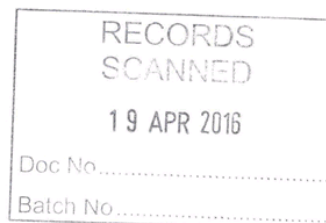




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15 April 2016

General Manager
Mr Paul Hickey
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Dear Mr Hickey,

Local Government and Shires Association of New South Wales – Election of Board of Directors

The purpose of this letter is to provide members of the Local Government and Shires Association of New South Wales (the "Association") with important information about the election of persons to the Board of the Association.

You will recall that the Association asked the Australian Electoral Commission ("AEC") to seek an Election Inquiry immediately after the Board election held at our 2015 Annual Conference, because an error caused a voting irregularity.

On 29 March 2016 the Federal Court of Australia ("Court") made an order declaring that the election of 13 persons on the Board of Directors of Association declared on 16 October 2015 void and each such person not to have been elected. The offices of President and Treasurer were unaffected, and the Court determined that three other directors were not impacted by the irregularity because of the size of their respective primary votes. A copy of the Court's judgement is available at the following link: <http://www.lgnsw.org.au/files/imce-uploads/127/federal-court-judgement-2016.pdf>.

The Fair Work Commission has directed the AEC to conduct a fresh election for the affected positions, and in accordance with the Court's orders the election will be by secret postal ballot. The vacant positions are:

- Vice President (Metropolitan/Urban council)
- Vice President (Regional/Rural council)
- Five (5) Directors (Metropolitan/Urban council)
- Six (6) Directors (Regional/Rural council)

The only candidates eligible for these positions are those who stood for them in 2015. A nomination for election may be withdrawn by a candidate, provided that notice of withdrawal in writing is received by the Returning Officer no later than seven (7) days before the holding of the ballot.

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The AEC's Notice of Election, issued on 15 April 2016, is available at the following link http://www.lgnsw.org.au/files/imce-uploads/79/2016_Election_Notice.pdf.

Allocation of voting delegates

The formula for calculating the number of voting delegates is provided for in Rule 23 of the Association's Rules.

The number of voters that each Ordinary member is entitled to is set out in the table at Annexure A.

Eligibility requirements to be a voting delegate

Voting delegates must be a Councillor of a Council which is an Ordinary Member of the Association, or, in the case of the NSW Aboriginal Land Council, a member of its Board – see rule 37(a) of the Association's rules.

An Administrator of a Council that is an Ordinary member, shall not be eligible for nomination or election as a member of the Board nor be entitled to vote in any such election – see rule 37(b) of the Association's rules.

How to nominate voting delegates

Each Ordinary member must nominate its voting delegate(s) for the postal ballot by **12:00 noon on Thursday 2 June 2016**. No changes to voting delegates will be accepted after this time.

Nominations must include the full name and postal address (including street address or PO Box number, suburb, state and postcode) for each voting delegate and indicate whether the address for each voting delegate is a workplace address.

Nominations are to be made online using the nomination form at the following link: <https://lgsa.wufoo.com/forms/m1ro2ek01d8ed36/>

Important note: Only one nomination form may be completed for each Ordinary member. It is important that you have all of the required information (full names and postal addresses for each nominated voting delegate) before completing the form.

Questions on voting delegates should be directed to Adam Dansie, Senior Manager – Industrial Relations on (02) 9242 4142.

Yours sincerely



Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM
President



Annexure A for 2016 Board Elections

Ordinary members' voting delegations for the 2016 election to vacant positions on the Board of Directors of the Association.

Ordinary member	Number of voters for voting in the election of Board of Directors
Aboriginal Land Council	9
Albury City Council (R/R)	4
Armidale Dumaresq Council (R/R)	3
The Council of the Municipality of Ashfield (M/U)	4
Auburn City Council (M/U)	5
Ballina Shire Council (R/R)	3
Balranald Shire Council (R/R)	1
Bankstown City Council (M/U)	10
Bathurst Regional Council (R/R)	3
Bega Valley Shire Council (R/R)	3
Bellingen Shire Council (R/R)	2
Berrigan Shire Council (R/R)	1
Blacktown City Council (M/U)	12
Bland Shire Council (R/R)	1
Blayney Shire Council (R/R)	1
Blue Mountains City Council (R/R)	4
Bogan Shire Council (R/R)	1
Bombala Council (R/R)	1
Boorowa Council (R/R)	1
The Council of the City of Botany Bay (M/U)	4
Bourke Shire Council (R/R)	1
Brewarrina Shire Council (R/R)	1
Broken Hill City Council (R/R)	2
Burwood Council (M/U)	4
Byron Shire Council (R/R)	3
Cabonne Shire Council (R/R)	2
Camden Council (M/U)	5
Campbelltown City Council (M/U)	9
City of Canada Bay Council (M/U)	5
Canterbury City Council (M/U)	7
Carrathool Shire Council (R/R)	1
Central Darling Shire Council (R/R)	1**
Cessnock City Council	4
Clarence Valley Council (R/R)	4
Cobar Shire Council (R/R)	1
Coffs Harbour City Council (R/R)	4
Conargo Shire Council (R/R)	1

