



2017 NT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

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2017 NT Council elections: Candidates declared

CANDIDATES for the 2017 NT Council elections were declared at NTEC offices in Darwin and Alice Springs today. The declarations were open to the public.

"There were 295 accepted nominations for the 149 vacancies for 58 elections across 16 councils. In 15 wards, candidates were elected unopposed with 43 going to election," NT Electoral Commissioner Iain Loganathan said.

"Alice Springs has the most candidates for Alderman with 19 nominations for eight vacancies. There are two candidates for Mayor in Alice Springs and 15 for Lord Mayor in Darwin.

"Overall, there are 192 male candidates, 101 female candidates and two that did not to state their gender. There are also 33 candidates under the age of 35," he said.

Early voting for the 2017 NT Council elections begins on Monday 14 August and anyone can vote early.

"Early voting is proving a popular option with 38 per cent of electors choosing to vote early for the 2016 Territory election. There are early voting centres in Darwin city, Casuarina, Coolalinga, Katherine, Tennant Creek and Alice Springs. Territorians can still apply for a postal vote if that option is more convenient.

"All election information including early voting locations, postal vote applications and names of candidates running for positions on councils, is on the NTEC website at ntec.nt.gov.au," Mr Loganathan said.

NTEC Darwin declared nominations for:

- Belyuen Community Government Council
- Coomalie Community Government Council
- City of Darwin
- East Arnhem Regional Council
- Katherine Town Council
- Litchfield Council
- Roper Gulf Regional Council
- Tiwi Islands Regional Council
- Victoria Daly Regional Council
- Wagait Shire Council
- West Arnhem Regional Council
- West Daly Regional Council

NTEC Alice Springs declared nominations for:

- Alice Springs Town Council
- Barkly Regional Council
- Central Desert Regional Council
- MacDonnell Regional Council

The **City of Palmerston** is under official management. Territorians enrolled in the City of Palmerston council area do not vote in the 2017 NT Council elections. An election for the City of Palmerston has been gazetted by for 17 March 2018.

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Details of wards/council areas not going to election

Council	Ward/council area NOT going to election	
Barkly Regional Council	Alyawarr	
Central Desert Regional Council	Akityarre	
Coomalie Community Government Council	Batchelor Township	
East Arnhem Regional Council	Gumurr Gattjirrk	Gumurr Marthakal
Litchfield Council	Central	South
MacDonnell Regional Council	Iyarrka	Ijirapinta
Roper Gulf Regional Council	Yunul Mangi	
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	Milikapiti	
Victoria Daly Regional Council	Daguragu	Milngin
West Arnhem Regional Council	Gunbalanya	
West Daly Regional Council	Tyemirri	