

NARACOORTE LUCINDALE COUNCIL

COUNCIL POLICY

ELECTED MEMBER – CASUAL VACANCY

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RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Chief Executive Officer
RELEVANT DELEGATIONS:	-
LEGISLATION AND REFERENCES:	<i>Local Government (Elections) Act 1999</i> - Section 6 (Supplementary Elections)

OVERVIEW

This Policy is prepared in order to meet the provisions contained in section 6(2) of the *Local Government (Elections) Act 1999*.

BACKGROUND

Section 6 (2)(b) of the *Local Government (Elections) Act 1999* provides that a supplementary election will not be held to fill a casual vacancy if:

- The vacancy is for an office other than Mayor; and
- The area of the Council is not divided into wards; and
- There is no other vacancy in the office of a member of the Council; and
- It is a policy of the Council that it will not fill such a casual vacancy until the next general election.

PRINCIPLES

As the Naracoorte Lucindale Council is not divided into wards Council resolves that in the event of one casual vacancy for an office other than Mayor, such position will remain vacant until the next general election of the Council, ie: that a supplementary election will not be held to fill that vacancy.

NOTE – In the instance that Council revokes or alters this policy following a casual vacancy the policy will not have effect so as to require the casual vacancy to be filled before the next general election (section 6(4)).

LEGISLATION AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

- Local Government (Elections) Act 1999
- Local Government (Elections) Regulations 2010

ENQUIRIES

All queries about this policy should be directed to the Chief Executive Officer.

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REVIEW & EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed every four years.

AVAILABILITY

The public may inspect a copy of this policy, without charge, at the Council's Naracoorte and Lucindale offices during office hours, and may obtain a copy for a fee fixed by Council.

This policy is also available on Council's website www.naracoortelucindale.sa.gov.au

AMENDMENT HISTORY

<i>Date</i>	<i>Authorised by</i>	<i>Minute Reference</i>
30 November 2022	Council	Policy adopted 100/23
27 November 2018	Council	106/19
25 November 2014	Council	141/15
23 November 2010	Council	Policy reviewed - Resolution 215 / 11
24 th March 2009	Council	Policy reviewed - Resolution 401/09
26 th June 2007	Council	Policy adopted 557/07