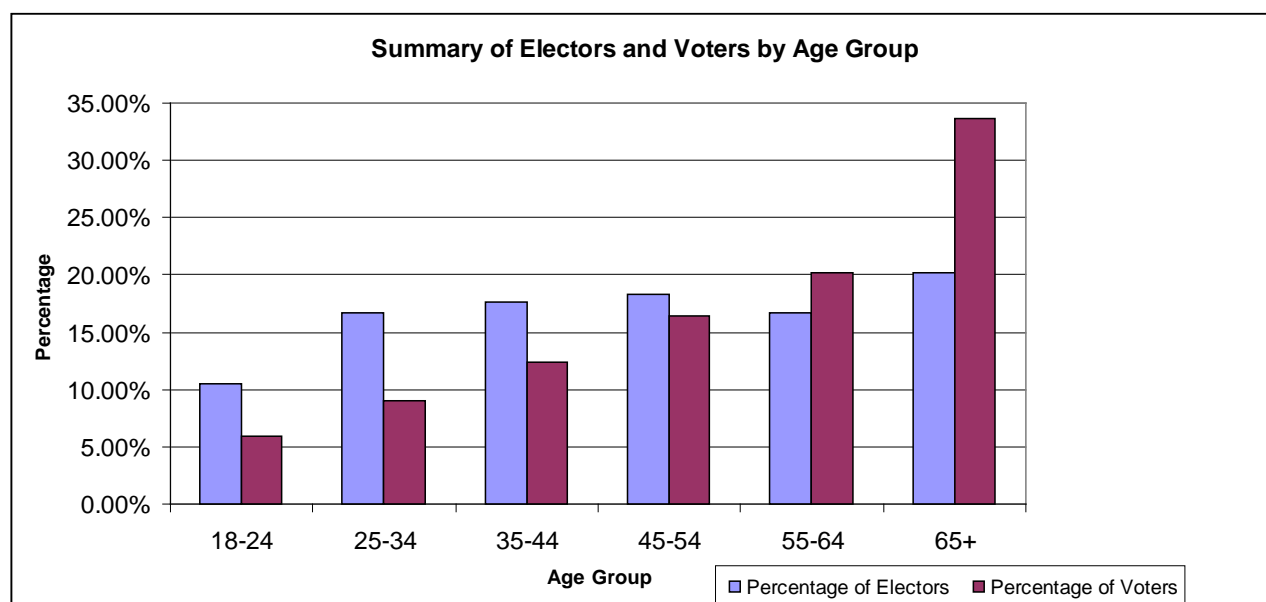
Age	Electors ¹	Percentage of Electors	Voters ²	Percentage of Voters
18–24	123,969	10.5%	19,392	5.9%
25–34	195,854	16.7%	29,512	9.0%
35–44	206,875	17.6%	40,335	12.4%
45–54	215,109	18.3%	53,834	16.5%
55–64	196,085	16.7%	66,013	20.2%
65+	238,106	20.2%	109,680	33.6%
No DOB ³	16	0.0%	7	0.0%
Not identified ⁴			7,756	2.4%
Total	1,176,014	100.0%	326,529	100.0%

¹ Enrolled elector figures for contested elections only.

² Voters – returned voting packages (accepted and rejected).

³ No DOB – electors for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

⁴ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.



Appendix 7 – Electors and Voter Participation by Age and Gender

Summary of Enrolled Electors by Age Group and Gender¹

Age	Male		Female		Unknown		Total
18–24	60,820	10.6%	63,145	10.5%	4	20.0%	123,969
25–34	96,932	16.9%	98,198	16.4%	4	20.0%	195,854
35–44	101,557	17.7%	105,310	17.5%	8	40.0%	206,875
45–54	105,317	18.4%	109,791	18.2%	1	5.0%	215,109
55–64	96,000	16.8%	100,084	16.6%	1	5.0%	196,085
65+	112,292	19.6%	125,812	20.9%	2	10.0%	238,106
No DOB ²	6	0.0%	10	0.0%	0	0.0%	16
All	572,924	100.0%	603,070	100.0%	20	100.0%	1,176,014

Summary of Voter Participation by Age Group and Gender

Age	Male		Female		Unknown		Total
18-24	9,223	6.1%	10,169	6.1%	0	0.0%	19,392
25-34	13,636	9.0%	15,875	9.5%	1	20.0%	29,512
35-44	18,743	12.3%	21,589	12.9%	3	60.0%	40,335
45-54	25,737	17.0%	28,097	16.8%	0	0.0%	53,834
55-64	31,483	20.7%	34,529	20.7%	1	20.0%	66,013
65+	52,945	34.9%	56,735	34.0%	0	0.0%	109,680
No DOB ²	4	0.00%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	7
Not identified ³							7756
All	151,771	100.0%	166,997	100.0%	5	100.0%	326,529

¹ Enrolled elector figures for contested elections only.

² No DOB – electors for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

³ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.

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Appendix 8 – Electors and Voter Participation by Age and Location

Summary of Enrolled Electors by Age Group and Location¹

Age	Metro ²		Country/Other ³		Total
18–24	101,003	11.0%	22,966	9.0%	123,969
25–34	159,153	17.3%	36,701	14.3%	195,854
35–44	162,680	17.7%	44,195	17.2%	206,875
45–54	166,867	18.1%	48,242	18.8%	215,109
55–64	150,490	16.4%	45,595	17.8%	196,085
65+	179,466	19.5%	58,640	22.9%	238,106
No DOB ⁴	7	0.0%	9	0.0%	16
All	919,666	100.0%	256,348	100.0%	1,176,014

Summary of Voter Participation by Age Group and Location

Age	Metro ²		Country/Other ³		Total
18–24	15,063	6.5%	4,329	5.0%	19,392
25–34	22,496	9.7%	7,016	8.0%	29,512
35–44	29,803	12.9%	10,532	12.1%	40,335
45–54	38,568	16.7%	15,266	17.5%	53,834
55–64	46,725	20.2%	19,288	22.1%	66,013
65+	78,741	34.0%	30,939	35.4%	109,680
No DOB ⁴	3	0.00%	4	0.0%	7
Not identified ⁵					7,756
All	231,399	100.0%	87,374	100.0%	326,529

¹ Enrolled elector figures for contested elections only.

² Metro – electors with postal addresses in the Perth metropolitan area.

³ Country/Other – electors with postal addresses out of the Perth metropolitan area.

⁴ No DOB – electors for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

⁵ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.

Appendix 9 – Electors and Voter Participation by Age and Enrolment Category

Summary of Enrolled Electors by Age Group and Enrolment Category¹

Age	Resident		Owners/Occupiers		Total
18–24	123,911	10.7%	58	0.3%	123,969
25–34	195,416	16.9%	438	2.6%	195,854
35–44	205,465	17.7%	1,410	8.5%	206,875
45–54	212,390	18.3%	2,719	16.4%	215,109
55–64	191,281	16.5%	4,804	28.9%	196,085
65+	230,933	19.9%	7,173	43.2%	238,106
No DOB ²	0	0.0%	16	0.1%	16
All	1,159,396	100.0%	16,618	100.0%	1,176,014

Summary of Voter Participation by Age Group and Enrolment Category

Age	Residents		Owners/Occupiers		Total
18–24	19,376	6.2%	16	0.2%	19,392
25–34	29,391	9.4%	121	1.7%	29,512
35–44	39,826	12.8%	509	7.0%	40,335
45–54	52,817	17.0%	1,017	13.9%	53,834
55–64	63,881	20.5%	2,132	29.2%	66,013
65+	106,175	34.1%	3,505	48.0%	109,680
No DOB ²	0	0.0%	7	0.1%	7
Not identified ³					7756
All	311,466	100.0%	7,307	100.0%	326,529

¹ Enrolled elector figures for contested elections only.

² No DOB – electors for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

³ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.

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Appendix 10 – Election Results (Postal Elections)

CITY OF ALBANY

BREAKSEA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HAMMOND, Ray	989	(73.37%)	21 October 2017
CROSSEN, Tom	359	(26.63%)	
Total Valid Votes	1348		
Informal	13	(0.96%)	
Total Votes Received	1361		

FREDRICKSTOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MOIR, Anthony	451	(32.05%)	21 October 2017
PEMBERTON, Michael	276	(19.62%)	
DOWLING, Carolyn	680	(48.33%)	
Total Valid Votes	1407		
Informal	2	(0.14%)	
Total Votes Received	1409		

KALGAN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PRICE, Janelle	932	(62.22%)	21 October 2017
GATES, John	284	(18.96%)	
JAMIESON, John	282	(18.83%)	
Total Valid Votes	1498		
Informal	7	(0.47%)	
Total Votes Received	1505		

VANCOUVER

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BOSTOCK, David Eric	455	(41.63%)	21 October 2017
WILLIAMS, Nicolette	638	(58.37%)	
Total Valid Votes	1093		
Informal	8	(0.73%)	
Total Votes Received	1101		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
DUFTY, Don	452	(28.23%)	
MORAN, Michael	450	(28.11%)	
GOODE, Alison	699	(43.66%)	
Total Valid Votes	1601		
Informal	2	(0.12%)	
Total Votes Received	1603		

YAKAMIA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
SUTTON, Robert	954	(59.77%)	
CHESTER, Max	642	(40.23%)	
Total Valid Votes	1596		
Informal	2	(0.13%)	
Total Votes Received	1598		

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CITY OF ARMADALE

HERON

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
SHAW, Donna			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

JARRAH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
ANSTEY, Brad	637	(34.81%)	21 October 2017
WIELINGA, Caroline	676	(36.94%)	
DEN HAAN, Theo	103	(5.63%)	
SCIDONE, Laurie	414	(22.62%)	
Total Valid Votes	1830		
Informal	8	(0.44%)	
Total Votes Received	1838		

LAKE

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
PIIPPONEN, Timothy	288	(19.99%)	21 October 2017
FROST, Carole	809	(56.14%)	
VIRK, Sam	89	(6.18%)	
MAUGER, Wayne	255	(17.70%)	
Total Valid Votes	1441		
Informal	8	(0.55%)	
Total Votes Received	1449		

MINNAWARRA			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
NORMAN, Matthew	727	(48.79%)	
MEHTA, Homi	159	(10.67%)	
BRUNING, Derek	287	(19.26%)	
LAMOTTE, Wendy	317	(21.28%)	
Total Valid Votes	1490		
Informal	11	(0.73%)	
Total Votes Received	1501		

NEERIGEN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
BUSBY, Bret	576	(40.06%)	
BEST, Guenter	862	(59.94%)	
Total Valid Votes	1438		
Informal	10	(0.69%)	
Total Votes Received	1448		

PALOMINO			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
CAMPBELL, Colin	1204	(92.47%)	
MUBARAKAI, Scherezade	98	(7.53%)	
Total Valid Votes	1302		
Informal	6	(0.46%)	
Total Votes Received	1308		

RIVER			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
SARGESON, Laurence	137	(8.07%)	
BUTTERFIELD, Ruth	1560	(91.93%)	
Total Valid Votes	1697		
Informal	2	(0.12%)	
Total Votes Received	1699		

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SHIRE OF ASHBURTON

PANNAWONICA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
WRIGHT, Denis James			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

PARABURDOO

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
CHAN, Jessica	49	(22.58%)	21 October 2017
DIAS, Douglas Ivan	168	(77.42%)	
Total Valid Votes	217		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	217		

TOM PRICE

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BLOEM, Tony			21 October 2017
FERNANDEZ, Cecilia			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF AUGUSTA-MARGARET RIVER

LEEUWIN		
Candidate	Votes	
DENTON, Maurice D	247	(21.96%)
HASTIE, Kim	878	(78.04%)
Total Valid Votes	1125	
Informal	3	(0.27%)
Total Votes Received	1128	
		21 October 2017

MARGARET RIVER		
Candidate	Votes	
MAIDMENT, Barbara	299	(33.11%)
HAYNES, Felicity	352	(38.98%)
JARVIS, Matt	252	(27.91%)
Total Valid Votes	903	
Informal	6	(0.66%)
Total Votes Received	909	
		21 October 2017

