

**Local Government Act 1993**  
**Local Government (General) Regulation 2021**  
**Local government elections**

**Direction under s 356TA Posters - arrangements for COVID-19 pandemic**

Pursuant to section 296(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993* and section 275(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* (the **Regulation**), the Electoral Commissioner is election manager of the local government elections of the councils listed in the Annexure to this Direction.

Section 356TA(1) of the Regulation provides that the election manager may direct that a person must not display a poster in or on:

- (a) a polling place or pre-polling office; or
- (b) relevant premises within 100 metres of -
  - (i) a polling place, or
  - (ii) a pre-polling office.

Pursuant to section 356TA(8) of the Regulation, relevant premises are premises occupied or used by, or under the control or management of:

- (a) the Crown,
- (b) a NSW agency, or
- (c) a council, county council or joint organisation.

Therefore, to reduce the risk of infection from COVID-19 where a poster would be displayed, I direct that, in respect of any of the elections of the councils listed in the Annexure to this Direction, a person must not display a poster in or on:

- (a) a polling place or pre-polling office, or
- (b) relevant premises within 100 metres of -
  - (i) a polling place, or
  - (ii) a pre-polling office

on a day during the election period on which voting will be occurring, unless:

- (a) the poster was displayed by the person before 7 am; and
- (b) the display of the poster is not adjusted or altered in any way until after 7pm.

Without limiting the ordinary meaning of “poster”, this Direction includes A-frames and corflutes.

John Schmidt  
**Electoral Commissioner for New South Wales**

## Annexure

### Council elections to which this Direction applies

|                               |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| City of Albury                | Armidale Regional       |
| Ballina                       | Bathurst Regional       |
| Bayside                       | Bega Valley             |
| Bellingen                     | Berrigan                |
| City of Blacktown             | Bland                   |
| Blayney                       | City of Blue Mountains  |
| Bogan                         | Bourke                  |
| Brewarrina                    | City of Broken Hill     |
| Burwood                       | Byron                   |
| Cabonne                       | Camden                  |
| City of Campbelltown          | Canada Bay              |
| Canterbury-Bankstown          | Carrathool              |
| City of Cessnock              | Clarence Valley         |
| Cobar                         | City of Coffs Harbour   |
| Coolamon                      | Coonamble               |
| Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional | Cowra                   |
| Cumberland                    | Dubbo Regional          |
| Dungog                        | Edward River            |
| Eurobodalla                   | Federation              |
| Forbes                        | Georges River           |
| Gilgandra                     | Glen Innes Severn Shire |
| Goulburn Mulwaree             | Greater Hume Shire      |
| City of Griffith              | Gunnedah                |
| Gwydir                        | City of Hawkesbury      |
| Hay                           | Hilltops                |
| Hornsby                       | Hunter's Hill           |
| Inner West                    | Inverell                |
| Junee                         | Kempsey                 |

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|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Kiama                  | Ku-ring-gai                  |
| Kyogle                 | Lachlan                      |
| City of Lake Macquarie | Lane Cove                    |
| Leeton                 | City of Lismore              |
| City of Lithgow        | City of Liverpool            |
| Liverpool Plains       | Lockhart                     |
| City of Maitland       | Mid-Coast                    |
| Mid-Western Regional   | Moree Plains                 |
| Mosman                 | Murray River                 |
| Murrumbidgee           | Muswellbrook                 |
| Nambucca Valley        | Narrabri                     |
| Narrandera             | Narromine                    |
| City of Newcastle      | North Sydney                 |
| Northern Beaches       | Oberon                       |
| City of Orange         | Parkes                       |
| City of Parramatta     | Port Macquarie-Hastings      |
| Port Stephens          | Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional |
| City of Randwick       | Richmond Valley              |
| City of Ryde           | City of Shellharbour         |
| City of Shoalhaven     | Singleton                    |
| Snowy Monaro Regional  | Snowy Valleys                |
| Strathfield            | Sutherland Shire             |
| City of Sydney         | Tamworth Regional            |
| Temora                 | Tenterfield                  |
| The Hills Shire        | Tweed                        |
| Upper Hunter Shire     | Upper Lachlan Shire          |
| Uralla                 | City of Wagga Wagga          |
| Walcha                 | Walgett                      |
| Warren                 | Warrumbungle Shire           |
| Waverley               | Weddin                       |

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| Wentworth   | City of Willoughby |
| Wollondilly | City of Wollongong |
| Woollahra   | Yass Valley        |