# Narromine Shire Council by-election

## 19 August 2017



Report on the conduct of the election



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#### **ELECTION TIMETABLE**

Activity	Date	
Local Government expenditure period commenced	Friday, 30 June 2017	
Registration for candidates, third-party campaigners	Monday, 10 July 2017	
and official agents opened		
Close of rolls*	Monday, 10 July 2017, 6pm	
Close of nominations	Wednesday, 19 July 2017,	
	12noon	
Registration of electoral material commenced	Wednesday, 19 July 2017	
Close of registration of candidates	Wednesday, 19 July 2017	
Pre-poll voting commenced	Monday, 7 August 2017	
Registration of electoral material closed	Friday, 11 August 2017, 5pm	
Close of registration of third-party campaigners	Friday, 11 August 2017	
Postal voting applications closed	Monday, 14 August 2017,	
	5pm	
Pre-poll voting finished	Friday, 18 August 2017, 6pm	
Election day	Saturday, 19 August 2017	
Local government expenditure period ended	Saturday, 19 August 2017	
Return of postal votes closed	Monday, 21 August 2017,	
	6pm	
Distribution of preferences	Not required	
Declaration of the poll	Wednesday, 23 August 2017	

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{^{*}}$  For nominations and roll printing purposes.

#### **FOREWORD**

I am pleased to present the NSW Electoral Commission's report on the conduct of the Narromine Shire Council Local Government by-election held on Saturday, 19 August 2017.

Trudy EVERINGHAM (Independent) was declared elected Wednesday, 23 August 2017.

I would like to thank all NSWEC staff involved in providing the Narromine Shire Council Local Government by-election, as well as electors, councils, candidates, registered political parties and other stakeholders for their participation in this important event.

John Schmidt

Electoral Commissioner

John Schmidt

15 February 2018

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### **By-election outcome**

The candidate elected at the Narromine Shire Council By-election on Saturday, 19 August 2017 was Trudy EVERINGHAM (Independent) with 1,886 votes, 54.95 per cent of first preference votes.

#### **Candidates standing for election**

Candidate name	Party affiliation
Trudy EVERINGHAM	Independent
Ruth CARNEY	Independent

#### **Cost data**

Cost of by-election	\$45,134
Cost per elector	\$9.70

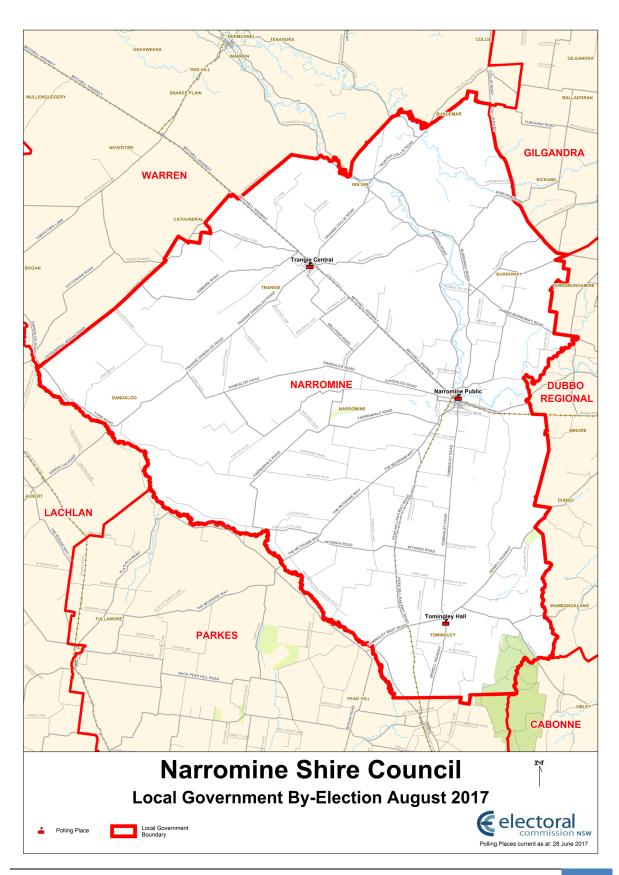
#### **BY-ELECTION SUMMARY**

Enrolment	
Total electors	4,652
Voting venues	
Pre-poll venues	1
Polling places	3
Voter turnout	
Formal votes	3,337
Informal votes	95
Total votes	3,432
Voter turnout rate	73.77%
Formality rate	97.23%
Non-voting penalty notices issued	962 <sup>1</sup>
Penalty notices issued as % of roll	20.68%
Voting options used by electors	
Ordinary	2,404
Postal	100
Pre-poll Pre-poll	898
Enrolment	30
Provisional/Silent	0
Candidates	
Total candidates	2