NORTH		
Candidate	Votes	
McGREGOR, Jenny	627	(22.72%)
EARL, Ian	800	(28.99%)
KENNAUGH, Kylie	804	(29.13%)
HODSDON, Linton	529	(19.17%)
Total Valid Votes	2760	
Informal	3	(0.11%)
Total Votes Received	2763	
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017

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TOWN OF BASSENDEAN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
LEWIS, Mike	1257	(15.41%)	21 October 2017
JEKABSONS, Nonie	815	(9.99%)	
PIANTADOSI, Angie	924	(11.33%)	
PULE, Gerry	1018	(12.48%)	21 October 2017
BENZ, Heinrich	857	(10.51%)	
BRIDGES, Paul	1389	(17.03%)	21 October 2017
MOTHERWAY, Laura	458	(5.61%)	
MCLENNAN, Renée	658	(8.07%)	
KLEIN, TINA	782	(9.59%)	
Total Valid Votes	8158		
Informal	11	(0.13%)	
Total Votes Received	8169		

CITY OF BAYSWATER

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ASSANTEH, Hadi	272	(10.51%)	21 October 2017
McKENNA, Barry	1547	(59.78%)	
WIRTZ, Mark	769	(29.71%)	
Total Valid Votes	2588		
Informal	19	(0.73%)	
Total Votes Received	2607		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
RADFORD, Alan	1007	(22.82%)	21 October 2017
SUTHERLAND, Michelle	1268	(28.74%)	21 October 2017
PITTAWAY, Graham	949	(21.51%)	
WHITEHOUSE, Mark	1003	(22.73%)	
McCALLUM, Ken	185	(4.19%)	
Total Valid Votes	4412		
Informal	10	(0.23%)	
Total Votes Received	4422		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
FREDERICKSON, Jahanna	563	(28.05%)	21 October 2017
RIFICI, John	1044	(52.02%)	
PALMER, Sally	400	(19.93%)	
Total Valid Votes	2007		
Informal	5	(0.25%)	
Total Votes Received	2012		

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WEST		
Candidate	Votes	
ROBINSON, Marlene	1478	(27.14%)
FLEETON, Brent	380	(6.98%)
COATES, Stephanie	1496	(27.47%)
ROSSI, Joe	586	(10.76%)
KENYON, Terry	1505	(27.64%)
Total Valid Votes	5445	
Informal	14	(0.26%)
Total Votes Received	5459	
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017

CITY OF BELMONT

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DAVIES, Jenny	482	(28.91%)	21 October 2017
GEE, Janet	454	(27.23%)	
WESTON, Terrance	173	(10.38%)	
RYAN, Bernie	558	(33.47%)	
Total Valid Votes	1667		
Informal	13	(0.77%)	
Total Votes Received	1680		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
GARDNER, Patrick	1289	(31.62%)	21 October 2017
PETHICK, Sue	914	(22.42%)	
PURVIS, Eric	231	(5.67%)	
POWELL, Janet	968	(23.75%)	
DORNFORD, Gerard	556	(13.64%)	
JNEID, Rateb	118	(2.89%)	
Total Valid Votes	4076		21 October 2017
Informal	7	(0.17%)	
Total Votes Received	4083		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DOHERTY, Kris	265	(6.43%)	21 October 2017
MARTIN, Brenda	508	(12.33%)	
CAYOUN, Lauren	1547	(37.56%)	
HITT, Paul	1324	(32.14%)	
GLEESON, Neale	475	(11.53%)	
Total Valid Votes	4119		
Informal	8	(0.19%)	21 October 2017
Total Votes Received	4127		

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SHIRE OF BODDINGTON

BODDINGTON			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
NELSON, Mel	289	(13.14%)	21 October 2017
BEATON, Geoffrey	103	(4.68%)	
ALLERT, John	273	(12.41%)	21 October 2017
DAVIES, Keith	162	(7.36%)	
BATT, Joan	250	(11.36%)	21 October 2017
COLLINS, Toni	425	(19.32%)	
HEWTON, Jeff	354	(16.09%)	21 October 2017
DAY, Gregory	230	(10.45%)	
VEITCH, Dennis	114	(5.18%)	
Total Valid Votes	2200		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	2200		

SHIRE OF BRIDGETOWN-GREENBUSHES

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
SCALLAN, Pat			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
HODSON, Steve	509	(13.92%)	21 October 2017
DAVY, June	485	(13.26%)	
SOUTHWELL, Michael	484	(13.23%)	
QUINBY, Peter	533	(14.57%)	21 October 2017
BOYLE, Julia Ann	530	(14.49%)	21 October 2017
WILSON, Alan	767	(20.97%)	21 October 2017
SANDBERG, Marta	349	(9.54%)	
Total Valid Votes	3657		
Informal	2	(0.05%)	
Total Votes Received	3659		

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SHIRE OF BROOKTON

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
ALLINGTON, Louise	Elected	Unopposed	17 October 2015
CRUTE, Katrina	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
FANCOTE, Theresa	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
WALKER, Neil	Elected	Unopposed	17 October 2015
WILKINSON, Kym	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF BROOMEHILL-TAMBELLUP

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	BATCHELOR, Mike	241 (15.84%)	
	PAGANONI, Mark	333 (21.89%)	
	TURNER, Melanie	174 (11.44%)	
	PROUT, Trevor	301 (19.79%)	
	DENNIS, Craig	267 (17.55%)	
	PENNY, Steve	205 (13.48%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1521	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	1521		

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CITY OF BUNBURY

MAYOR			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
STECK, Michelle	1383	(18.13%)	
SLATER, Ross	305	(4.00%)	
KELLY, Brendan	1174	(15.39%)	
BRENNAN, Gary	1636	(21.45%)	21 October 2017
SMITH, David	1369	(17.95%)	
MORRIS, Sam	440	(5.77%)	
MCGREGOR, Alan	706	(9.26%)	
COOK, Murray	615	(8.06%)	
Total Valid Votes	7628		
Informal	40	(0.52%)	
Total Votes Received	7668		

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
GILES, Wendy	4215	(9.67%)	21 October 2017
WAGSTAFF, Dennis	1829	(4.20%)	
WILD, Percy	1790	(4.11%)	
MAJOR, Wayne	2587	(5.94%)	
STECK, Michelle	3461	(7.94%)	21 October 2017
HAYWARD, James	3711	(8.52%)	21 October 2017
DE SAN MIGUEL, Jaysen	4227	(9.70%)	21 October 2017
WILLETTS, Glen	2464	(5.65%)	
SCANTLEBURY, Lil	2252	(5.17%)	
LEIGH, Alfred	2291	(5.26%)	
SLATER, Ross	2626	(6.03%)	
STEELE, Karen	3588	(8.23%)	21 October 2017
MCCLEARY, Betty	2882	(6.61%)	17 October 2015
SMITH, David	2689	(6.17%)	
JONES, Judy	2969	(6.81%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	43581		
Informal	39	(0.09%)	
Total Votes Received	43620		

CITY OF BUSSELTON

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HERRIDGE, Lee	798	(3.15%)	
THOMAS, Brooke	2374	(9.36%)	
FAZAKERLEY, Jo	1767	(6.97%)	
SMITH, Daniel	1971	(7.77%)	
HENLEY, Grant	3131	(12.35%)	21 October 2017
KAIGG, Valerie	2388	(9.42%)	
RUMENOS, Christopher	1718	(6.78%)	
BLEECHMORE, Gordon Clive	2545	(10.04%)	21 October 2017
BALLARD, Malcolm	1693	(6.68%)	
AVERY, J.	1671	(6.59%)	
BEST, Terry	2662	(10.50%)	21 October 2017
BENNETT, Rob	2635	(10.39%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	25353		
Informal	29	(0.11%)	
Total Votes Received	25382		

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TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE

COAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
TIMMERMANIS, Andres	605	(13.03%)	21 October 2017 21 October 2017
MACK, Gary	570	(12.28%)	
SCOTT, Deanne T	631	(13.59%)	
SINCLAIR, Kyle	433	(9.33%)	
PELCZAR, Otto	583	(12.56%)	
O'CONNOR, Pauline	1113	(23.98%)	
GRINCERI, Sonia	707	(15.23%)	
Total Valid Votes	4642		
Informal	13	(0.28%)	
Total Votes Received	4655		

WEMBLEY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
KOTOVSKI, Alex	457	(11.23%)	21 October 2017 21 October 2017
CASEY, Alaine	640	(15.73%)	
MACRAE, Corinne	1254	(30.83%)	
KING, Tracey	972	(23.89%)	
JONES, Ross	745	(18.31%)	
Total Valid Votes	4068		
Informal	12	(0.29%)	
Total Votes Received	4080		

SHIRE OF CAPEL

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BAXI, Sid	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
MCCLEERY, Peter	Elected	Unopposed	17 October 2015
NORTON, Greg	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
SCOTT, Murray	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
SMITH, Brian	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

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SHIRE OF CARNARVON

CORAL BAY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
EVESON, Stanley	18	(29.03%)	
SIMPSON, Kane	44	(70.97%)	
Total Valid Votes	62		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	62		

GASCOYNE/MINILYA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
FULLARTON, Alexander	35	(64.81%)	
D'ARCY, Sean	19	(35.19%)	
Total Valid Votes	54		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	54		

PLANTATION

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
DURMANICH, Denis	Elected	Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

TOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017 21 October 2017
ASHCROFT, Robert	164	(10.98%)	
PAGGI, Lino	277	(18.55%)	
GANZER, Neil	402	(26.93%)	
MARCH, Max	650	(43.54%)	
Total Valid Votes	1493		
Informal	4	(0.27%)	
Total Votes Received	1497		

SHIRE OF CHAPMAN VALLEY

NORTH EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PHILIPPA, Nick	114	(26.51%)	21 October 2017
COLLINGWOOD, John	151	(35.12%)	
WARR, Kirrilee	165	(38.37%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	430		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	430		

SOUTH WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
WOOD, Veronica	86	(36.60%)	21 October 2017
MALUISH, Ian	83	(35.32%)	21 October 2017
BELL, Anne	66	(28.09%)	
Total Valid Votes	235		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	235		

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SHIRE OF CHITTERING

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
VAN BLITTERSWYK, Kerrie	445	(17.41%)	21 October 2017
HAWES, Robert	702	(27.46%)	
GIBSON, Donald	774	(30.28%)	
NORTON, Barni	635	(24.84%)	
Total Valid Votes	2556		21 October 2017
Informal	6	(0.23%)	
Total Votes Received	2562		

TOWN OF CLAREMONT

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BARKER, Jock			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
HAYNES, Bruce			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
GOETZE, Jill			21 October 2017
KELLY, Paul			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
WOOD, Karen	356	(56.15%)	21 October 2017
BRUNO, Renato	278	(43.85%)	
Total Valid Votes	634		
Informal	6	(0.94%)	
Total Votes Received	640		

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CITY OF COCKBURN

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ALLEN, Kevin	5072	(36.04%)	21 October 2017
REEVE-FOWKES, Carol	2386	(16.96%)	
HOWLETT, Logan K	6614	(47.00%)	
Total Valid Votes	14072		
Informal	90	(0.64%)	
Total Votes Received	14162		

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
GRIBBLE, Nicholas	656	(8.63%)	21 October 2017
SLANY, Mariyon	1262	(16.61%)	
SEPAROVICH, Michael	1531	(20.14%)	
HOUWEN, Bart	2419	(31.83%)	
EVA, Philip	1732	(22.79%)	
Total Valid Votes	7600		21 October 2017
Informal	20	(0.26%)	
Total Votes Received	7620		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
SMITH, Lee-Anne	2888	(63.47%)	21 October 2017
SADLIER, Kim	1147	(25.21%)	
SUFI, Sherry	515	(11.32%)	
Total Valid Votes	4550		
Informal	24	(0.52%)	
Total Votes Received	4574		

WEST		
Candidate	Votes	
ALLEN, Kevin	2886	(35.15%)
BLACKNEY, Virginia	1689	(20.57%)
ROMANO, Tony	1657	(20.18%)
WETTON, Lyndsey	1979	(24.10%)
Total Valid Votes	8211	
Informal	20	(0.24%)
Total Votes Received	8231	
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017

