

## 2026 Regional Councils By-elections - July

### 30 July 2026

Date	Time	
Thursday 9 July		Nominations open
Monday 13 July	5:00 pm	Electoral roll closes
Wednesday 15 July	12:00 noon	Nominations close
	1:00 pm	Declaration of nominations, draw for position on ballot papers
Monday 20 July		Postal vote mail-out commences
	9:00 am	Mobile voting commences
Friday 24 July	6:00 pm	Overseas postal voting despatches cease
Monday 27 July	8:30 am	Early voting commences
Tuesday 28 July	6:00 pm	All postal voting despatches cease
Wednesday 29 July	4:00 pm	Early voting ceases
<b>Thursday 30 July</b>		<b>Election day</b>
	8:00 am	Election day voting commences
	6:00 pm	Election day voting ceases
		Mobile voting ceases
		Primary counts of ordinary, postal and early votes commence
Tuesday 4 August	9:00 am	Declaration vote verification checks, commence recheck of all counts
Wednesday 12 August	9:00 am	Primary counts of accepted declaration votes, further postal counts
	12:00 noon	Deadline for receipt of postal votes
		Final counts of postal votes commence
		Distribution of preferences
Thursday 13 August	10:00 am	Declaration of the election result
Saturday 29 August		Campaign disclosure period ends
Thursday 8 October		Campaign donation return due