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A penalty notice is withdrawn if an elector provides a valid excuse for not voting. At the date of this report the enforcement process for failure-to-vote penalty notices for this by-election had not yet been completed.

#### **NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL**



#### **CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION**

#### **Background**

Narromine Shire Council is an undivided council with nine councillors. There was one councillor vacancy for this by-election.

#### **Performance**

The service standards in the 2014-16 NSWEC Election Service Charter were applied to the Narromine Shire Council by-election. In short, the NSWEC undertakes to:

- foster participation in the democratic process
- provide seamless service delivery
- be customer focussed and commercially minded
- be innovative and fast adaptors.

The Service Charter can be found at Appendix A.

#### **Comparisons to 2016 Local Government elections**

Comparative data on key indicators for Narromine Shire Council in the 2017 by-election and the 2016 ordinary election.

	Voter Participation		
	2016 election	2017 by-election	
Total electors	4,684	4,652	
Formal votes	3,598	3,337	
Informal votes	122	95	
Total votes	3,720	3,432	
Voter turnout	79.42%	73.77%	
Informality	3.3%	2.77%	
Election officials	7	6	
Cost per elector	\$8.09	\$9.70	

#### **Communications**

#### **Advertising**

The 2017 Local Government by-election advertising campaign for Narromine Shire Council consisted of council specific statutory advertisements and non-statutory advertising. Non-statutory advertising included information about registering as a third-party campaigner or candidate under the *Election Funding, Expenditure and Disclosures Act 1981* (EFED Act).

#### **Statutory campaign**

Prior to the election the NSWEC consulted with Narromine Shire Council to determine in which local newspapers the statutory advertisements, required under the legislation, were to be placed and the frequency of those placements.

Items covered in the statutory advertisements included:

- enrolment on residential and non-residential rolls
- nomination information
- candidates and polling place information
- election results.

Reproductions of these advertisements, and details of their placement in newspapers, can be viewed at Appendices B-D.

#### Social media

The NSWEC utilised social media to raise awareness of the election, promote voter participation, and communicate the responsibilities of political participants.

There were four Facebook posts and five tweets published for the by-election covering the topics of:

- nominations and registrations
- the announcement of candidates
- pre-poll and postal voting details
- election campaign finance rules.

The Facebook posts and tweets were viewed a total of 16,794 times.

The top performing tweet and Facebook post are shown on the following page.





Candidates for Narromine & Tenterfield Ward D Council by-elections Sat 19 Aug: elections.nsw.gov.au. Brewarrina by-election uncontested.

NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL & TENTERFIELD SHIRE COUNCIL - D WARD BY-ELECTIONS TO BE HELD 19 AUGUST 2017

BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL BY-ELECTION UNCONTESTED

CANDIDATE





**NSW Electoral Commission** 

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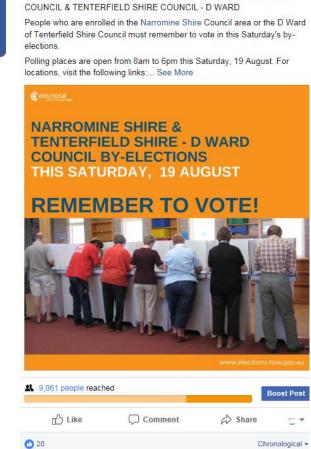
BY-ELECTIONS THIS SATURDAY, 19 AUGUST: NARROMINE SHIRE











#### **Direct communications with political participants**

Direct communications to candidates, third-party campaigners and official agents were made for the by-election using email and letters. The direct communications covered the topics of:

- confirmation of candidate and third-party campaigner registrations
- advice to nominated candidates of the requirements to appoint an official agent
- confirmation of official agent registrations
- advice to official agents on the rules for managing the election campaign finances of candidates and third-party campaigners.