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SHIRE OF COLLIE

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
GREEN, Nola	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
MARTIN, Neil	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
PIAVANINI, John	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
SANFORD, Wayne	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
STANLEY, Sarah	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF COOROW

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
SIMS, Guy	324	(16.68%)	21 October 2017
SKIPPINGS, Peter	276	(14.21%)	
CULLEN, Emma	372	(19.16%)	21 October 2017
CLEMENT, Lance	290	(14.93%)	17 October 2015
JACK, Bruce	381	(19.62%)	21 October 2017
CLEMENT, Robert	299	(15.40%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	1942		
Informal	3	(0.15%)	
Total Votes Received	1945		

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TOWN OF COTTESLOE

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
DAWKINS, Jo			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
DOWNES, Katrina			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BIRNBRAUER, Jay			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
ANGERS, Philip	228	(52.17%)	21 October 2017
BOLAND, Greg	209	(47.83%)	
Total Valid Votes	437		
Informal	3	(0.68%)	
Total Votes Received	440		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BURKE, Helen			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF CUE

DISTRICT		
Candidate	Votes	
PIGDON, Pixie	27	(28.72%)
TEGG, Peter	23	(24.47%)
FITZPATRICK, Leonie	15	(15.96%)
DENNIS, Ian	29	(30.85%)
Total Valid Votes	94	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	94	
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017

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SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
LOVELAND, Ken	472	(11.36%)	21 October 2017
SLYNS, Darren	541	(13.02%)	
RUSSELL, Mickey	420	(10.11%)	
NELSON, Jonathan	456	(10.98%)	
SHORT, Lawrie	515	(12.40%)	17 October 2015
SHEPPARD, Mike	577	(13.89%)	21 October 2017
KULISA, Judy	599	(14.42%)	21 October 2017
BAILEY, Tim	574	(13.82%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	4154		
Informal	5	(0.12%)	
Total Votes Received	4159		

SHIRE OF DARDANUP

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
WEBSTER, Annette	1189	(9.48%)	21 October 2017
BENNETT, Mick	1693	(13.50%)	
BOYCE, Carmel	1435	(11.45%)	21 October 2017
GARDINER, Tyrrell	1528	(12.19%)	21 October 2017
MURFIT, Betty	1369	(10.92%)	17 October 2015
DAVIES, Luke	1517	(12.10%)	21 October 2017
PAPALIA, Frank	1390	(11.09%)	17 October 2015
GREATHEAD, Dudley	1002	(7.99%)	21 October 2017
MOUNTFORD, Allen	1414	(11.28%)	
Total Valid Votes	12537		
Informal	10	(0.08%)	
Total Votes Received	12547		

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SHIRE OF DENMARK

KENT/NORNALUP

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
	SEENEY, Roger		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SCOTSDALE/SHADFORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017 21 October 2017
	Elected	Unopposed	
	PEDRO, Dawn		
	SAMPSON, John		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

TOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
	HINDS, Adrian	305 (43.70%)	
	MORRELL, David	393 (56.30%)	
	Total Valid Votes	698	
Informal	2	(0.29%)	
Total Votes Received	700		

SHIRE OF DONNYBROOK-BALLINGUP

DISTRICT		
Candidate	Votes	
IP, Janey	729	(10.62%)
BAILEY, John	820	(11.94%)
RIDGWAY, John	716	(10.43%)
MITCHELL, Anne	822	(11.97%)
CROWLEY, Leith	786	(11.45%)
DILLEY, Steve	1034	(15.06%)
NIDD, Gwendoline	499	(7.27%)
JOHNSON, Stephen	417	(6.07%)
LOGIUDICE, Angelo	1043	(15.19%)
Total Valid Votes	6866	
Informal	4	(0.06%)
Total Votes Received	6870	
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017

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SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
KIERNAN, Annmarie	21	(40.38%)	21 October 2017
HATWELL, Dean	31	(59.62%)	
Total Valid Votes	52		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	52		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
DANKS, Kevin			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

LOWER CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
SCHILL, Bridget Rose			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
COPPIN, Lang			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SOUTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ALCHIN, Mark David	145	(9.90%)	21 October 2017
AHMEDI, Jeton	262	(17.88%)	
CARTER, Shane	326	(22.25%)	
GRACE, Anita	438	(29.90%)	
STEAD, Doug	294	(20.07%)	
Total Valid Votes	1465		
Informal	2	(0.14%)	
Total Votes Received	1467		

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SHIRE OF ESPERANCE

RURAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
	PARKER, Basil		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

TOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
STEWART, Beverley	1221	(18.67%)	21 October 2017
WROTH, Barry	886	(13.55%)	
HALL, Kevin	1220	(18.65%)	21 October 2017
HORAN, Rob	1117	(17.08%)	17 October 2015
HARVEY, Wazza	941	(14.39%)	
GRIFFITHS, Paul	1155	(17.66%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	6540		
Informal	2	(0.03%)	
Total Votes Received	6542		

SHIRE OF EXMOUTH

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
SHALES, Turk	443	(18.61%)	21 October 2017
TODD, Robert	433	(18.19%)	21 October 2017
WINZER, Ross	428	(17.98%)	21 October 2017
BROOKS, Jackie	369	(15.50%)	17 October 2015
BAYNE, Kevin	306	(12.85%)	
MCHUTCHISON, Suzanne	402	(16.88%)	
Total Valid Votes	2381		
Informal	3	(0.13%)	
Total Votes Received	2384		

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CITY OF FREMANTLE

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
HANSSEN, Matthew	2253	(29.59%)	
PETTITT, Brad	5361	(70.41%)	
Total Valid Votes	7614		
Informal	30	(0.39%)	
Total Votes Received	7644		

BEACONSFIELD

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
WILSON, Josh	Elected	Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CITY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
WOODCOCK, Mark	201	(16.63%)	
COOK, Steve	228	(18.86%)	
NABER, Simon	615	(50.87%)	
MILLER, Rohan	165	(13.65%)	
Total Valid Votes	1209		
Informal	12	(0.98%)	
Total Votes Received	1221		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
COGGIN, Dave	Elected	Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

HILTON		
Candidate	Votes	
ACOCCELLA, Frank	430	(41.67%)
WAINWRIGHT, Sam	602	(58.33%)
Total Valid Votes	1032	
Informal	7	(0.67%)
Total Votes Received	1039	
		21 October 2017

NORTH		
Candidate	Votes	
THOMPSON, Douglas	832	(67.10%)
HANSSEN, Matthew	408	(32.90%)
Total Valid Votes	1240	
Informal	4	(0.32%)
Total Votes Received	1244	
		21 October 2017

SOUTH		
Candidate	Votes	
GREEN, Claudia	521	(36.79%)
SULLIVAN, Andrew	895	(63.21%)
Total Valid Votes	1416	
Informal	6	(0.42%)
Total Votes Received	1422	
		21 October 2017

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SHIRE OF GINGIN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ASPINALL, Michael	715	(13.76%)	21 October 2017
BEALE, Reginald	550	(10.58%)	
BENARI, Max	343	(6.60%)	
FAULKNER, Frank	430	(8.27%)	
AMMON, Val	726	(13.97%)	21 October 2017
ROE, David	960	(18.47%)	21 October 2017
SMILES, Sandra	803	(15.45%)	21 October 2017
RULE, Glenn	671	(12.91%)	
Total Valid Votes	5198		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	5198		

SHIRE OF GNOWANGERUP

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HMELJAK, Frank	241	(12.04%)	21 October 2017
DEERING, Lester	226	(11.29%)	
MARTIN, Lex	234	(11.69%)	17 October 2015
HOUSE, Richard	344	(17.18%)	21 October 2017
HOUSE, Keith	308	(15.38%)	21 October 2017
GAZE, Bronwyn	335	(16.73%)	21 October 2017
LANCE, Sue	314	(15.68%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	2002		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	2002		

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CITY OF GOSNELLS

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
NEWMAN, Daniel	3394	(4.47%)	21 October 2017
GOODE, David	5520	(7.27%)	
DREW, Roger	1099	(1.45%)	
BROWN, Julie	6084	(8.01%)	21 October 2017
SCOTT, George	4993	(6.58%)	21 October 2017
IWANYK, Susan	3097	(4.08%)	21 October 2017
SEARLE, Olwen	4525	(5.96%)	
JONES, Karen Jayne	3739	(4.93%)	
YANG, Pierre	5358	(7.06%)	21 October 2017
YOUSSEF, Sam	2102	(2.77%)	17 October 2015
WIFFEN, Bill	2706	(3.56%)	
HOFFMAN, Ron	3800	(5.01%)	
PANICI-ALLEN, Ken	1938	(2.55%)	21 October 2017
TASSONE, Charlie	1686	(2.22%)	
CROFT, Rod	1606	(2.12%)	
MCGINTY, Hazel	2009	(2.65%)	21 October 2017
FERNANDEZ, Chris	3202	(4.22%)	
TOMIC, Glenis	1804	(2.38%)	
BARAILOLO, Sandy	2068	(2.72%)	21 October 2017
KERSHAW, Susan	2522	(3.32%)	
MALHOTRA, Kunal	1971	(2.60%)	
GRIFFITHS, Peter	4333	(5.71%)	21 October 2017
BROWN, Terry	2671	(3.52%)	
JOSLIN, Sue	2212	(2.91%)	
KEITH, Cynthia	1476	(1.94%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	75915		
Informal	128	(0.17%)	
Total Votes Received	76043		

CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON

CHAMPION BAY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DOUGLAS, Steve	576	(66.51%)	21 October 2017
RAMAGE, Robert	290	(33.49%)	
Total Valid Votes	866		
Informal	8	(0.92%)	
Total Votes Received	874		

CHAPMAN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ASHPLANT, Ron	383	(38.57%)	21 October 2017
CAUDWELL, David J	610	(61.43%)	
Total Valid Votes	993		
Informal	4	(0.40%)	
Total Votes Received	997		

HILLS

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
REYMOND, Michael	266	(17.75%)	21 October 2017
BRADFIELD, Ron	258	(17.21%)	
GRAHAM, Laurie	523	(34.89%)	
WARD, Jon	452	(30.15%)	
Total Valid Votes	1499		
Informal	4	(0.27%)	
Total Votes Received	1503		

MULLEWA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MESSINA, Nino	33	(13.47%)	21 October 2017
CRITCH, Jennifer	212	(86.53%)	
Total Valid Votes	245		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	245		

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PORT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
	BENNETT, Neil	320 (28.34%)	
	TANTI, Victor	446 (39.50%)	
	SMITH, Malcolm	363 (32.15%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1129	
	Informal	4 (0.35%)	
	Total Votes Received	1133	

TARCOOLA			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
	VAN STYN, Shane	965 (60.69%)	
	O'TOOLE, Terry	625 (39.31%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1590	
	Informal	4 (0.25%)	
	Total Votes Received	1594	

WILLCOCK			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
	GABELISH, Chris	280 (33.29%)	
	KEEMINK, Simon	561 (66.71%)	
	Total Valid Votes	841	
	Informal	4 (0.47%)	
	Total Votes Received	845	

SHIRE OF HARVEY

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ADAMS, Bill	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
CAMPBELL, Greg	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
GIANCONO, Phil	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
SABOURNE, John	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
SIMPSON, Derrick	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
WOOD, Kevin	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

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SHIRE OF IRWIN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
KENNEDY, David	625	(17.74%)	21 October 2017
SCOTT, Bronwen	729	(20.69%)	21 October 2017
ROSSITER, John Leslie	261	(7.41%)	
LEONARD, Mark	682	(19.36%)	21 October 2017
WEST, Ian	647	(18.37%)	21 October 2017
MCCLURG, Robert	579	(16.43%)	
Total Valid Votes	3523		
Informal	3	(0.09%)	
Total Votes Received	3526		

SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP

DISTRICT

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BAILEY, William	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
IFFLA, Joanne	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

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CITY OF JOONDALUP

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PICKARD, Troy	12598	(56.90%)	21 October 2017
RITCHIE, Teresa	9542	(43.10%)	
Total Valid Votes	22140		
Informal	70	(0.32%)	
Total Votes Received	22210		

