



2017 NT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

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1. Enrol or update NOW

The electoral roll closes at 5:00 pm on Tuesday 25 July. Enrolment currently stands at 137,000 and this is an increase of around 1500 electors from the 2016 Territory election. A vibrant democracy needs its citizens enrolled and voting.

You can **enrol online** at ntec.nt.gov.au and enrolment forms are available at NTEC offices in Darwin and Alice Springs, council offices and any Australia Post outlet.

All enrolment forms MUST be delivered to the NTEC before the close of roll at 5:00 pm on 25 July. Forms can be scanned and emailed to ntec@nt.gov.au or delivered to the NTEC offices in Darwin and Alice Springs.

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Level 3 | TCG Building
80 Mitchell Street

MyVote Central | Alice Springs
Yeperenye Centre
Hartley Street

Watch our television [enrol to vote](#) ad and check out all other radio and television messaging on the [communications, media & advertising](#) link on the 2017 NT Council elections website.

2. Nominations open

Nominations for the 2017 NT Council elections are now open and close at **12:00 noon on Thursday 3 August**. Late nominations are NOT accepted. For further information please watch the [candidate information](#) video.

If you have any questions about the nomination form or process, please contact

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Coomalie, Darwin, Katherine	Sue Whyte	8999 7643	susan.whyte@nt.gov.au
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Barkly, Central Desert	Ty Daniels	8951 5972	tyrone.daniels@nt.gov.au
East Arnhem, Roper Gulf, Tiwi, Victoria Daly, West Arnhem, West Daly	Greg Hibble	8999 7623	greg.hibble@nt.gov.au

Remember: Late nominations will NOT be accepted. All candidates are encouraged to lodge their nomination forms and accompanying photograph well before the deadline of **12:00 noon on Thursday, 3 August 2017**.



3. Election signage

In addition to the requirements outlined in the [election advertising information sheet](#), candidates and political parties should also comply with relevant council by-laws, Power and Water Corporation, and the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics policies, that govern the placing of election signage. For information on council policies and guidelines, go to:

- [City of Darwin](#)
- [Alice Springs Town Council](#)
- [Katherine Town Council](#)

Campaign signage on Power and Water Corporation infrastructure

Power and Water Corporation has a duty of care to the public and its employees to safeguard the health and safety of persons in the vicinity of, or working on, its infrastructure. Consequently, promotional material cannot be placed on Power and Water's assets including power poles, substations, water tanks and water pipes. Any campaign signage found on Power and Water assets will be removed immediately and will be stored by Power and Water and available for collection by candidates. For further information, Power and Water can be contacted on **1800 245 092**.

Campaign signage on Northern Territory Government roads

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL) has specific policies and guidelines about election signage and this information can be found on their website at [election signage](#).

A summary is provided here →

Further DIPL enquiries can be directed to:

Ian Smith, Manager
Operations & Traffic
Department of Infrastructure
Phone: 08 8999 3449
Email: roadsdarwin.ntg.nt.gov.au

Signage by-laws and policies can be found at 'information for candidates' section of the [2017 NT Council elections website](#).

Find out more on the prohibition of canvassing within 10 metres of a voting centre via the [information sheet](#).

Objective

To advise candidates on the current policy for the placement and removal of signs during and after an election.

Policy Principles

1. The placement of election signs on Northern Territory Government road reserves is not to compromise motorist, cyclist and pedestrian safety.
2. The placement of election signs on Northern Territory Government road reserves should not compromise the environmental values of the community.

Requirements

1. Signs can be placed no earlier than 6 weeks prior to an election.
2. Signs are to be removed within seven days after an election,
3. Signs are not to be larger than 1.5m².
4. Signs are not to compromise driver safety. This includes but is not restricted to the following:
 - no signs are to be placed so as to obscure the view of the drivers (driver sight lines to be in accordance with Australian Standards);
 - no signs to be located within 150 metres of an intersection;
 - no signs to be placed on median strips;
 - no signs that can be confused with a traffic control device;
 - no flashing or illuminated signs on road reserves; and
 - no permanent (solid) structures to be placed on road reserves.
5. Candidates placing signs should take into consideration environmental concerns. For example, alternatives to nailing signs onto trees should be found.

Signs in Breach of this Policy

Where signs are in breach of this policy, all efforts will be made to contact the responsible parties as soon as the Department becomes aware of the offending signs. The responsible parties will be asked to remove the signs within a particular timeframe.

If the signs have not been removed within the agreed upon timeframe, Departmental officers will remove the signs and recover costs from the responsible party.

Where the responsible party cannot be contacted, Departmental officers will remove the signs within a period of 48 hours or sooner if signs are compromising the safety of road users. Costs will be recovered from the responsible parties.

4. NTEC at Tennant Creek show

Enrolling, the election and candidate packs were all on the agenda for visitors to the NTEC display at the Tennant Creek show. Chief Minister Michael Gunner and NT Senator Malarndirri McCarthy also popped in to chat with NTEC staff and check out the information provided.

Next show stop, Katherine 21 and 22 July, then Darwin 27, 28, 29 July.

