

SUPPLEMENTARY ELECTION POLICY

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Responsible Officer	Director Corporate & Community
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Applicable Legislation	Local Government (Elections) Act, section 6. Local Government Act 1999, sections 51-57,86.
Related Documents	Nil
Public Consultation Required	Yes
File Reference	9.63.1.1
Purpose	To implement Council Policy in regard to the calling of a supplementary election.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Local Government (Elections) Act 1999 Part 2, section 6(2) outlines the statutory requirements that the Council will follow in regard to the calling of a supplementary election and setting Council Policy.

2. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for implementing this policy.

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3. OVERVIEW

Council acknowledges that during the four (4) year term of Council, single casual vacancies may occur. This Policy is prepared to meet the statutory supplementary election requirements, under Section 6 (2) of the Local Government (Elections) Act 1999.

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

- (a) The vacancy is for an office other than the Mayor;
- (b) the area of the council does not have wards;
- (c) the council has 9 or more members (excluding the mayor) and there is no more than one other Councilor vacancy;
- (d) the council has a policy at the time the vacancy occurs not to fill a casual vacancy until the next general election; and
- (e) the vacancy is for a councilor which occurs within 12 months after the conclusion of periodic election.

4. POLICY

Port Pirie Regional Council Pursuant to Section 6 (2) of the Local Government (Elections) Act 1999 resolves that in an event of a single vacancy in the office other than Mayor, a supplementary election will **not** be held.

5. REVIEW AND EVALUATION

This Policy will be reviewed by the Council following each Periodic Election or as otherwise determined by the Council.

6. FURTHER INFORMATION

This policy will be available to be downloaded, free of charge, from Councils internet site: www.pirie.sa.gov.au

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