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PERRY, John	136	(4.15%)	21 October 2017
POLIWKA, Russell	799	(24.36%)	
GOBBERT, Liam	1368	(41.71%)	
MAGYAR, Steve	373	(11.37%)	
ROWLANDS, Peter	604	(18.41%)	
Total Valid Votes	3280		
Informal	14	(0.43%)	
Total Votes Received	3294		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HANNAIRE, Jean-Francois	520	(12.06%)	21 October 2017
TOULALAN, Andrew James	906	(21.01%)	
HOLLYWOOD, Kerry	2886	(66.93%)	
Total Valid Votes	4312		
Informal	13	(0.30%)	
Total Votes Received	4325		

NORTH-CENTRAL			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
AZARIAN, Mehdi	340	(9.08%)	
TAYLOR, Philippa	2057	(54.96%)	
RASMUSSEN, Victoria	931	(24.87%)	
POLE, Stephen	415	(11.09%)	
Total Valid Votes	3743		
Informal	23	(0.61%)	
Total Votes Received	3766		

SOUTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
KINKELA, Maria	443	(12.62%)	
FISHWICK, Russ	3067	(87.38%)	
Total Valid Votes	3510		
Informal	12	(0.34%)	
Total Votes Received	3522		

SOUTH-EAST			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
CHESTER, John	2288	(63.98%)	
GIBSON, Yadi	890	(24.89%)	
BENSON-LIDHOLM, Jen	398	(11.13%)	
Total Valid Votes	3576		
Informal	14	(0.39%)	
Total Votes Received	3590		

SOUTH-WEST			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
HADDOW, Clive	708	(18.67%)	
LEADBITTER, Nigel	523	(13.79%)	
BYASS, Adam	295	(7.78%)	
HAMILTON-PRIME, Christine	1808	(47.68%)	
GALATIS, Lisa	458	(12.08%)	
Total Valid Votes	3792		
Informal	17	(0.45%)	
Total Votes Received	3809		

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SHIRE OF KALAMUNDA

NORTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DI ROSSO, Simon	1734	(32.19%)	21 October 2017
BILICH, Sue	1622	(30.11%)	21 October 2017
ELLISON, Mark	571	(10.60%)	
BENTLEY, Robert	944	(17.52%)	
MELVILLE, Douglas	288	(5.35%)	
LOOHUYS, Henk	228	(4.23%)	
Total Valid Votes	5387		
Informal	5	(0.09%)	
Total Votes Received	5392		

NORTH WEST			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HARRAP, Lisa	857	(19.38%)	
O'CONNOR, Dylan	1569	(35.47%)	21 October 2017
MCPHEE, Grant	316	(7.14%)	
WADDELL, Andrew	1250	(28.26%)	21 October 2017
WHITTAKER, Jason	431	(9.74%)	
Total Valid Votes	4423		
Informal	4	(0.09%)	
Total Votes Received	4427		

SOUTH EAST			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ELEONORA, Melanie	502	(17.44%)	
STALLARD, Geoffrey	1774	(61.62%)	21 October 2017
BRADLEY, Shane	603	(20.94%)	
Total Valid Votes	2879		
Informal	8	(0.28%)	
Total Votes Received	2887		

SOUTH WEST		
Candidate	Votes	
PORTER, Tim	762	(33.73%)
ABDALLAH, Fadwa	432	(19.12%)
MUNRO, Christopher	221	(9.78%)
TOWNSEND, Noreen	844	(37.36%)
Total Valid Votes	2259	
Informal	11	(0.48%)
Total Votes Received	2270	
		21 October 2017

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CITY OF KALGOORLIE-BOULDER

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BRAVEN, John	1196	(4.60%)	21 October 2017
PENDAL, Allan	2468	(9.49%)	
GREEN, Don	1107	(4.26%)	
BROWN, Gary	2086	(8.02%)	21 October 2017
BANNER, Tony	1322	(5.09%)	
SMITH, Charles	1570	(6.04%)	
WILLIAMS, Suzie	2007	(7.72%)	17 October 2015
BOTICA, Deborah	2115	(8.14%)	21 October 2017
PETZ, Anne	1926	(7.41%)	21 October 2017
O'DONNELL, Kyran	2892	(11.12%)	
WELLS, Jason	1660	(6.39%)	
CRUSE, Amanda	2052	(7.89%)	21 October 2017
AYERS, Laurie	2328	(8.95%)	21 October 2017
MOLLER, Byron	1268	(4.88%)	
Total Valid Votes	25997		
Informal	22	(0.08%)	
Total Votes Received	26019		

SHIRE OF KATANNING

DISTRICT		
Candidate	Votes	
SUTHERLAND, Ken	357	(6.35%)
MYDIE, Alep	769	(13.67%)
REES, David	547	(9.72%)
MCKINLEY, Craig	875	(15.56%)
BOXALL, Owen	788	(14.01%)
VAN KOLDENHOVEN, Martin	508	(9.03%)
KOWALD, Richard Irvine	645	(11.47%)
BALINSKI, Lesley	420	(7.47%)
MCGRATH, Danny	716	(12.73%)
Total Valid Votes	5625	
Informal	4	(0.07%)
Total Votes Received	5629	
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017
		21 October 2017

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SHIRE OF KENT

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BROWNE, Gordon	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
STEPHENS, Mark	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
TUFFLEY, Megan	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CITY OF KWINANA

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
LEE, Sandra	1810	(12.80%)	21 October 2017
TWIGHT, Steve	1537	(10.87%)	
JORGENSEN, Asti	1529	(10.82%)	
LYNN, Jason	1237	(8.75%)	
THOMPSON, Bob	1669	(11.81%)	21 October 2017
ADAMS, Carol	3163	(22.38%)	21 October 2017
STEEGSTRA, Wayne	1447	(10.24%)	
ALEXANDER, Ruth	1744	(12.34%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	14136		
Informal	15	(0.11%)	
Total Votes Received	14151		

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SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE

LAKE GRACE			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HUNT, Steve	Elected	Unopposed	15 October 2015
STANTON, Murray	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
WALKER, Andrew	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

NEWDEGATE			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ARMSTRONG, Len	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

RURAL			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MARSHALL, Allan	223	(13.59%)	17 October 2015
NEWMAN, Wally	173	(10.54%)	
CLARKE, Debrah	225	(13.71%)	17 October 2015
CHAMBERLAIN, Ian	150	(9.14%)	
DE LANDGRAFFT, Jeanette	237	(14.44%)	21 October 2017
CHAPPELL, Ross	236	(14.38%)	21 October 2017
WADDELL, Beau	180	(10.97%)	
SINCLAIR, Dean	217	(13.22%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	1641		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	1641		

CITY OF MANDURAH

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
SCHUMACHER, Dave	3516	(22.32%)	21 October 2017
VERGONE, Marina	3642	(23.12%)	
FITZPATRICK, Paul	1289	(8.18%)	
HUGHES, John	1304	(8.28%)	
WALLEY, George	901	(5.72%)	
JACKSON, Peter	1464	(9.29%)	
WILLIAMS, Rhys	3640	(23.10%)	
Total Valid Votes	15756		
Informal	184	(1.15%)	
Total Votes Received	15940		

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ROGERS, Peter	1461	(34.81%)	21 October 2017
AXFORD, Rohan	489	(11.65%)	
ANNING, Phil	778	(18.54%)	
LAWSON, Shannon	1469	(35.00%)	
Total Valid Votes	4197		
Informal	24	(0.57%)	
Total Votes Received	4221		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
RODGERS, Lynn	1999	(34.61%)	21 October 2017
LEE, Darren	2365	(40.95%)	21 October 2017
TOWILL, Glenn	1412	(24.45%)	
Total Valid Votes	5776		
Informal	14	(0.24%)	
Total Votes Received	5790		

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NORTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
NEWPORT, Kathleen	526	(14.22%)	21 October 2017
JACKSON, Peter	1259	(34.03%)	
BURDETT, Robert	574	(15.51%)	
WATSON, Neil	457	(12.35%)	
GAIR, Sian	884	(23.89%)	
Total Valid Votes	3700		
Informal	16	(0.43%)	
Total Votes Received	3716		

TOWN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
THOMPSON, Peter	353	(5.11%)	21 October 2017 21 October 2017
SCHUMACHER, Dave	1968	(28.51%)	
FIELD, Jane	1286	(18.63%)	
HUGHES, John	727	(10.53%)	
DARCH, Peter	695	(10.07%)	
ROWLANDS, Lynne	1112	(16.11%)	
FITZPATRICK, Paul	762	(11.04%)	
Total Valid Votes	6903		
Informal	7	(0.10%)	
Total Votes Received	6910		

CITY OF MELVILLE

APPLECROSS-MOUNT PLEASANT

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
WILLIAMS, Neil	311	(11.07%)	
POLLARD, Andrew	426	(15.17%)	
SCHUSTER, Cameron	1271	(45.25%)	
STOKES, Tony	348	(12.39%)	
JEFFRIES, David	453	(16.13%)	
Total Valid Votes	2809		
Informal	10	(0.35%)	
Total Votes Received	2819		

BICTON-ATTADALE

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
BARTON, June	1957	(65.83%)	
WIELAND, Guy	1016	(34.17%)	
Total Valid Votes	2973		
Informal	13	(0.44%)	
Total Votes Received	2986		

BULLCREEK-LEEMING

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
GOEL, Netra	572	(16.10%)	
HUNTER, Alan Maverick	493	(13.88%)	
ROBARTSON, Clive	2487	(70.02%)	
Total Valid Votes	3552		
Informal	17	(0.48%)	
Total Votes Received	3569		

CITY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
AUBREY, Rebecca	1734	(54.41%)	
NICHOLSON, Effie	1453	(45.59%)	
Total Valid Votes	3187		
Informal	15	(0.47%)	
Total Votes Received	3202		

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PALMYRA-MELVILLE-WILLAGEE			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
PHELAN, Patricia	1097	(37.44%)	
MARTIN, Leigh	220	(7.51%)	
O'MALLEY, Lisa	1002	(34.20%)	
SHEEHY, Bill	611	(20.85%)	
Total Valid Votes	2930		
Informal	31	(1.05%)	
Total Votes Received	2961		

UNIVERSITY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
GUY, Ralph	769	(22.75%)	
FOXTON, Nicole	1686	(49.88%)	
GRIFFITHS, Leon	925	(27.37%)	
Total Valid Votes	3380		
Informal	34	(1.00%)	
Total Votes Received	3414		

SHIRE OF MENZIES

RURAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
GRAHAM, Justin			21 October 2017
TUCKER, Ian			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

TOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
MAZZA, Jamie	32	(26.89%)	21 October 2017
DWYER, Jill	32	(26.89%)	
PURCHASE, Keith	17	(14.29%)	
LEE, Justin	38	(31.93%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	119		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	119		

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SHIRE OF MERREDIN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
	Elected	Unopposed	
	Elected	Unopposed	
	Elected	Unopposed	
	Total Valid Votes		
	0		
	Informal	0	
Total Votes Received		0	

SHIRE OF MOORA

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	CLYDESDALE-GEBERT, Denise	Elected Unopposed	
	GARDINER, Colin	Elected Unopposed	
	HOLLIDAY, Marcus	Elected Unopposed	
	POND, Merrel	Elected Unopposed	
	SEYMOUR, Ken	Elected Unopposed	
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0	

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TOWN OF MOSMAN PARK

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
NORRIS, Ron	970	(51.43%)	21 October 2017
POLLOCK, Brett	916	(48.57%)	
Total Valid Votes	1886		
Informal	8	(0.42%)	
Total Votes Received	1894		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
EDWARDS, Phil	194	(20.19%)	21 October 2017
ARMSTRONG, Russell	185	(19.25%)	
FLACK, Ian	480	(49.95%)	
GRINBERGS, Alistair	102	(10.61%)	
Total Valid Votes	961		
Informal	6	(0.62%)	
Total Votes Received	967		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DODD, Jamie	346	(21.32%)	21 October 2017
AVON-SMITH, Louise	465	(28.65%)	
DAVIES, Wesley	428	(26.37%)	
HARCOMBE, Maureen	384	(23.66%)	
Total Valid Votes	1623		
Informal	2	(0.12%)	21 October 2017
Total Votes Received	1625		

