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CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

Lyttelton Community Subdivision for the Banks Peninsula Community Board by-election

16 May 2018

Introduction

This by-election covers the extraordinary vacancy for one member of the Lyttelton Community Subdivision of the Banks Peninsula Community Board. The extraordinary vacancy has arisen from the recent resignation of Christine Wilson.

The by-election will be held on Wednesday 16 May 2018. It will be conducted by postal vote using the First Past the Post voting electoral system, under the provisions of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and Local Electoral Regulations 2001.

The Electoral Officer for this by-election is Jo Daly at the Christchurch City Council. Jo can be contacted by: phone 03 941 8581 or 027 236 9052 or email jo.daly@ccc.govt.nz

A full candidate information booklet was produced for the 2016 local body elections. Detailed information for candidates is included in this booklet along with information about campaigning requirements and election offences. This information booklet is available online at ccc.govt.nz/elections or on request from the Electoral Officer.

By-election timetable

Tuesday 20 February	Public notice of by-election Nominations open Preliminary electoral roll open for inspection
Tuesday 20 March	Nominations close (12noon) Preliminary electoral roll closes
from Thursday 22 March	Public notice of day of by-election and candidate names
Tuesday 24 April	Delivery of voting documents commences Progressive roll scrutiny Early processing period starts Special voting period starts
Tuesday 15 May	Last day to appoint scrutineers (12noon)
Wednesday 16 May	Election day Voting closes 12noon Preliminary results available as soon as practical
from Saturday 19 May	Public Notice of Declaration
by Friday 13 July	Return of electoral expense forms

Candidate eligibility

Full eligibility criteria for this by-election are detailed on the reverse of the nomination form and the candidate information booklet. Candidates do not need to reside within the Lyttelton Community Subdivision of the Banks Peninsula ward, but must be a New Zealand Citizen and enrolled as a parliamentary elector in New Zealand. They must also be nominated by two electors who are enrolled as electors of the Lyttelton Community Subdivision.

Candidate Profile Statements

The Local Electoral Act allows for candidate profile statements (CPS) to be provided by each candidate with the nomination paper. If an election is required these are then collated by the Electoral Officer and forwarded to the electors in a booklet or sheet with the voting papers. Refer also to the notes on this in the 2016 candidate information booklet.

Candidate profile statements are limited to 150 words and should be provided electronically by email or on a media device as a word document.

Candidate profile statements are governed by the Local Electoral Act 2001, sections 61 and 62. Candidate profiles must be provided at the same time as the nomination document and should also be provided electronically.

Candidate Photos

Candidates may also submit a high resolution photograph for inclusion with the candidate profile statement in the sheet to accompany the voting papers. Photos must be recent (taken within the last six months), be submitted in JPEG format and provided by email, pen drive or hard copy at the same time as the candidate profile statement and nomination paper.

Campaigning

Full details on the limitations associated with campaigning for this by-election are listed in the information booklet. All candidates should refer to this booklet to familiarise themselves with those restrictions. The following is a summary of the main criteria to be aware of:

- Campaigning can commence anytime but must cease by midnight on Tuesday 15 May 2018.
- No election material can contain any untrue statement defamatory of any candidate and calculated to influence the vote of any elector or include an imitation voting paper which has the names of the candidates with any direction or indication as to the candidate a person should vote for, or in any way contain such direction or indication likely to influence the voter.

Election Advertising

Election advertising using any media must identify the persons under whose authority they have been produced, as per sections 113 to 115 of the Local Electoral Act 2001.

All candidate hoardings, posters, advertisements and social media etc must include a sentence at the bottom saying that it is authorised by the candidate (or their agent), for example *“Authorised by Bill Citizen, 20 Main Street, Sampletown”*. Please note that the address provided must be a physical address, not a PO Box or rural delivery.

Election Hoardings

Details on the election signage requirements are listed in the candidate information booklet. All hoardings or signage erected must have permission of the property owner and no hoardings or signage may be placed on Council land.

Campaigning Expenditure Limits

At the end of the election period all candidates are required to submit to the Electoral Officer a summary of donations received and expenditure made on campaigning for the by-election. A form for this is available at ccc.govt.nz/elections

For this by-election total election expenses must not exceed \$3,500 (inclusive of GST) per candidate.

Lodgement of Nomination forms

Completed nomination forms for this by-election must be lodged with the Electoral Officer, Jo Daly at the Christchurch Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street, Christchurch **on or before 12noon on Tuesday 20 March**. Along with the nomination form the candidate:

- must pay a \$200 (incl GST) election deposit
- may submit a candidate profile statement of up to 150 words
- may submit a photo to be used for this by-election.

It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure all information is received by this time.