



Council elections

Local Government 2014 Elections – Information for Candidates

Info Sheet 4

Local Government – Where to go for more information

The **Local Government 2014 Elections Information Sheet Series** has been prepared to foster interest in nominating as a candidate in the 2014 Local Government elections.

The Info Sheets are:

- **Info Sheet 1:** Local Government – Councils at Work
- **Info Sheet 2:** Interested in taking on the role of a Council Member?
- **Info Sheet 3:** On the Campaign Trail
- **Info Sheet 4:** Where to go for more information

This Info Sheet 4 provides a list of resources and references to assist candidates in the lead up to the elections in November 2014.

Local Government – the legislative framework

- *Local Government Act 1999*
- *Local Government (Elections) Act 1999*

These and other SA Government legislation is available via www.legislation.sa.gov.au

Rules for Candidates – a candidate's “must read”

Council Elections Candidate Handbook: Electoral Commission of SA

This publication explains the eligibility criteria, rules for nominating as a candidate, candidate profile, electoral material, campaigning, donations and post-election returns. A copy is provided as part of the nomination pack by the Returning Officer. The handbook will be available electronically after 22 August:

<http://www.ecsa.sa.gov.au/parties-and-candidates/council-candidates>

General publications for Candidates

- *So you want to be on Council – A guide for anyone considering nominating for election to their local Council*: Local Government Association of SA. An introduction to Local Government, legal issues for Council Members and an overview of the election process. See www.lga.sa.gov.au/nominate;
- *Council Members' Guide*: Local Government Association of SA
A reference tool for newly elected Council Members which contains information about the day-to-day administration at the Council. Available in October 2014

Your local Council

- Councils have a range of information and resources for candidates undertaking research for their campaign. A list of Councils and their contact details can be found here:
<http://www.lga.sa.gov.au/councils>;

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