SHIRE OF MUNDARING

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PERKS, Bob	950	(52.87%)	21 October 2017
SMITH, Eric	847	(47.13%)	
Total Valid Votes	1797		
Informal	5	(0.28%)	
Total Votes Received	1802		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BERTOLA, Patrick			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
COOK, Trish	779	(28.29%)	21 October 2017
LAVELL, David	855	(31.05%)	21 October 2017
ZAGABRIA, Sandra	613	(22.26%)	
MARJANOVIC, Eva	507	(18.41%)	
Total Valid Votes	2754		
Informal	3	(0.11%)	
Total Votes Received	2757		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
CLARK, Pauline Agnes			21 October 2017
CUCCARO, Tony			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

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SHIRE OF MURRAY

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BLACK, Alan	1668	(12.74%)	21 October 2017
BRIGGS, Patricia	1466	(11.20%)	21 October 2017
AYRES, Ray	870	(6.64%)	
BARRETT, Wally	1917	(14.64%)	21 October 2017
BRYCE, Stephen	527	(4.03%)	
BESSANT, Morris	1084	(8.28%)	
REID, Maree	1651	(12.61%)	21 October 2017
LEE, Steve	1182	(9.03%)	17 October 2015
THOMPSON, Chris	1253	(9.57%)	21 October 2017
JAMES, Carmel	892	(6.81%)	
HANKINSON, Brad	583	(4.45%)	
Total Valid Votes	13093		
Informal	15	(0.11%)	
Total Votes Received	13108		

CITY OF NEDLANDS

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HORLEY, Nikola	782	(39.08%)	21 October 2017
WILLESEE, Winton	291	(14.54%)	
TAYLOR, Laurie	350	(17.49%)	
SMYTH, Kerry	578	(28.89%)	
Total Valid Votes	2001		
Informal	8	(0.40%)	21 October 2017
Total Votes Received	2009		

DALKEITH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HASSELL, Bill	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

HOLLYWOOD

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BINKS, Robert	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
HODSDON, Ben	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

MELVISTA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HAY, Gordon	671	(71.38%)	21 October 2017
GILL, Jenny	269	(28.62%)	
Total Valid Votes	940		
Informal	7	(0.74%)	
Total Votes Received	947		

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SHIRE OF NORTHAM

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
GREENOUGH, Cheryl	35	(8.47%)	
SEAGRIM, Janette	145	(35.11%)	
RUMJANTSEV, Ulo	233	(56.42%)	
Total Valid Votes	413		
Informal	2	(0.48%)	
Total Votes Received	415		

TOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017 21 October 2017 21 October 2017
MALINOWSKI, Stan	457	(12.10%)	
BERESFORD, Denis	707	(18.72%)	
PROUD, John	607	(16.07%)	
POLLARD, Steven Bruce	944	(24.99%)	
HUGHES, Des	657	(17.39%)	
ERVIN, Earnest	405	(10.72%)	
Total Valid Votes	3777		
Informal	11	(0.29%)	
Total Votes Received	3788		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
LITTLE, Terry	Elected	Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF PEPPERMINT GROVE

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PETERS, Greg	317	(17.03%)	21 October 2017
RUSSELL, Sue	172	(9.24%)	
HOHNEN, Charles	302	(16.23%)	21 October 2017
BREDEN, Robert	223	(11.98%)	
FLEAY, Scott Francis	260	(13.97%)	21 October 2017
FARLEY, Karen	332	(17.84%)	21 October 2017
KAVANAGH, Brian	255	(13.70%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	1861		
Informal	4	(0.21%)	
Total Votes Received	1865		

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CITY OF PERTH

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MCEVOY, Judy	1632	(16.19%)	21 October 2017
YONG, Keith	1278	(12.68%)	21 October 2017
CLARKE, Mathew	1224	(12.14%)	
CAMPBELL, Bruce	519	(5.15%)	
KLIMEK, Richard	1219	(12.09%)	
LIMNIOS, James	1453	(14.42%)	21 October 2017
RODGERS, Lyndon	972	(9.64%)	
HARLEY, Reece	1782	(17.68%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	10079		
Informal	20	(0.20%)	
Total Votes Received	10099		

SHIRE OF PLANTAGANET

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BARROW, Lisa	619	(11.24%)	21 October 2017
OLDFIELD, Jon	1076	(19.54%)	
MOIR, Jeff	923	(16.76%)	
ETHERINGTON, Sue	927	(16.83%)	
BELL, Brett	954	(17.32%)	
HANDASYDE, Len	1009	(18.32%)	
Total Valid Votes	5508		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	21 October 2017
Total Votes Received	5508		

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TOWN OF PORT HEDLAND

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DZIOMBAK, Bill	671	(35.13%)	21 October 2017
HOWLETT, Kelly	755	(39.53%)	
DACCACHE, George	201	(10.52%)	
BUTSON, Lorraine	283	(14.82%)	
Total Valid Votes	1910		
Informal	16	(0.83%)	
Total Votes Received	1926		

PORT HEDLAND

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CARTER, Arnold	967	(14.43%)	21 October 2017
HOOPER, David	1190	(17.76%)	
GILLINGHAM, Jan	1277	(19.05%)	21 October 2017
BUTSON, Lorraine	1187	(17.71%)	21 October 2017
MELVILLE, Troy	1074	(16.03%)	21 October 2017
VAN VUGT, David	1007	(15.03%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	6702		
Informal	11	(0.16%)	
Total Votes Received	6713		

SHIRE OF RAVENSTHORPE

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
KELTON, Angela	393	(26.20%)	21 October 2017
NORMAN, Ken	343	(22.87%)	21 October 2017
GAIREN, Sharyn	365	(24.33%)	21 October 2017
LANSDOWN, Donald	230	(15.33%)	
DE HAAS, Leonie	169	(11.27%)	
Total Valid Votes	1500		
Informal	1	(0.07%)	
Total Votes Received	1501		

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CITY OF ROCKINGHAM

BALDIVIS

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
STEELE-JOHN, Jordon	617	(13.69%)	21 October 2017 17 October 2015
DUNKLING, Lorraine	348	(7.72%)	
FOOTT, Mark	160	(3.55%)	
PETCHELL, Ross	698	(15.48%)	
GLOVER, Timothy	514	(11.40%)	
WHITFIELD, Matthew	1156	(25.64%)	
SMITH, Richard	1015	(22.52%)	
Total Valid Votes	4508		
Informal	11	(0.24%)	
Total Votes Received	4519		

COMET BAY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
LAWRENCE, Craig	379	(11.92%)	21 October 2017
BURNS, Andrew	617	(19.40%)	
SMITH, Justin	1260	(39.62%)	
BENNETT, Guy	924	(29.06%)	
Total Valid Votes	3180		
Informal	14	(0.44%)	
Total Votes Received	3194		

ROCKINGHAM

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
SAMMELS, Barry	1961	(36.43%)	21 October 2017
HARRIS, Leo	787	(14.62%)	
SUMMERS, Katherine	1097	(20.38%)	
CAMERON, Rosalie	941	(17.48%)	
RAMSHAW, Susan	597	(11.09%)	
Total Valid Votes	5383		
Informal	69	(1.27%)	
Total Votes Received	5452		

SAFETY BAY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HAMBLIN, Deborah	2550	(49.81%)	21 October 2017
WELLS, Claudia	504	(9.85%)	
BUCHANAN, Craig	2065	(40.34%)	
Total Valid Votes	5119		
Informal	37	(0.72%)	
Total Votes Received	5156		

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SHIRE OF ROEBOURNE

DAMPIER

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
KICKETT, Nerida	128	(60.38%)	21 October 2017
BEAUMONT, Brad	84	(39.62%)	
Total Valid Votes	212		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	212		

KARRATHA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HIPWORTH, David	813	(14.37%)	17 October 2015
JOHNSTON, Brian	511	(9.03%)	
POPE, Julie	567	(10.02%)	
SIMPSON, Shirley	312	(5.52%)	
SMEATHERS, Evette	1052	(18.60%)	21 October 2017
VANDENBERG, Robin	825	(14.59%)	21 October 2017
PRITCHARD, Joanne	710	(12.55%)	21 October 2017
HARRIS, Geoff	866	(15.31%)	
Total Valid Votes	5656		
Informal	14	(0.25%)	
Total Votes Received	5670		

WICKHAM/POINT SAMSON/COSSACK

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
WHITE-HARTIG, Fiona	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF SERPENTINE-JARRAHDALE

NORTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PIIPPONEN, Luke	321	(11.53%)	
ATWELL, David	441	(15.84%)	21 October 2017
ERREN, John	587	(21.08%)	
ROSSITER, John	486	(17.46%)	17 October 2015
HOYER, Tom	455	(16.34%)	21 October 2017
HAWKINS, Sandra	494	(17.74%)	
Total Valid Votes	2784		
Informal	12	(0.43%)	
Total Votes Received	2796		

NORTH WEST			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ELLIS, Keith	382	(54.34%)	
BYAS, Morgan	321	(45.66%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	703		
Informal	2	(0.28%)	
Total Votes Received	705		

SOUTHERN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
URBAN, Barry	Elected	Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0		21 October 2017
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

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SHIRE OF SHARK BAY

DENHAM

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
	Elected	Unopposed	
	HANSCOMBE, John		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

PASTORAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
	Elected	Unopposed	
	WAKE, Brian		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CITY OF SOUTH PERTH

COMO

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
OZSDOLAY, Les	446	(14.21%)	17 October 2015
LAWRANCE, Veronica	843	(26.86%)	
GLEESON, Bill	688	(21.92%)	
MARTINI, Hermes	241	(7.68%)	21 October 2017
CRIDLAND, Glenn	921	(29.34%)	
Total Valid Votes	3139		
Informal	3	(0.10%)	
Total Votes Received	3142		

MANNING

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CALA, Colin	Elected	Unopposed	17 October 2015
HAWKINS-ZEEB, Sharron	Elected	Unopposed	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

MILL POINT

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
IRONS, Cheryle	1050	(25.26%)	21 October 2017
SKINNER, Betty	592	(14.24%)	17 October 2015
HUSTON, Michael	776	(18.67%)	
HASLEBY, Ian	617	(14.85%)	
BEST, Peter	494	(11.89%)	17 October 2015
HOWAT, Peter	627	(15.09%)	
Total Valid Votes	4156		
Informal	5	(0.12%)	
Total Votes Received	4161		

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MORESBY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
RAMSDEN, Rob	688	(23.07%)	21 October 2017
REID, Fiona	1188	(39.84%)	
TRENT, Kevin	1106	(37.09%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	2982		
Informal	5	(0.17%)	
Total Votes Received	2987		

CITY OF STIRLING

BALGA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BOOTHMAN, David			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
SMITH, Angela	844	(17.90%)	21 October 2017
CONNELLY, Vince	923	(19.58%)	
VIVIANI, Hugo John	643	(13.64%)	
MARTINEZ, Cipriano	337	(7.15%)	
CADDY, Karen	1967	(41.73%)	
Total Valid Votes	4714		
Informal	24	(0.51%)	
Total Votes Received	4738		

DOUBLEVIEW

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
RE, Elizabeth	3376	(63.48%)	21 October 2017
MONKS, Wayne	1942	(36.52%)	
Total Valid Votes	5318		
Informal	29	(0.54%)	
Total Votes Received	5347		

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HAMERSLEY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
MCNAIR, John	106	(2.75%)	
SAMNAKAY, Iqbal	159	(4.13%)	
GUILFOYLE, Andrew	1310	(33.99%)	
JACK, Leisha	615	(15.96%)	
LENNIE, Eddie	393	(10.20%)	
ROSE, Peter	782	(20.29%)	
SEBRECHTS, Ron	489	(12.69%)	
Total Valid Votes	3854		
Informal	24	(0.62%)	
Total Votes Received	3878		

INGLEWOOD			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
TYZACK, Terry	Elected	Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

