

# SHIRE OF GOOMALLING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 21 OCTOBER 2023

# **ENROLLING TO VOTE**

You may be eligible to be enrolled to vote in the upcoming in-person Local Government elections on Saturday, 21 October 2023 if you live in or are an owner or occupier of rateable property in the district of the Shire of Goomalling.

#### Residents

You are automatically enrolled to vote if you are on the State Electoral Roll as at 4.00pm 31 August 2023. If you are not already on the State Electoral Roll but meet the eligibility criteria for this Roll, a claim for enrolment can be made to any Divisional Returning Officer of the Australian Electoral Commission in WA. Forms are available from all post offices or the WA Electoral Commission and must be completed and reach a Divisional Returning Officer by 4.00pm Friday 31 August 2023.

If you have changed addresses since you last voted in a Local Government or State Election and you have not advised the WA Electoral Commission, you must do so to be registered as a voter for the upcoming Election.

### **Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers**

If you are a non-resident owner or occupier of rateable property in the Shire of Goomalling and are on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, you are eligible to enrol to vote and should make an enrolment application to the Shire of Goomalling. If you are *not* on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll and own or occupy rateable property in the Shire of Goomalling, you *may* be eligible to enrol to vote if you were on the Local Government's last electoral roll prior to October 2021. Please contact the Shire of Goomalling for details.

Owners of land who were on the last roll of the Shire of Goomalling continue to retain that status until they cease to own the rateable property to which the enrolment relates.

Occupiers do not have continuous enrolment and should contact the Shire of Goomalling to confirm their enrolment status. To be eligible to enrol as an occupier, you will need to have a right of continuous occupation under a lease, tenancy agreement or other legal instrument for at least the next 3 months following the date of the application to enrol.

### Joint Owners and Occupiers

If a rateable property is owned or occupied by more than two people, a majority of the owners/occupiers may nominate two persons from amongst themselves who are on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

#### Corporations

A body corporate that owns or occupies rateable property may nominate two people who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

## **Enrolment Forms**

Enrolment claim forms can be obtained from the Shire Office or Australian Electoral Commission Offices and should be lodged with Peter Bentley, Chief Executive Officer by 4.00pm on Friday 31 August 2023. If you registered for the 2021 elections or since that time you do not need to register.

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