

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2015

### ENROLLING TO VOTE

***You may be eligible to be enrolled to vote in the following in person Local Government Elections to be held on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015 if you live in or are an owner or occupier of rateable land in the district of the Shire of Bruce Rock.***

#### **Residents**

You are automatically enrolled to vote if you are on the State Electoral Roll as at **5.00pm 28th August 2015**. If you are not already on the State Electoral Roll but meet the eligibility criteria for this Roll, a claim for enrolment can be made to any Divisional Returning Officer of the Australian Electoral Commission in Western Australia. Forms are available from all post offices or the Western Australian Electoral Commission and must be completed and reach a Divisional Returning Officer by 5.00pm Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2015.

#### **Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers**

If you are a non-resident owner or occupier of rateable property in the Shire of Bruce Rock and are on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, you are eligible to enrol to vote and should make an enrolment application with the Shire of Bruce Rock.

If you are not on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll and own or occupy rateable property in the Shire of Bruce Rock, you may be eligible to enrol to vote if you were on the Shire of Bruce Rock's last electoral roll prior to May 1997.

Please contact the Shire of Bruce Rock for details. Owners of land who were on the last roll of the Shire of Bruce Rock continue to retain that status until they cease to own the rateable property to which the enrolment relates.

Occupiers do not have continuous enrolment and should contact the Shire of Bruce Rock to confirm their enrolment status. To be eligible to enrol as an occupier, you will need to have a right of continuous occupation under a lease, tenancy

agreement or other legal instrument for at least the next 3 months following the date of the application to enrol.

#### **Joint Owners and Occupiers**

If a rateable property is owned or occupied by more than two people, a majority of the owners/occupiers may nominate two persons from amongst themselves who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

#### **Corporations**

A body corporate that owns or occupies rateable property may nominate two people who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

#### **Enrolment Forms**

Enrolment claim forms can be obtained from the Shire of Bruce Rock or Australian Electoral Commission offices and should be lodged with the Chief Executive Officer by 5.00pm Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2015. If you registered for the 2013 elections or since that time you do not need to register.

Alternatively you can download the application forms from Council's website, [www.brucerock.wa.gov.au](http://www.brucerock.wa.gov.au) under Council and then Elections.

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