LAWLEY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
WILLOX, Rodney	2302	(51.34%)	
PETROVSKI, Zlatko	915	(20.41%)	
WILLS, Ray	1267	(28.26%)	
Total Valid Votes	4484		
Informal	25	(0.55%)	
Total Votes Received	4509		

OSBORNE			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
MICHAEL, David	3634	(80.90%)	
SHAH, J P	858	(19.10%)	
Total Valid Votes	4492		
Informal	18	(0.40%)	
Total Votes Received	4510		

CITY OF SUBIACO

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
	HENDERSON, Heather		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
	ARBuckle, Scott		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	550	(37.72%)	
	458	(31.41%)	
	450	(30.86%)	
	1458		
Informal	6	(0.41%)	
Total Votes Received	1464		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	578	(63.03%)	
	156	(17.01%)	
	183	(19.96%)	
	917		
Informal	7	(0.76%)	
Total Votes Received	924		

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SOUTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HEWETT, Lynley	551	(28.36%)	21 October 2017
KESIC, Aleksandra	250	(12.87%)	
HEMSLEY, Lee	600	(30.88%)	21 October 2017
RICHARDSON, Hugh	542	(27.90%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	1943		
Informal	6	(0.31%)	
Total Votes Received	1949		

CITY OF SWAN

ALTONE

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
FARDIG, David			21 October 2017
WAINWRIGHT, Mick			21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

BALLAJURA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
MCNAMARA, John	1988	(63.78%)	21 October 2017
HENDERSON, Rod	856	(27.46%)	
BROWN, Darren	124	(3.98%)	
JAIN, Mukesh	149	(4.78%)	
Total Valid Votes	3117		
Informal	21	(0.67%)	
Total Votes Received	3138		

ELLENBROOK

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
MCDONNELL, David	951	(20.68%)	21 October 2017
WALTERS, Richard	610	(13.26%)	
WILLIAMS, Patty	1537	(33.42%)	21 October 2017
WILLAN, Glenn	332	(7.22%)	
TURNER, Tony	604	(13.13%)	
BUBA, Michael	565	(12.29%)	
Total Valid Votes	4599		
Informal	11	(0.24%)	
Total Votes Received	4610		

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MIDLAND/GUILDFORD			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
PARASILITI, Daniel	1151	(29.77%)	
MARINO, Joe	867	(22.43%)	
LANGLANDS, Peter	838	(21.68%)	
ACOTT, Kent	1010	(26.13%)	
Total Valid Votes	3866		
Informal	34	(0.87%)	
Total Votes Received	3900		

NORTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
BAILEY, Kevin	Elected	Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SWAN VALLEY/GIDGEGANNUP			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 21 October 2017
TREASE, Darryl	Elected	Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	COLLINS, Ross	Elected Unopposed	
	HAMMARQUIST, Don	Elected Unopposed	
	MCKEOUGH, Alys	Elected Unopposed	
	MCTAGGART, Lachlan	Elected Unopposed	
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0	

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TOWN OF VICTORIA PARK

BANKSIA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
SKINNER, Rowena	926	(21.90%)	21 October 2017
WINDRAM, Mark	929	(21.97%)	
HENSHALL, William	569	(13.46%)	
EVANS, Les	667	(15.78%)	21 October 2017
HAYES, Keith	1137	(26.89%)	
Total Valid Votes	4228		
Informal	8	(0.19%)	
Total Votes Received	4236		

JARRAH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
OLIVER, Brian	785	(16.78%)	21 October 2017
BORTHWICK, Fred	236	(5.04%)	21 October 2017
MAXWELL, Vince	759	(16.22%)	
HENDRIKS, Wilfred	376	(8.04%)	
BEAGLEHOLE, Kevin	407	(8.70%)	21 October 2017
BRUCE, Tamara	653	(13.96%)	
ASHTON, David	756	(16.16%)	
GARSWOOD, Luke	706	(15.09%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	4678		
Informal	5	(0.11%)	
Total Votes Received	4683		

CITY OF VINCENT

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CAREY, John	5342	(87.12%)	17 October 2015
MERLACCO, Angelo	790	(12.88%)	
Total Valid Votes	6132		
Informal	52	(0.84%)	
Total Votes Received	6184		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
COLE, Emma	1290	(21.85%)	21 October 2017
JOHNSON, Kirstyn	856	(14.50%)	
FRANCHINA, Basil	561	(9.50%)	
MONISSE, Andrew	627	(10.62%)	
BUCKELS, Matt	1036	(17.55%)	
ROSSI, Mark	884	(14.97%)	
NAISBITT, Rachel	325	(5.50%)	
DUNCAN, Adam	325	(5.50%)	
Total Valid Votes	5904		
Informal	22	(0.37%)	21 October 2017
Total Votes Received	5926		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PEART, James	828	(14.89%)	21 October 2017
MERLACCO, Angelo	403	(7.25%)	
CHRISTIE, Glenn	200	(3.60%)	
MONTAUT, Katrina	907	(16.32%)	
MCDONALD, Laine	1226	(22.05%)	
MOLINA, Vinnie	246	(4.43%)	
TOPELBERG, Josh	1391	(25.02%)	
BRACKENREG, Tony	358	(6.44%)	
Total Valid Votes	5559		
Informal	19	(0.34%)	21 October 2017
Total Votes Received	5578		

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CITY OF WANNEROO

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
NEWTON, Dot	2678	(30.26%)	21 October 2017
GUISE, Dianne	2493	(28.17%)	21 October 2017
MILLER, Martin	1680	(18.98%)	
LANCASTER, Adrian	943	(10.65%)	
SHANKS, Kim	1057	(11.94%)	
Total Valid Votes	8851		
Informal	7	(0.08%)	
Total Votes Received	8858		

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PARKER, Glynis	2190	(23.80%)	21 October 2017
DIGGINS, Mark	912	(9.91%)	
WINTON, Sabine	2632	(28.61%)	21 October 2017
NEWBY-BUTT, Geoff	1392	(15.13%)	
STEFFENS, Rudi	2075	(22.55%)	
Total Valid Votes	9201		
Informal	18	(0.20%)	
Total Votes Received	9219		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
AITKEN, Linda	1524	(55.80%)	21 October 2017
GRAY, Laura	1207	(44.20%)	
Total Valid Votes	2731		
Informal	9	(0.33%)	
Total Votes Received	2740		

SOUTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HUGHES, Judy	2053	(11.90%)	21 October 2017 21 October 2017
ZAPPA, Domenic	2912	(16.87%)	
NGUYEN, Hugh	2719	(15.76%)	
LAM, Long	959	(5.56%)	
PARIKH, Virendra	708	(4.10%)	
McDONALD, Les	825	(4.78%)	
JORDAN, Samuel	1506	(8.73%)	
MACKENZIE, Stuart	1402	(8.12%)	
TIERNEY, Dave	1191	(6.90%)	
MOROZ, Julia	571	(3.31%)	
TREBY, Brett	2412	(13.98%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	17258		
Informal	31	(0.18%)	
Total Votes Received	17289		

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SHIRE OF WAROONA

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	DEW, Noel	Elected Unopposed	
	GERMAIN, Christine	Elected Unopposed	
	SCOTT, Larry Russell	Elected Unopposed	
	WITNEY, Patricia	Elected Unopposed	
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0	

SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
KING, Kevin	249	(21.94%)	21 October 2017
MCAULIFFE, Sean	142	(12.51%)	
HULSE, Rodney	283	(24.93%)	21 October 2017
MANUEL, Neil	249	(21.94%)	21 October 2017
GOSS, Karlene	212	(18.68%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	1135		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	1135		

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SHIRE OF WONGAN-BALLIDU

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
	Elected	Unopposed	
	Elected	Unopposed	
	Elected	Unopposed	
	Total Valid Votes		
	0		
	Informal	0	
Total Votes Received		0	

Appendix 11 – Election Results (Voting In-Person Elections)

SHIRE OF BROOME

BROOME			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MALE, Desiree	1424	(19.55%)	21 October 2017
YU, Eunice	486	(6.67%)	
SIBOSADO, Cherie	777	(10.67%)	
TRACEY, Harold Norman	1462	(20.07%)	21 October 2017
MAHER, Chris	890	(12.22%)	21 October 2017
BLOOM, Jenny	1382	(18.98%)	
WELLS, Robyn	862	(11.84%)	
Total Valid Votes	7283		
Informal	6	(0.08%)	
Total Votes Received	7289		

DAMPIER			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
WILLIAMS, Mena	216	(31.35%)	17 October 2015
FRANCIS, Greg	102	(14.80%)	21 October 2017
MATSUMOTO, Philip	218	(31.64%)	
GARSTONE, Tyronne	153	(22.21%)	
Total Valid Votes	689		
Informal	8	(1.15%)	
Total Votes Received	697		

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SHIRE OF HALLS CREEK

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
LOESSL, Christopher	242	(19.64%)	21 October 2017
O'NEIL, Virginia	274	(22.24%)	21 October 2017
CASSON, Siobhan	144	(11.69%)	
SMITH, Veronica	134	(10.88%)	
MCKAY, Trish	187	(15.18%)	21 October 2017
TAYLOR, Tony	251	(20.37%)	21 October 2017
Total Valid Votes	1232		
Informal	21	(1.68%)	
Total Votes Received	1253		

Appendix 12 – Referendum, Poll and Plebiscite Results

Results of referendums, polls and plebiscites are not binding, but do provide an indication of public opinion for the Council to consider when making decisions on issues.

Town of Mosman Park

A referendum was conducted by the Town of Mosman Park to gauge the level of support for local government reform.

The question was as follows:

1. Do you, as an elector of the Town of Mosman Park, support the State Government's proposal of 30 July 2013 for local government boundary reform for the western suburbs?

Wards	Do you support boundary reform?			Total Votes
	Yes	No	Informal	
NORTH	244	703	5	952
SOUTH	264	649	4	917
Total Votes	508	1352	9	1869

City of Vincent

A plebiscite was conducted for the City of Vincent to gauge the level of support for amalgamation with the City of Perth.

The following two questions were put to the electors of the City of Vincent:

1. Do you agree that the City of Vincent should be abolished?
2. If the City of Vincent is to be abolished, what is your preferred option?

Wards	Abolish Vincent			Total Votes
	Yes	No	Informal	
NORTH	561	2521	86	3168
SOUTH	794	2043	113	2950
Total Votes	1355	4564	199	6118

Wards	Preferred option			Total Votes
	All with Perth	Divided	Informal	
NORTH	2878	194	100	3172
SOUTH	2465	407	74	2946
Total Votes	5343	601	174	6118

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Appendix 13 – Returning Officers In 2013

Local Government	Returning Officer	Local Government	Returning Officer
City of Albany	Andrew Want	Shire of Esperance	Carlene Willoughby
City of Armadale	Jeff Solliss	Shire of Exmouth	Sean Fletcher
Shire of Ashburton	Bronwyn Hambley	City of Fremantle	Jeff Clark
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	Brian Warbey	Shire of Gingin	George Gifford
Town of Bassendean	Andrew Wilson	Shire of Gnowangerup	Coral Green
City of Bayswater	Louis Zampogna	City of Gosnells	Shaun Major
City of Belmont	Mark Dicksbury	City of Greater Geraldton	Michelle Gard
Shire of Boddington	Stephanie Cornish	Shire of Harvey	Reg McIvor
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	Elizabeth Doust	Shire of Irwin	Robert Mark
Shire of Brookton	Ken Head	Shire of Jerramungup	Christine Petersen
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	Elizabeth Schueter	City of Joondalup	Michaela Miller
City of Bunbury	Michael Farren	Shire of Kalamunda	John Gilfellon
City of Busselton	Catherine Smallwood	City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	Nicki Armstrong
Town of Cambridge	Darryl Schorer	Shire of Katanning	Douglas Cherry
Shire of Capel	John Richards	Shire of Kent	Janet Dye
Shire of Carnarvon	Heather Condo	City of Kwinana	Vesna Harrison
Shire of Chapman Valley	Karen Cole	Shire of Lake Grace	Terry Gladish
Shire of Chittering	Richard Siudak	City of Mandurah	Ian Frame
Town of Claremont	David Brown	City of Melville	Peter Drew
City of Cockburn	Graeme Brown	Shire of Menzies	Tony Stephenson
Shire of Collie	Wendy Grove	Shire of Merredin	Brenda Hobbs
Shire of Coorow	Stacey Donohue	Shire of Moora	Coral Kingston
Town of Cottesloe	Peter Zaikos	Town of Mosman Park	Ron Camp
Shire of Cue	Jacquie Moses	Shire of Mundaring	Tony Thompson
Shire of Dandaragan	Peter Lyons	Shire of Murray	Neil Whiteley
Shire of Dardanup	Wayne Webster	City of Nedlands	Alun Thomas
Shire of Denmark	Sandra Gater	Shire of Northam	Robert Dew
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	Brian Moore	Shire of Peppermint Grove	Byron Henderson
Shire of East Pilbara	Janet Wittorff	City of Perth	Lyn Henderson
Shire of Plantagenet	Julie Dupe	City of Subiaco	Gavin Cotterell