#### Website

A NSWEC website was specifically setup for the by-election for stakeholders to source information on:

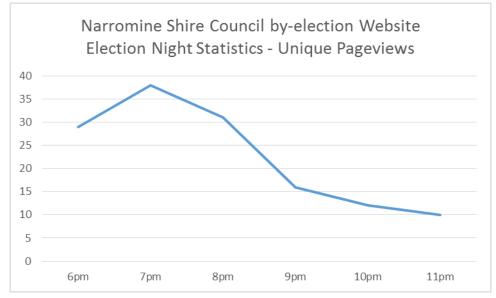
- the election timetable
- election employment opportunities
- enrolment requirements and online enrolment confirmation
- methods for voting
- Local Government political parties
- nomination and registration of candidates and third-party campaigners
- political donations
- list of nominated candidates
- polling place lookup facility
- election results.

An enrolment search facility on the NSWEC website was available to assist electors to verify their enrolment information.

Polling place information provided on the website included accessibility information for electors with a disability.

Narromine Shire Council provided a link on its website to the NSWEC site. The NSWEC's website experienced 1,991 unique page views in the month leading up to the election.

Use of the NSWEC's website is typically greatest on election night when users seek information on results. The following graph provides a picture of usage over the period from close of polling to midnight on election night for the Narromine Shire Council by-election. A total of 424 page views were recorded on election day.



Graph 1: Narromine Shire Council by-election – Usage of the NSWEC Website for Poll Results, 19 August 2017

#### **Registrations**

Registration of candidates closed on Wednesday, 19 July 2017. Registration of third-party campaigners closed on Friday, 11 August 2017.

Two candidates were registered under the EFED Act for the by-election. One candidate applied to be registered before the close of nominations as required by the EFED Act. One candidate appointed an official agent as required under the EFED Act.

There were no third-party campaigners registered for the by-election.

Following the declaration of the polls, we advised the elected candidate of her obligations under the EFED Act as an elected member. The elected member acts as her own official agent (as an elected member) and has an obligation to disclose, on an annual basis, (during her term as a councillor) any political donations made or received and electoral expenditure incurred.

#### **Nominations**

Nominations closed at noon on Wednesday, 19 July 2017.

A total of two nominations were received by close of nominations.

The draw for ballot paper position, held at 2pm on 19 July 2017, was conducted by the Returning Officer at the Returning Officer's office.

For a nomination to be accepted by the Returning Officer, candidates were required to complete a nomination form and a Candidate Information Sheet. Candidates were also required to submit a statistics form and pay a nomination deposit of \$125 to the Returning Officer.

The nomination deposit is refunded to candidates if:

- a candidate is elected or receives at least four per cent of the total first preference votes;
- in a group, any one of the group is elected or receives at least four per cent of the total first preference votes; or
- the election is uncontested.

#### Rolls

#### **Residential roll**

In New South Wales, enrolment and voting are compulsory at all Federal, State and Local Government elections. The New South Wales electoral roll is managed by the NSWEC in conjunction with the Australian Electoral Commission.

Legislation provides that for Local Government elections the electoral roll closes on the 40th day before the day of the election. Any person who was on the roll when it closed at 6pm on Monday, 10 July 2017 was required to vote.

There were 4,652 electors on the residential electoral roll for Narromine Shire Council. This was a decrease of 32 electors from the number on the roll for the Local Government Ordinary Elections in September 2016.

#### Non-residential roll

The non-residential roll is comprised of the roll of non-residential electors and the roll of occupiers and rate-paying lessees. The non-residential roll lapses after each election. Inclusion on the non-residential roll of electors is available to electors who pay rates to the council on property they own but do not occupy, as well as people who occupy or lease property. Under the *Local Government Act* 1993, the council's General Manager is responsible for compiling and maintaining the non-residential roll of electors.

There were no electors on the non-residential roll for Narromine Shire Council for the 2017 byelection.

#### **Voting**

#### Method of voting

Section 285 *Local Government Act 1993* prescribes that the voting system in a contested election of a councillor or councillors is to be:

- optional preferential if the number of councillors to be elected is one; or
- proportional representation if the number of councillors to be elected is two or more.

