**wujal wujal aboriginal shire council**

NOTICE

COUNCILLOR VACANCY

The Chief Executive Officer of the Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council, Ms Eileen Deemal-Hall, in accordance with Section 166 of the Local Government Act 2009 (Qld), invites nominations for the position of Councillor of the Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council Local Government Area, which is to be filled until the next quadrennial local government elections on 28 March 2020.

The successful person will be appointed by resolution of the Council as required by the Local Government Act 2009 (Qld) after the close of the nomination period. Nominations will close at 4.00 pm on Monday 5 August 2019

A nomination form and further information in relation to the qualification requirements to be a councillor can be obtained by contacting the Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council on 40839100, by email to eileen@wujal.qld.gov.au or on the Council website at [www.wujalwujalcouncil.qld.gov.au](http://www.wujalwujalcouncil.qld.gov.au)

Eileen Deemal-Hall
Chief Executive Officer
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council

11 July 2019

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

Interested persons must meet qualifications to be a councillor in accordance with Section 152 of the Local Government Act 2009 which states:

“A person is qualified to be a councillor of a local government only if the person –

(a)        is an adult Australian citizen; and

(b)        resides in the local government’s area; and

(c)        is enrolled on an electoral roll kept under the Electoral Act, section 58; and

(d)        is not disqualified from being a councillor because of a section in this division.”

Section 153 of the Local Government Act 2009 states:

1. A person cannot be a councillor—
	* after the person is convicted of a treason offence, unless the person is pardoned of the treason offence; or
	* for 10 years after the person is convicted of an electoral offence; or
	* for 7 years after the person is convicted of a serious integrity offence; or
	* for 4 years after the person is convicted of an integrity offence; or
	* for the remainder of the term before the next quadrennial elections, if the person has been dismissed as a councillor under section 122 or 123.
2. A treason offence is an offence of treason, sedition or sabotage under the law of Queensland, another State or the Commonwealth.
3. An electoral offence is—
	* a disqualifying electoral offence under the Electoral Act; or
	* an offence that would be a disqualifying electoral offence had the conviction been recorded after the commencement of the Electoral and Other Acts Amendment Act 2002.
4. A serious integrity offence is an offence against—
	* a provision of a law mentioned in schedule 1, part 1 if, for a circumstance stated for the offence (if any), the stated circumstance applies to the offence; or
	* a provision of a law of another State or the Commonwealth that corresponds to a provision mentioned in paragraph (a).
5. An integrity offence is an offence against a provision of a law mentioned in schedule 1, part 2 if, for a circumstance stated for the offence (if any), the stated circumstance applies to the offence.
6. A person automatically stops being a councillor when the person is convicted of any of the following offences (each a disqualifying offence)—
	* a treason offence; or
	* an electoral offence; or
	* a serious integrity offence; or
	* an integrity offence.
7. A person is taken to have been convicted of an offence—
	* if the person appeals the conviction—when the appeal is dismissed, struck out or discontinued; or
	* if the person does not appeal the conviction—at the end of the time within which an appeal must by law be started.

Section 156 of the Local Government Act 2009 states:

1. A person cannot be a councillor while the person is a bankrupt.
2. A person is a bankrupt if, under a bankruptcy law—
	* the person is an undischarged bankrupt; or
	* the person has executed a deed of arrangement, and the terms of the deed have not been fully complied with; or
	* the person’s creditors have accepted a composition, and a final payment has not been made under the composition.
3. A bankruptcy law is—
	* the Bankruptcy Act 1966 (Cwlth); or
	* a corresponding law of another jurisdiction, including a jurisdiction outside Australia.
4. A person automatically stops being a councillor when the person becomes a bankrupt.

Nominations must be submitted on the proposed Nomination Form, which is available at Council’s Administration office or by clicking the link below.

[Councillor Nomination Form](https://www.croydon.qld.gov.au/downloads/file/693/nomination-form-vacancy-councillor)

Nominations must be received by the due date of 4pm on Monday 5 August 2019 and addressed to:

Chief Executive Officer
Wujal Wujal Shire Council
Wujal Wujal Qld 4871

Or electronically via email to eileen@wujal.qld.gov.au

For more information on the nomination process, please contact Ms Eileen Deemal-Hall, Chief Executive Officer on (07) 40839100 or by email at eileen@wujal.qld.gov.au