



Local Government Association
of South Australia

MAKE A DIFFERENCE- NOMINATE FOR COUNCIL

Saturday 18th August
10am-1pm
Conference room
Gawler Administration Centre
43 High Street, Gawler East

If you are keen to make a difference in your community and have a say in local decision-making, stand for election as a local government elected member

9:30am REGISTRATIONS OPEN

10:00am Welcome & local government overview (15 min)

Facilitator: Rowena McLean , Sector Development Director, Local Government Association

10:15am The role and function of elected members (30 min)

Speaker: Rowena McLean , Sector Development Director, Local Government Association

The role of elected members is specified within the *Local Government Act 1999*. Elected members provide community leadership and guidance and play a very important policy-making role. They represent the interests and needs of their communities and facilitate communication between community and council. In this session Rowena will explore ways to develop the skills and attributes required for success in this role.

10:45am The practicalities - about the local government elections (45 min)

Speaker: Leeanne Redpath, Senior Electoral Officer, ECSA

This session will deliver need-to-know information about:

- the nomination procedure
- candidate profile requirements
- information about the draw for position of a candidate's name on a ballot paper.
- voting material mail-out
- return, scrutiny and counting procedures (including how scrutineers are appointed)
- illegal practices and repercussions

11:30am MORNING TEA (15 min)

11.45am Working together - CEO's and elected members - what does it take? (30 min)

Speakers: Henry Inat, CEO, Town of Gawler

This session will overview the importance of establishing and maintaining a good working relationship between elected members, CEO's and council staff.

12:15pm Effective campaigning (30 min)

Speaker: David Parkin, Mayor, City of Burnside

In this session David will examine important aspects of running a successful election campaign. Aspects include:

- showcasing your personal style
- tips on building strong support networks
- time and budget commitments

12:45am Session debrief (15 min)

Facilitator: Rowena McLean ,Sector Development Director, Local Government Association

1:00pm LUNCH

Town of Gawler Candidates Session

2:00pm Introduction

Speaker: Henry Inat, Chief Executive Officer, Town of Gawler

2:05pm What's happening at the Town of Gawler?

During this session, participants will hear from the Manager's at Town of Gawler who will provide overviews on the main functions in their specific areas and information about what is currently happening at Town of Gawler.

3:00pm Close