For this by-election, optional preferential was the method used. A reproduction of the ballot paper is shown at Appendix E.

#### **Absent voting**

Unlike State and Federal elections, absent voting is not available at NSW Local Government elections for electors who are outside their council area or ward on election day.

#### **Early voting**

#### **Pre-poll voting**

Pre-poll voting opened at 8am on Monday, 7 August 2017 and closed on Friday 18 August 2017, 6pm. The pre-poll location was:

• Narromine RO Office, 37 Burraway Street, Narromine

#### **Postal voting**

Electors who are registered as a Registered General Postal Voter for NSW State Elections are not required to register again for Local Government elections and were therefore automatically sent postal vote ballot papers.

Applications for postal voters opened on nomination day with electors able to obtain applications from the NSWEC website, the NSWEC head office or the Returning Officer's office. Applications for postal voting closed on Monday, 14 August 2017 at 5pm.

In order to be admitted to the count postal votes needed to be received by the Returning Officer by 6pm on Monday, 21 August 2017. Of 136 postal votes issued, 101 were accepted, 21 were rejected and 14 were not scrutinised because they were either returned too late or not returned at all.

#### **Election day voting**

#### **Polling places**

Securing appropriate premises for polling places can be difficult. The NSWEC does not own facilities within council areas. The pool of available rental premises is limited by the short-term nature of the lease and the NSWEC's space, accessibility, location and workplace health and safety requirements.

The NSWEC provided council with a draft list of proposed polling places to be used at this election. Feedback from the council was taken into consideration prior to the final selection of polling places.

As far as practically possible, the NSWEC aimed to provide accessible and appropriately sited polling places for the by-election. Information was provided to assist electors with mobility issues or other disabilities to locate the most suitable polling place. This access information was provided on the NSWEC's website and by NSWEC staff.

There were three polling places across the Narromine Shire Council area on election day. All three of them were accessible with assistance. The NSWEC website provided details of which polling places were accessible with assistance and the restrictions on accessibility where relevant. A list of polling places and their accessibility rating can be viewed at Appendix F.

Polling places were open to electors from 8am to 6pm on election day.

#### **Counting the votes**

On election night all polling places conducted an initial sort and count of first preference votes. At the Returning Officer's office, declaration (i.e. postal and pre-poll) votes are opened, sorted and first preferences are counted. The count results were placed on the NSWEC website on election night from 6pm onwards.

The successful candidate was declared elected by the Returning Officer at 3pm on Wednesday, 23 August 2017, following the statutory 24-hour period required for any recount requests.

Once the declaration of the election result had been signed by the Returning Officer, copies of the declaration were provided to the Electoral Commissioner, the Council's General Manager and the Chief Executives of both the Office of Local Government and Local Government NSW. In addition, the Returning Officer advised all candidates by phone, email or SMS that the election results were available on the NSWEC website. Election results were also published in local newspapers.

#### **Braille ballot papers**

No braille ballot papers were requested for an elector at this election.

#### **Non-voters**

#### Failure to vote

Under electoral legislation, the NSWEC is required to issue 'failure to vote' notices to those electors whose names were not marked off the electoral roll as having voted or as having provided a valid excuse.

All electoral rolls marked at polling places and in the Returning Officer's office were scanned after election day to create a list of non-voters. The penalty for failing to vote without a valid reason at a Local Government election is \$55.00.

For this election, 962 penalty notices were issued within the three-month period after election day.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A penalty notice is withdrawn if an elector provides a valid excuse for not voting. At the date of this report the enforcement process for failure-to-vote penalty notices for this by-election had not yet been completed.

#### SERVICES TO CANDIDATES AND POLITICAL PARTIES

#### **Candidate information**

A candidate information presentation was available on the NSWEC website to assist prospective candidates in their preparation for the election.

The presentation provided prospective candidates with the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the candidate process. Major topics covered in the presentation include:

- the election timetable
- candidate eligibility criteria and how to nominate
- political party names on ballot papers
- campaigning (election advertising, 'how-to-vote' material and public scrutiny of candidates)
- complaints handling by NSWEC
- voting and counting ballot papers
- scrutineers
- election campaign finance rules.

