

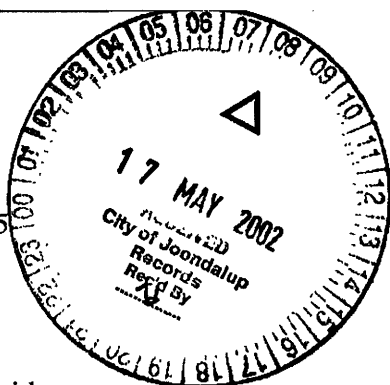
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cc: CEO

Dear Mr Smith

Local Government Postal Elections May 2003

I recently sent copies of a newsletter about postal voting elections to all local governments. The May 2003 elections are less than a year away and operational arrangements have commenced.

I have asked the Department of Local Government and Regional Development to consider a proposal that a local government's decision to hold postal elections should continue until rescinded. The proposal is under consideration. Until the *Local Government Act 1995* is amended, however, the current procedure remains. Each local government has to obtain my agreement and then vote on the matter prior to every election.

To facilitate the process, you can take this letter as my agreement to be responsible for the conduct of the ordinary elections in 2003 for the City of Joondalup in accordance with section 4.20(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

If the City of Joondalup wishes to have the election undertaken by the Western Australian Electoral Commission as a postal election, Council will now need to pass the following two motions by special majority:

1. Declare, in accordance with section 4.20(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Electoral Commissioner to be responsible for the conduct of the May 2003 elections.
2. Decide, in accordance with section 4.61(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, that the method of conducting the election will be as a postal election.

I look forward to working with you once more on these elections.

Yours sincerely

Dr K W Evans
ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER

16 May 2002

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