

Supplementary Elections Policy	
Statutory Policy	
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1. POLICY STATEMENT

- 1.1 As Council does not have a Ward structure for members, Council may determine whether a supplementary election will be held in the event of a casual vacancy.

2. PURPOSE

2.1 Purpose

This Policy outlines the process to be undertaken in the event of a casual vacancy.

2.2 Scope

This Policy applies to Elected Member vacancies that may arise during the Council Term, in accordance with Section 6 of the Local Government (Elections) Act 1999.

2.3 Strategic Reference

5 Governance and Financial Sustainability

- 5.5 We meet or exceed legislative and accreditation requirements for all relevant programs.

3. PRINCIPLES

- 3.1 In the event of an Elected Member position becoming vacant during the term of the Council, a Supplementary Election will not be held and the position will remain vacant until the next General Election.
- 3.2 In the event that a second Elected Member position becomes vacant during the term of the Council, a supplementary election will be held for both positions, unless the vacancies occur after 1 January 2026.

4. RESPONSIBILITY & REVIEW

4.1 Responsible Officer

Director City Services

4.2 Availability

This policy will be available on Council's website.

4.3 Review

This policy will be reviewed within 12 months of a General Election for Local Government, or as required to meet other obligations.

5. REFERENCES

5.1 Legislation

Local Government (Elections) Act 1999