The NSWEC Handbook for Parties, Groups, Candidates and Scrutineers, which outlines relevant electoral processes and procedures for local government elections, was also made available to stakeholders.

Information about election processes and election campaign finance rules was also provided to candidates, political parties and others who made telephone or email enquiries.

A fact sheet for local government by-elections was published on the website to support candidates and other political participants understand the requirements for managing political donations and electoral expenditure.

#### How-to-vote material

All electoral material to be distributed by candidates or their representatives on election day must be registered by the NSWEC. Registration does not apply to posters, whether they are displayed before or on election day, nor is it required for material to be distributed before election day.

Candidates are required to provide an application form and a copy of each item to be registered. The NSWEC provided candidates with guidelines to assist them to meet the registration requirements. A candidate help line was also set up by the NSWEC to aid candidates.

#### **ELECTORAL STAFFING**

#### **Returning Officer**

The Returning Officer had a number of responsibilities which were central to the running of the election, including:

- set up and decommissioning of a temporary office
- training of office staff and polling place managers
- · making arrangements for voting at polling places
- issuing and processing postal and pre-poll votes
- dealing with enquiries and complaints from candidates and the public
- processing candidate nominations
- counting of votes and declaring the result of the election.

The Returning Officer's office for the Narromine Shire Council by-election was located at:

Narromine RO Office 37 Burraway Street Narromine NSW 2821

#### **Returning Officer Support Officer**

A Returning Officer Support Officer was appointed in order to provide support on electoral matters and procedures in the conduct of the election.

#### **Staffing**

Staffing is a significant cost for elections and, as such, the NSWEC recognises the importance of accurately predicting the number of required staff while taking into consideration the associated costs without compromising the level of service to electors.

The level of staffing required for the by-election varied during the different phases of the election. Staff were employed to undertake a variety of tasks including:

- office setup
- packing materials for each polling place
- registration, distribution and receipt of postal votes
- operation of pre-poll voting
- counting of the votes
- office pack-up.

All polling places have a minimum of two staff, one of whom is the polling place manager.

#### **ELECTION COSTS**

Councils are required to meet the costs of conducting their elections. While the NSW Government does not provide direct funding for local government elections, some NSWEC services required for local government elections, such as enrolment and non-voting services, are provided by the NSWEC at no cost. It should also be noted that services provided to candidates, political parties and others regarding the requirements of the EFED Act are provided by the NSWEC at no cost.

Key cost drivers for the election included:

- election officials wages
- office accommodation for the Returning Officer
- information and technology support
- polling places
- number of electors in council area
- newspaper and elector brochure advertising
- printing/materials for polling places.

The final cost of NSWEC conducting the election was \$45,134 (GST exclusive).

This was made up of election staffing \$30,797; venues \$731; ballot papers and electoral rolls \$1,804; other miscellaneous items \$8,546 and election management fee \$3,256. The cost per elector was \$9.70.

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#### **Appendix A: NSWEC Election Service Charter 2014-16**

#### Goal 1 - Foster participation in the democratic process

#### To be achieved by:

- Conducting impartial and fair elections in accordance with the law
- Providing services and information to enable all election participants to participate fully including communities with historically lower participation rates
- · Communicating election information in ways that encourage awareness and engagement
- Supporting events and activities that encourage participation in democracy

#### Success measured by:

- Election participants report conduct of election as impartial and fair and without barriers to participation
- Election participation equals or exceeds prior election levels
- Formality rates equal or exceed prior election levels
- There are no Court challenges to declared results

#### Goal 2 - Provide seamless service delivery

#### To be achieved by:

- Providing comprehensive services including:
  - o information services
  - o enrolment services
  - o voting options including pre-poll and technology enabled voting
  - location and accessibility of polling places
  - o services to assist those with particular needs
  - responsibilities and entitlements of candidates, groups and political parties including funding and disclosure requirements
- Providing efficient services to meet needs of participants according to legislative mandate
- Providing election services in timely, efficient and professional manner

#### Success measured by:

- Stakeholders feel well informed about election events
- Election participants report satisfaction with the NSWEC's electoral services