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Ordinary member	Number of voters for voting in the election of Board of Directors
Coolamon Shire Council (R/R)	1
Cooma-Monaro Shire Council (R/R)	2
Coonamble Shire Council (R/R)	1
Cootamundra Shire Council (R/R)	1
Corowa Shire Council (R/R)	2
Cowra Shire Council (R/R)	2
Deniliquin Council (R/R)	1
Dubbo City Council (R/R)	3
Dungog Shire Council (R/R)	1
Eurobodalla Shire Council (R/R)	3
Fairfield City Council (M/U)	10
Forbes Shire Council (R/R)	1
Gilgandra Shire Council (R/R)	1
Glen Innes Severn Council (R/R)	1
Gloucester Shire Council (R/R)	1
Gosford City Council (R/R)	7
Goulburn Mulwaree Council (R/R)	3
Great Lakes Council (R/R)	3
Greater Hume Shire Council (R/R)	2
Greater Taree City Council (R/R)	3
Griffith City Council (R/R)	3
Gundagai Shire Council (R/R)	1
Gunnedah Shire Council (R/R)	2
Guyra Shire Council (R/R)	1
Gwydir Shire Council (R/R)	1
Harden Shire Council (R/R)	1
Hawkesbury City Council (M/U)	5
Hay Shire Council (R/R)	1
Holroyd City Council (M/U)	7
The Council of the Shire of Hornsby (M/U)	9
The Council of the Municipality of Hunters Hill (M/U)	2
Hurstville City Council (R/R)	5
Inverell Shire Council (R/R)	2
Jerilderie Shire Council (R/R)	1
Junee Shire Council (R/R)	1
Kempsey Shire Council (R/R)	3
The Council of the Municipality of Kiama (R/R)	3
Kogarah City Council (M/U)	5
Ku-ring-gai Council (M/U)	7
Kyogle Council (R/R)	1
Lachlan Shire Council (R/R)	1

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Ordinary member	Number of voters for voting in the election of Board of Directors
Lake Macquarie City Council (R/R)	7
Lane Cove Municipal Council (M/U)	3
Leeton Shire Council (R/R)	2
Leichhardt Municipal Council (M/U)	5
Lismore City Council (R/R)	3
City of Lithgow Council (R/R)	3
Liverpool City Council (M/U)	10
Liverpool Plains Shire Council (R/R)	1
Lockhart Shire Council (R/R)	1
Maitland City Council (R/R)	4
Manly Council (M/U)	4
Marrickville Council (M/U)	5
Mid-Western Regional Council (R/R)	3
Moree Plains Shire Council (R/R)	2
Mosman Municipal Council (M/U)	3
Murray Shire Council (R/R)	1
Murrumbidgee Shire Council (R/R)	1
Muswellbrook Shire Council (R/R)	2
Nambucca Shire Council (R/R)	2
Narrabri Shire Council (R/R)	2
Narrandera Shire Council (R/R)	1
Narromine Shire Council (R/R)	1
Newcastle City Council (R/R)	7
North Sydney Council (M/U)	5
Oberon Council (R/R)	1
Orange City Council (R/R)	3
Palerang Council (R/R)	2
Parkes Shire Council (R/R)	2
Parramatta City Council (M/U)	10
Penrith City Council (M/U)	10
Pittwater Council (M/U)	5
Port Macquarie-Hastings Council (R/R)	4
Port Stephens Council (R/R)	4
Queanbeyan City Council (R/R)	3
Randwick City Council (M/U)	7
Richmond Valley Council (R/R)	3
Rockdale City Council (M/U)	7
Ryde City Council (M/U)	7
Shellharbour City Council (R/R)	4
Shoalhaven City Council (R/R)	4
Singleton Council (R/R)	3

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Snowy River Shire Council (R/R)	1
Strathfield Municipal Council (M/U)	4
Sutherland Shire Council (M/U)	10
Council of the City of Sydney (M/U)	10
Tamworth Regional Council (R/R)	4
Temora Shire Council (R/R)	1
Tenterfield Shire Council (R/R)	1
The Hills Shire Council (M/U)	10
Tumbarumba Shire Council (R/R)	1
Tumut Shire Council	2
Tweed Shire Council (R/R)	4
Upper Hunter Shire Council (R/R)	2
Upper Lachlan Shire Council (R/R)	1
Uralla Shire Council (R/R)	1
Urana Shire Council (R/R)	1
Wagga Wagga City Council (R/R)	4
The Council of the Shire of Wakool (R/R)	1
Walcha Council (R/R)	1
Walgett Shire Council (R/R)	1
Warren Shire Council (R/R)	1
Warringah Council (M/U)	9
Warrumbungle Shire Council (R/R)	1
Waverley Council (M/U)	5
Weddin Shire Council (R/R)	1
Wellington Council (R/R)	1
Wentworth Shire Council (R/R)	1
Willoughby City Council (M/U)	5
Wingecarribee Shire Council (R/R)	3
Wollondilly Shire Council (R/R)	3
Wollongong City Council (R/R)	7
Woollahra Municipal Council (M/U)	5
Wyong Shire Council (R/R)	7
Yass Valley Council (R/R)	2
Young Shire Council (R/R)	2

Notes:

(R/R) – Rural / Regional

(M/U) – Metropolitan / Urban

** – Council is under administration