Local Government	Returning Officer	Local Government	Returning Officer
Town of Port Hedland	Ben Stevenson	City of Swan	Adrian Malkovic
Shire of Ravensthope	Denise Wolfenden	Shire of Upper Gascoyne	Louise Sellenger
City of Rockingham	Trevor Williams	Town of Victoria Park	Leonie Veitch
Shire of Roebourne	Keith Squibb	City of Vincent	Steven Tweedie
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	Geoff Webb	City of Wanneroo	Jim Kelly
Shire of Shark Bay	Ron Boardley	Shire of Waroona	Carlene Smith
City of South Perth	Adrian MacDonald	Shire of West Arthur	Helen Earnshaw
City of Stirling	Harold Crosby	Shire of Wongan-Ballidu	Andrea Bear

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Appendix 14 – Late Mail

Local Government	Late Returns	Late Returns as % of Total Packages Sent
City of Albany	131	0.54%
City of Armadale	245	0.68%
Shire of Ashburton	2	0.32%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	68	0.76%
Town of Bassendean	73	0.72%
City of Bayswater	263	0.64%
City of Belmont	151	0.71%
Shire of Boddington	4	0.38%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	8	0.30%
Shire of Brookton*		
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	16	2.01%
City of Bunbury	351	1.65%
City of Busselton	294	1.27%
Town of Cambridge	128	0.72%
Shire of Capel*		
Shire of Carnarvon	13	0.52%
Shire of Chapman Valley	11	1.35%
Shire of Chittering	13	0.39%
Town of Claremont	8	0.37%
City of Cockburn	882	1.46%
Shire of Collie*		
Shire of Coorow	8	0.74%
Town of Cottesloe	25	1.71%
Shire of Cue	0	0.00%
Shire of Dandaragan	24	0.96%
Shire of Dardanup	56	0.66%
Shire of Denmark	10	0.63%
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	20	0.51%
Shire of East Pilbara	13	0.52%
Shire of Esperance	67	1.12%
Shire of Exmouth	14	0.87%
City of Fremantle	409	2.05%
Shire of Gingin	142	3.29%
Shire of Gnowangerup	12	1.15%
City of Gosnells	699	1.09%
City of Greater Geraldton	138	0.57%
Shire of Harvey*		
Shire of Irwin	31	1.24%
Shire of Jerramungup*		
City of Joondalup	1,281	1.19%
Shire of Kalamunda	272	0.72%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	258	1.65%
Shire of Katanning	65	2.63%
Shire of Kent*		
City of Kwinana	227	1.32%
Shire of Lake Grace	6	0.98%
City of Mandurah	332	0.66%
City of Melville	478	0.69%
Shire of Menzies	2	1.79%
Shire of Merredin*		
Shire of Moora*		
Town of Mosman Park	67	1.15%
Shire of Mundaring	91	0.68%
Shire of Murray	120	1.12%
City of Nedlands	51	0.67%
Shire of Northam	23	0.43%
Shire of Peppermint Grove	11	0.97%

City of Perth	146	1.35%
Shire of Plantagenet	18	0.53%
Town of Port Hedland	37	0.63%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	12	0.96%
City of Rockingham	468	0.70%
Shire of Roebourne	49	0.65%
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	70	0.84%
Shire of Shark Bay*		
City of South Perth	182	0.88%
City of Stirling	564	0.54%
City of Subiaco	60	0.72%
City of Swan	245	0.58%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne*		
Town of Victoria Park	193	0.98%
City of Vincent	287	1.36%
City of Wanneroo	1,016	1.08%
Shire of Waroona*		
Shire of West Arthur	2	0.31%
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu*		
TOTAL	10,962	0.93%

Late mail as a percentage of packages sent. Statistics of late mail collated from a 5 day period to 25 October 2013 inclusive.

*Shires of Brookton, Capel, Collie, Harvey, Jerramungup, Kent, Merredin, Moora, Shark Bay, Upper Gascoyne, Waroona and Wongan-Ballidu did not proceed to a full election.

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Appendix 15 – Unclaimed Mail

Local Government	Unclaimed	Unclaimed mail as % of total packages sent
City of Albany	335	1.37%
City of Armadale	319	0.77%
Shire of Ashburton	21	3.35%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	158	1.77%
Town of Bassendean	100	0.99%
City of Bayswater	402	0.97%
City of Belmont	294	1.37%
Shire of Boddington	17	1.62%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	34	1.27%
Shire of Brookton*		
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	13	1.63%
City of Bunbury	258	1.21%
City of Busselton	273	1.18%
Town of Cambridge	126	0.71%
Shire of Capel*		
Shire of Carnarvon	55	2.17%
Shire of Chapman Valley	29	3.57%
Shire of Chittering	59	1.78%
Town of Claremont	20	0.92%
City of Cockburn	467	0.77%
Shire of Collie*		
Shire of Coorow	52	4.80%
Town of Cottesloe	12	0.82%
Shire of Cue	21	12.65%
Shire of Dandaragan	88	3.52%
Shire of Dardanup	71	0.83%
Shire of Denmark	30	1.88%
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	40	1.02%
Shire of East Pilbara	186	7.42%
Shire of Esperance	101	1.69%
Shire of Exmouth	67	4.15%
City of Fremantle	222	1.11%
Shire of Gingin	86	1.99%
Shire of Gnowangerup	51	4.87%
City of Gosnells	480	0.74%
City of Greater Geraldton	392	1.63%
Shire of Harvey*		
Shire of Irwin	29	1.16%
Shire of Jerramungup*		
City of Joondalup	706	0.66%
Shire of Kalamunda	236	0.62%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	317	2.09%
Shire of Katanning	39	1.58%
Shire of Kent*		
City of Kwinana	171	0.99%
Shire of Lake Grace	4	0.65%
City of Mandurah	669	1.32%
City of Melville	422	0.61%
Shire of Menzies	4	3.57%
Shire of Merredin*		
Shire of Moora*		
Town of Mosman Park	54	0.92%
Shire of Mundaring	115	0.86%
Shire of Murray	152	1.42%
City of Nedlands	53	0.70%
Shire of Northam	90	1.70%

Shire of Peppermint Grove	7	0.62%
City of Perth	303	2.80%
Shire of Plantagenet	83	2.43%
Town of Port Hedland	205	3.51%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	34	2.72%
City of Rockingham	618	0.92%
Shire of Roebourne	241	3.17%
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	59	0.47%
Shire of Shark Bay*		
City of South Perth	244	1.18%
City of Stirling	836	0.87%
City of Subiaco	148	1.78%
City of Swan	390	0.54%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne*		
Town of Victoria Park	251	1.27%
City of Vincent	225	1.07%
City of Wanneroo	756	0.80%
Shire of Waroona*		
Shire of West Arthur	13	2.01%
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu*		
TOTAL	12,353	1.05%

Record of unclaimed mail received to 18 November 2013.

***Shires of Brookton, Capel, Collie, Harvey, Jerramungup, Kent, Merredin, Moora, Shark Bay, Upper Gascoyne, Waroona and Wongan-Ballidu did not proceed to a full election.**

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Appendix 16 – Enrolment and Voter Participation for Local Governments Using the Postal Election Process in 2011 and 2013

District	Enrolment in 2011	Voter Participation in 2011	Participation %	Enrolment in 2013	Voter Participation in 2013	Participation %
Albany [†]	23,610	10,930	46.3%	24,485	8,986	36.7%
Armadale	32,636	9,892	30.3%	35,776	9,686	27.1%
Ashburton	1,953	590	30.2%	627	233	37.2%
Augusta-Margaret River	2,470	1,350	54.7%	8,946	3,771	42.2%
Bassendean	9,634	3,178	33.0%	10,124	3,101	30.6%
Bayswater	40,076	10,665	26.6%	41,328	10,520	25.5%
Belmont	6,572	2,028	30.9%	21,386	6,412	30.0%
Boddington				1,047	674	64.4%
Bridgetown-Greenbushes	3,158	1,589	50.3%	2,673	1,150	43.0%
Brookton	689	411	59.7%		No election	
Broomehill-Tambellup		No election		796	459	57.7%
Bunbury ^{††}	20,896	6,507	31.1%	21,278	8,069	37.9%
Busselton	21,124	7,498	35.5%	23,158	7,211	31.1%
Cambridge [†]	8,394	2,701	32.2%	17,860	4,914	27.5%
Canning	50,346	14,368	28.5%			
Capel	8,420	2,461	29.2%		No election	
Carnarvon [†]	3,140	1,431	45.6%	2,524	1,019	40.4%
Chapman Valley				813	417	51.3%
Chittering	2,948	1,067	36.2%	3,313	1,098	33.1%
Claremont ^{††}	6,561	2,637	40.2%	2,180	672	30.8%
Cockburn ^{††,.}	56,277	15,159	26.9%	60,431	15,196	25.1%
Collie	5,862	2,300	39.2%		No election	
Coolgardie ^{**}	1,646	755	45.9%	1,710	472	27.6%
Coorow		No election		1,083	525	48.5%
Cottesloe ^{††}	2,542	962	37.8%	1,461	462	31.6%
Cue				166	90	54.2%
Dandaraqan	2,339	1,273	54.4%	2,499	1,115	44.6%
Dardanup	7,927	2,656	33.5%	8,538	2,484	29.1%
Denmark		No election		1,596	744	46.6%
Donnybrook-Balingup	3,746	1,601	42.7%	3,936	1,696	43.1%
East Pilbara	2,348	633	27.0%	2,505	674	26.9%
Esperance	8,664	4,071	47.0%	5,973	2,057	34.4%
Exmouth	1,534	864	56.3%	1,615	759	47.0%
Fremantle ^{††}	9,613	3,449	35.9%	19,922	8,125	40.8%
Ginquin	458	236	51.5%	4,321	1,581	36.6%
Gnowanquerup [*]		No election		1,048	473	45.1%
Gosnells	61,081	14,572	23.9%	64,033	13,987	21.8%
Greater Geraldton [†]	22,858	8,300	36.3%	24,030	7,601	31.6%
Harvey	15,015	4,587	30.5%		No election	
Irwin	2,401	1,213	50.5%	2,497	1,073	43.0%
Jerramunup	727	419	57.6%		No election	
Joondalup ^{††}	86,090	20,502	23.8%	107,845	23,797	22.1%
Kalamunda	8,766	3,013	34.4%	37,837	11,127	29.4%
Kalbarrie-Boulder [†]	15,514	5,390	34.7%	15,613	4,666	29.9%