#### Goal 3 - Be customer focussed and commercially minded

#### To be achieved by:

- Understanding the needs of our stakeholders and users of our election services through liaison, consultation and structured feedback
- Ensuring elections are provided on a competitive basis
- Delivering well organised, reliable and quality elections

#### Success measured by:

- Participants report satisfaction with NSWEC's services and election staff
- Those entities using the NSWEC to conduct elections report satisfaction with services
  provided and see these are representing value (Note this is not applicable in the case of
  State Government elections and by-elections, which must be conducted by the NSWEC.)
- Costs of providing elections are recovered (Note this is not applicable in the case of State Government elections and by-elections.)
- The NSWEC actively seeks feedback on its services

#### Goal 4 - Be innovative and fast adaptors

#### To be achieved by

- Utilising new technologies to increase convenience for those participating in elections within the legislative mandate while maintaining integrity of the election and security of information
- Review developments in election services and funding and disclosure across Australia and internationally for possible application to NSW

#### Success measured by:

- The NSWEC is seen as seeking to adapt its services, within legislative requirements, to meet participants' needs
- The NSWEC advises Government of innovations that will strengthen the democratic system and improve administration of elections

## Appendix B: Narromine Shire Council by-election – nominations and enrolment advertisement



#### NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL BY-ELECTION SATURDAY, 19 AUGUST 2017

#### **Enrol To Vote**

A by-election will be held in the Narromine Shire Council area on Saturday, 19 August 2017 to elect one councillor.

#### **Non-residential Rolls**

If you are an owner, rate-paying lessee, or occupier of rateable land which is not your primary residence, you or a nominee may be entitled to be enrolled on the roll of non-residential owners of rateable land or the roll of occupiers and rate-paying lessees for this election.

Details of the eligibility criteria and enrolment claim forms may be obtained from the Narromine Shire Council office at 120 Dandaloo Street, Narromine NSW 2821 Phone (02) 6889 9999; Fax (02) 6889 9998; Website: www.narromine.nsw.gov.au, or will be forwarded to you upon request to the council. The claim must be completed and lodged with the General Manager of Narromine Shire Council by 6pm Monday, 10 July 2017.

If a claim for non-residential enrolment was made for a previous election, and you wish to claim enrolment for this election, you must re-apply

#### **Residential Roll**

All electors enrolled on the Commonwealth State electoral roll as at **6pm Monday**, **10 July 2017** residing in Narromine Shire Council will be included on the roll for the election.

To check your enrolment details or to obtain a residential enrolment form visit www.elections.nsw.gov.au or call 1300 135 736. Enrolment forms are also

available from any Australia Post office. Enrolment forms must be received by 6pm Monday, 10 July 2017.

Voting in Local Government elections is compulsory for all electors included on the residential roll.

#### Nominate as a candidate

If you intend to nominate as a candidate it is important that you read this notice. As a candidate you have certain obligations and responsibilities under law. Check the website www.elections.nsw.gov.au for further details.

#### How to nominate

To nominate for councillor, you must lodge a nomination form and \$125 nomination deposit by 12 noon Wednesday, 19 July 2017, at the council.

2017, at the council.

Candidate Information sheets: Every candidate is required to lodge the candidate information sheet which is included in the nomination form.

#### Where to get a nomination form

Nomination forms and other important nomination and electoral information are available from the council or from the NSW Electoral Commission website: www.elections.nsw.gov.au.

#### Where and when to nominate

Your nomination form and deposit must be lodged at the council offices, 120 Dandaloo Street, Narromine, during council business hours from Monday, 10 July 2017 to 12 noon Wednesday, 19 July 2017.

#### Register as a third-party campaigner or candidate

If you intend to participate in the election as a third-party campaigner or candidate, there are strict rules you must understand and comply with before you accept political donations or incur campaign expenditure.

#### Register as a third-party campaigner

Before you spend more than \$2,000 to promote or oppose a candidate or political party at the by-election, you must register as a third-party campaigner with the NSW Electoral Commission, appoint an official agent, and open a campaign account.

The last date for registration of third-party campaigners is 11 August 2017.

If you were registered as a third-party campaigner for a previous election, you must reapply to be registered for the by-election.

