

QPRC



CANDIDATE INFORMATION 2024

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Declaration of Poll

- **Friday 27 September: Postal Votes counted**
- **Monday 30 September: Distribution of Preferences start**
- **Tuesday 1 October: Declaration of Results commences**
- **Thursday 3 October: Declaration of Results ends**
- **24 hours from Declaration to seek a recount**

Prior to first Council Meeting

- **Issue Councillors their phone, Ipad, security fob**
- **Tour of Nellie Hamilton Centre and Council Chambers**
- **Forms to fill in**
- **Need minimum of 3 Days Notice for Business Paper**

- **Earliest Meeting date: Wednesday 9 October**
- **Next: Wednesday 16 October**

Agenda First Council meeting

- **Declaration of Councillor Affirmation or Oaths**
- **Election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor**
- **Delegations of Mayor and Deputy Mayor**
- **Delegations of General Manager**
- **Countback Provisions**
- **Adoption of the Code of Meeting Practice including the Council Meeting Schedule**

Council Meeting Schedule

- **Currently the Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month (except for December and January)**
- **December the Third Wednesday and January the Fourth Wednesday**
- **Meetings commence 5.30pm, break at 7.30pm, end by 9.30pm**
- **Held in Queanbeyan at the Nellie Hamilton Centre, Braidwood (at least 4 meetings per annum), and potentially Bungendore (Bungendore Sports Hub)**

Workshops and Briefing Sessions

- **Councillor Briefing Sessions Tuesday evening prior to Council Meeting commencing 4.30pm to 6pm, Online/in Person**
- **Workshops held each Tuesday and Wednesday of off weeks commencing 5.30pm to 7pm, Online/in Person**

Subsequent Council Meetings

- **Adoption of Code of Conduct, Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy**
- **Determine Council Committees and Councillor Delegates**
- **Review of Council Policies commence**
- **Then ongoing Council Business as Usual**

Strategy Days

- **Weekend of either 26th - 27th October or the 2nd - 3rd November**
- **External Facilitator to deliver**
 - **Team Goals and Objectives**
 - **Establishing Team Rules**
 - **Council Term Strategy**
 - **Code of Conduct**
 - **Meeting Code of Practice**
 - **Statutory Requirements for Development Applications**

Councillor Induction Program

- **LGNSW Annual Conference**
 - **Tamworth 17th - 19th November**
- **Councillor Induction and Training Program over next 6-12 months based on Councillor's individual needs and time availability**
- **Plus Workshops on offer with:**
 - **Office of Local Government**
 - **Local Government NSW**
 - **Canberra Regional Joint Organisation**

Resources

Office of Local Government

<https://www.olg.nsw.gov.au/programs-and-initiatives/local-government-elections/>

NSW Electoral Commission

<https://elections.nsw.gov.au/elections/local-government-elections/2024-nsw-local-government-elections>

LGNSW

<https://www.lgnsw.org.au/Public/NSW-Councils/Become-a-Councillor.aspx>

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Any questions?

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