District	Enrolment in 2011	Voter Participation in 2011	Participation %	Enrolment in 2013	Voter Participation in 2013	Participation %
Katanning	2,440	1,187	48.6%	2,469	1,380	55.9%
Kent	444	247	55.6%		No election	
Kwinana	15,578	4,088	26.2%	17,230	4,359	25.3%
Lake Grace	466	293	62.9%	613	426	69.5%
Mandurah ⁺⁺	46,145	15,677	34.0%	50,512	17,102	33.9%
Melville ⁺	66,676	23,278	34.9%	68,758	19,799	28.8%
Menzies	264	129	48.9%	112	63	56.3%
Merredin	2,034	1,042	51.2%		No election	
Moora	1,566	701	44.8%		No election	
Mosman Park ⁺⁺	5,656	1,997	35.3%	5,847	2,019	34.5%
Mundaring	19,013	6,139	32.3%	13,298	3,489	26.2%
Murray		No election		10,673	2,878	27.0%
Nedlands ⁺	14,229	5,146	36.2%	7,551	2,099	27.8%
Northam	5,203	2,085	40.1%	5,301	1,884	35.5%
Peppermint Grove	1,070	479	44.8%	1,133	443	39.1%
Perth ⁺	10,230	4,584	44.8%	10,825	3,023	27.9%
Plantagenet		No election		3,420	1,450	42.4%
Port Hedland ⁺⁺	5,546	1,544	27.8%	5,829	2,052	35.2%
Ravensthorpe	556	386	69.4%	1,249	582	46.6%
Rockingham	52,278	16,208	31.0%	66,665	17,225	25.8%
Roebourne	6,255	1,942	31.0%	7,597	2,119	27.9%
Serpentine-Jarrahdale	10,726	3,505	32.7%	8,336	1,931	23.2%
Shark Bay	481	264	54.9%		No election	
South Perth ⁺	25,679	8,097	31.5%	20,562	5,924	28.8%
Stirling	126,920	35,131	27.7%	96,468	24,093	25.0%
Subiaco ⁺⁺	11,196	4,343	38.8%	8,317	2,714	32.6%
Swan	19,221	5,718	29.7%	42,571	10,132	23.8%
Upper Gascoyne	201	59	29.4%		No election	
Victoria Park ⁺		No election		19,761	5,086	25.7%
Vincent ⁺⁺	19,834	7,604	38.3%	21,102	6,699	31.7%
Wanneroo ⁺	83,852	20,586	24.6%	93,906	20,602	21.9%
Waroona	2,481	1,082	43.6%		No election	
West Arthur		No election		646	332	51.4%
Wongan-Ballidu		No election			No election	
TOTAL	1,114,275	344,799	30.94%	1,176,014	326,529	27.76%
Total of local governments –contested postal elections			66			64

Enrolment – Elector figures for contested elections only.

Voter Participation –

Comparative Statistics 2011 and 2013 – participation rate for contested postal elections. In-person elections are shown in **bold italics**, the data for which is not included in the total.

** in-person voting method in 2013

* in-person voting method in 2011

⁺⁺ Mayoral Election in 2013

⁺ Mayoral/Presidential Election in 2011

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Appendix 17 – Participation Rate for In-Person Elections Conducted in October 2013

Name	Electors in Contested Wards	Voters	Participation %
Broome	8,603	2,867	33.33%
Bruce Rock	660	269	40.76%
Carnamah	366	141	38.52%
Coolgardie	1,710	472	27.60%
Cuballing	645	205	31.78%
Cunderdin	848	176	20.75%
Derby-West Kimberly	3,674	1,244	33.86%
East Fremantle	4,005	844	21.07%
Halls Creek	1,685	394	23.38%
Kojonup	1,387	534	38.50%
Kondinin	582	234	40.21%
Kulin	162	114	70.37%
Laverton	386	144	37.31%
Manjimup	3,196	631	19.74%
Meekatharra	471	96	20.38%
Mount Magnet	309	123	39.81%
Mount Marshall	389	234	60.15%
Murchison	38	27	71.05%
Nannup	428	178	41.59%
Narrogin (Town)	2,675	870	32.52%
Nungarin	75	65	86.67%
Pingelly	833	341	40.94%
Quairading	769	340	44.21%
Sandstone	70	40	57.14%
Toodyay	1,567	288	18.38%
Trayning	260	124	47.69%
Victoria Plains	124	77	62.10%
Wandering	347	169	48.70%
Wiluna	284	72	25.35%
Wyalkatchem	402	184	45.77%
Wyndham-East Kimberly	3,848	815	21.18%
York	2,590	1,108	42.78%
Total	43,388	13,420	30.93%

Data Source: Department of Local Government

Appendix 18 – Comparative Statistics for Postal Elections 2009, 2011 and 2013 Ordinary Elections

District	2009 Enrolment	2009 Voter Participation	Participation %	2011 Enrolment	2011 Voter Participation	Participation %	2013 Enrolment	2013 Voter Participation	Participation %
Albanv	19,101	8,109	42.5%	23,610	10,930	46.3%	24,485	8,986	36.7%
Armadales	30,693	9,392	30.6%	32,636	9,892	30.3%	35,776	9,686	27.1%
Ashburton	2,156	784	36.4%	1,953	590	30.2%	627	233	37.2%
Auqusta-Margaret River	5,734	2,633	45.9%	2,470	1,350	54.7%	8,946	3,771	42.2%
Bassendean	9,803	3,652	37.3%	9,634	3,178	33.0%	10,124	3,101	30.6%
Bayswater				40,076	10,665	26.6%	41,328	10,520	25.5%
Belmont	15,367	5,514	35.9%	6,572	2,028	30.9%	21,386	6,412	30.0%
Boddington							1,047	674	64.4%
Bridgetown-Greenbushes	2,638	1,218	46.2%	3,158	1,589	50.3%	2,673	1,150	43.0%
Brookton*				689	411	59.7%		No election	
Broomehill-Tambellup		No election			No election		796	459	57.7%
Bunbury	21,053	8,063	38.3%	20,896	6,507	31.1%	21,278	8,069	37.9%
Busselton	20,080	8,049	40.1%	21,124	7,498	35.5%	23,158	7,211	31.1%
Cambridge	17,270	5,489	31.8%	8,394	2,701	32.2%	17,860	4,914	27.5%
Canning	50,797	15,625	30.8%	50,346	14,368	28.5%			
Capel*	7,678	2,716	35.4%	8,420	2,461	29.2%		No election	
Carnarvon	2,434	960	39.4%	3,140	1,431	45.6%	2,524	1,019	40.4%
Chapman Valley							813	417	51.3%
Chittering	2,718	1,062	39.1%	2,948	1,067	36.2%	3,313	1,098	33.1%
Claremont	6,509	2,860	43.9%	6,561	2,637	40.2%	2,180	672	30.8%
Cockburn	53,631	17,619	32.9%	56,277	15,159	26.9%	60,431	15,196	25.1%
Collie*	5,904	2,517	42.6%	5,862	2,300	39.2%		No election	
Coolgardie	1,769	785	44.6%	1,646	755	45.9%			
Coorow	1,119	626	55.9%		No election		1,083	525	48.5%
Cottesloe	961	488	50.8%	2,542	962	37.8%	1,461	462	31.6%
Cuballing		No election							
Cue							166	90	54.2%
Dandaragan				2,339	1,273	54.4%	2,499	1,115	44.6%

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District	2009 Enrolment	2009 Voter Participation	Participation %	2011 Enrolment	2011 Voter Participation	Participation %	2013 Enrolment	2013 Voter Participation	Participation %
Dardanup	7,621	2,443	32.1%	7,927	2,656	33.5%	8,538	2,484	29.1%
Denmark	3,147	1,736	55.2%		No election		1,596	744	46.6%
Donnybrook-Balingup		No election		3,746	1,601	42.7%	3,936	1,696	43.1%
East Pilbara	2,781	871	31.3%	2,348	633	27.0%	2,505	674	26.9%
Esperance		No election		8,664	4,071	47.0%	5,973	2,057	34.4%
Exmouth	1,503	772	51.4%	1,534	864	56.3%	1,615	759	46.9%
Fremantle	18,883	8,856	46.9%	9,613	3,449	35.9%	19,922	8,125	40.8%
Geraldton-Greenough	15,592	5,459	35.0%						
Gingin	1,541	923	59.9%	458	236	51.5%	4,321	1,581	36.6%
Gnowangerup		No election					1,048	473	45.1%
Gosnells	60,854	15,430	25.4%	61,081	14,572	23.9%	64,033	13,987	21.8%
Greater Geraldton				22,858	8,300	36.3%	24,030	7,601	31.6%
Harvey*				15,015	4,587	30.5%		No election	
Irwin	2,295	1,383	60.3%	2,401	1,213	50.5%	2,497	1,073	43.0%
Jerramunqup*		No election		727	419	57.6%		No election	
Joondalup	105,137	28,268	26.9%	86,090	20,502	23.8%	107,845	23,797	22.1%
Kalamunda	26,609	9,742	36.6%	8,766	3,013	34.4%	37,837	11,127	29.4%
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	15,878	5,002	30.5%	15,514	5,390	34.7%	15,613	4,666	29.9%
Katanning	2,467	1,339	54.3%	2,440	1,187	48.6%	2,469	1,380	55.9%
Kent*				444	247	55.6%		No election	
Kwinana	15,003	4,880	32.5%	15,578	4,088	26.2%	17,230	4,359	25.3%
Lake Grace	590	359	60.8%	466	293	62.9%	613	426	69.5%
Mandurah	43,346	17,298	39.9%	46,145	15,677	34.0%	50,512	17,102	33.9%
Melville	56,764	20,572	36.2%	66,676	23,278	34.9%	68,758	19,799	28.8%
Menzies				264	129	48.9%	112	63	56.3%
Merredin*	2,018	993	49.2%	2,034	1,042	51.2%		No election	
Moora*	1,563	761	48.8%	1,566	701	44.8%		No election	
Mosman Park	5,634	1,890	33.5%	5,656	1,997	35.3%	5,847	2,019	34.5%
Mundaring	24,439	8,402	34.4%	19,013	6,139	32.3%	13,298	3,489	26.2%
Murray	3,259	1,263	39.0%		No election		10,673	2,878	27.0%

District	2009 Enrolment	2009 Voter Participation	Participation %	2011 Enrolment	2011 Voter Participation	Participation %	2013 Enrolment	2013 Voter Participation	Participation %
Nedlands	14,318	5,654	39.5%	14,229	5,146	36.2%	7,551	2,099	27.8%
Northam	4,097	1,670	40.8%	5,203	2,085	40.1%	5,301	1,884	35.5%
Peppermint Grove	1,075	552	51.3%	1,070	479	44.8%	1,133	443	39.1%
Perth	10,513	3,671	34.9%	10,230	4,584	44.8%	10,825	3,023	27.9%
Plantagenet	3,229	1,594	49.4%		No election		3,420	1,450	42.4%
Port Hedland				5,546	1,544	27.8%	5,829	2,052	35.2%
Ravensthorpe	477	287	60.2%	556	386	69.4%	1,249	582	46.6%
Rockingham	50,713	17,057	33.6%	52,278	16,208	31.0%	66,665	17,225	25.8%
Roebourne	7,092	2,144	30.2%	6,255	1,942	31.0%	7,597	2,119	27.9%
Serpentine-Jarrahdale	4,700	1,719	36.6%	10,726	3,505	32.7%	8,336	1,931	23.2%
Shark Bay*	578	380	65.7%	481	264	54.9%		No election	
South Perth	21,635	7,605	35.2%	25,679	8,097	31.5%	20,562	5,924	28.8%
Stirling	127,015	38,036	29.9%	126,920	35,131	27.7%	96,468	24,093	25.0%
Subiaco	8,677	3,535	40.7%	11,196	4,343	38.8%	8,317	2,714	32.6%
Swan	50,038	15,966	31.9%	19,221	5,718	29.7%	42,571	10,132	23.8%
Upper Gascoyne*		No election		201	59	29.4%		No election	
Victoria Park	9,738	3,232	33.2%		No election		19,761	5,086	25.7%
Vincent	19,936	6,194	31.1%	19,834	7,604	38.3%	21,102	6,699	31.7%
Wanneroo	56,334	15,746	28.0%	83,852	20,586	24.6%	93,906	20,602	21.9%
Waroona*		No election		2,481	1,082	43.6%		No election	
West Arthur		No election			No election		646	332	51.4%
Wongan-Ballidu*					No election			No election	
TOTAL	1,084,504	361,845	33.37%	1,114,275	344,799	30.94%	1,176,014	326,529	27.76%
Number of local governments – contested postal elections	59			66			64		

*Shires of Brookton, Capel, Collie, Harvey, Jerramungup, Kent, Merredin, Moora, Shark Bay, Upper Gascoyne, Waroona and Wongan-Ballidu did not proceed to a full election in 2013.

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