#### Register as a candidate

If you intend to contest the by-election as a candidate, you must register with the NSW Electoral Commission and appoint an official agent **before** accepting political donations or incurring campaign expenditure.

Registering for the election is a separate process to being nominated as a candidate for the election. To be nominated for the election, and have your name included on

the ballot paper, you must also complete and submit a nomination form.

The last date for registration of candidates is 19 July 2017.

If you registered as a candidate for a previous election, you must reapply to be registered for the by-election.

#### Candidate Information Presentation

A candidate information presentation can be found at www.elections.nsw.gov.au.

As a candidate you will have legal obligations and responsibilities. The presentation covers:

- The election timetable, candidate nominations and registrations, election advertising and how-to-vote material, voting and formality, vote counting, scrutineering; and
- Appointment of official agents, campaign accounts, political donations, campaign expenditure and disclosure obligations.

#### Information: www.elections.nsw.gov.au or 1300 135 736

For enquiries in languages other than English call our interpreting service on 13 14 50

For hearing and speech impaired enquiries, call us via the National Relay Service on 13 36 77

#### Enrol, Nominate, seminar, register

Narromine News Wednesday, 5 July 2017

Peak Hill and District Times Wednesday, 5 July 2017

### Appendix C: Narromine Shire Council by-election – notice of election advertisement



#### NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL BY-ELECTION SATURDAY, 19 AUGUST 2017

A by-election will be held in the Narromine Shire Council area on Saturday, 19 August 2017 to elect one councillor.

If you are enrolled in the Narromine Shire Council area, you must vote. To check your enrolment details, visit www.elections.nsw.gov.au or call 1300 135 736.

#### Voting on election day

Voting will take place on Saturday, 19 August 2017 between the hours of 8am and 6pm.

A list of polling places is available by visiting www.elections.nsw.gov.au or calling 1300 135 736.

#### Voting before election day

You may be entitled to a postal or pre-poll vote. For details, check www.elections.nsw.gov.au or call 1300 135 736.

#### **Pre-poll voting**

You can vote early in person from Monday, 7 August 2017 at the Returning Officer's office: 37 Burraway Street, Narromine.

Pre-poll voting hours:

- Monday, 7 August to Friday, 11 August: 8.30am – 5.00pm
- Monday, 14 August to Thursday, 17 August: 8.30am – 5.00pm
- Friday, 18 August: 8.30am 6.00pm

#### **Voting by Post**

You can apply online for a postal vote from **www.elections.nsw.gov.au** or by calling 1300 135 736. Your application must be completed and received by the Returning Officer no later than 5pm Monday, 14 August 2017.

#### **Candidates**

A full list of candidates is available by visiting our website or calling us.

#### **CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEETS**

Each candidate's information sheet is available for viewing at www.elections.nsw.gov.au or at the Returning Officer's office.

#### Voting is compulsory

Voting is compulsory for all electors of the Narromine Shire Council area. The penalty for not voting is \$55.

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Janet Sternbeck Returning Officer

#### **Notice of Election**

Narromine News

Wednesday, 9 August 2017

Peak Hill and District Times

Wednesday, 16 August 2017

## Appendix D: Narromine Shire Council by-election – declaration of poll advertisement



# NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL BY-ELECTION SATURDAY, 19 AUGUST 2017

#### Result of Election

An election was held to elect one councillor. I declare

#### Trudy EVERINGHAM

elected as councillor until the next ordinary election of the Council.

Detailed results are available from the NSW Electoral Commission website.

Janet Sternbeck Returning Officer

23 August 2017

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#### **Results**

Peak Hill and District Times

Wednesday, 30 August 2017

Narromine News

Wednesday, 6 September 2017

#### **Appendix E: Narromine Shire Council by-election – ballot paper**



You must not take a ballot paper out of the polling place

€ electoral

## Appendix F: Narromine Shire Council by-election - polling places and accessibility

Polling Place Name	Venue Type	Address	Locality	Accessibility
Narromine RO Office	Returning Office	37 Burraway Street	Narromine	Assisted Access
Narromine Public	Polling Place	Meringo Street	Narromine	Assisted Access
Tomingley Hall	Polling Place	Newell Highway	Tomingley	Assisted Access
Trangie Central	Polling Place	Derribong Street	Trangie	Assisted Access