Northern Grampians Shire Council, Kara Kara Ward by-election

Your council, your vote

You must be enrolled to vote

A by-election for Kara Kara Ward within Northern Grampians Shire Council will be held in November 2022. To be able to vote in the by-election, you must be enrolled by the close of roll at 4 pm on Friday 9 September 2022. Two categories of voters can be enrolled to vote in the Northern Grampians Shire Council bu-election: State-enrolled voters and Council-enrolled voters.

State-enrolled voters

Am I enrolled to vote?

You are automatically enrolled for this by-election if:

- you will be 18 years of age or over on Saturday 5 November 2022 AND
- you live in Kara Kara Ward AND
- you are on the State electoral roll for your current address.

You need to enrol if:

- you are an Australian citizen aged 18 or over on Saturday 5 November 2022 AND
- you live in Kara Kara Ward and you are not on the State electoral roll OR
- you have lived at your current residential address within Kara Kara Ward for at least a month and have not yet updated your enrolment details, including any changes to your postal address.

How do I enrol?

You can enrol online at vec.vic.gov.au

You can also download an enrolment form from the website. All enrolment applications must be received by the Victorian Electoral Commission by the close of roll at 4 pm on Friday 9 September 2022.

How can I check my State enrolment?

You can check your enrolment details online at vec.vic.gov.au at any time, or call 1300 805 478.

Council-enrolled voters

Am I enrolled to vote?

To be a Council-enrolled voter, you must be:

- 18 years of age or over on Saturday 5 November 2022 AND
- not a State-enrolled voter within Kara Kara Ward.

You are automatically enrolled for this by-election if you were enrolled as a non-resident owner at the most recent election for Kara Kara Ward.

If your circumstances have changed since the most recent election and you are no longer a non-resident owner of that property, you will not be automatically enrolled for this by-election. Depending on your circumstances, you may still be eligible to apply to be enrolled as a Council-enrolled voter.

Who else can enrol & vote?

You may also apply to enrol if:

- you have purchased a rateable property in Kara Kara Ward since the last election and you are not automatically enrolled **OR**
- you are not an Australian citizen and you live in, and pay rates for, a property within Kara Kara Ward OR
- you pay rates on a property you occupy in Kara Kara Ward and have no other voting entitlement within Northern Grampians Shire, for example you are a shop tenant and pay rates to the Council for the tenancy, and you have no other voting entitlement within Northern Grampians Shire OR

 you are a director or company secretary of a corporation within Kara Kara Ward that pays rates to Northern Grampians Shire Council and you have no other voting entitlement within Northern Grampians Shire.

How do I apply to be a Council-enrolled voter?

If you meet any of the above-mentioned criteria and wish to enrol, contact Northern Grampians Shire Council on (03) 5358 8710 for a council enrolment form. Council enrolment forms must be received by the Council by the close of roll at 4 pm on Friday 9 September 2022.

How can I check if I am Council-enrolled?

You can check your enrolment details by contacting the Council on (03) 5358 8710.

Thinking about standing for election?

To nominate as a candidate for Northern Grampians Shire Council, you must:

- be an Australian citizen and enrolled on the voters' roll for Northern Grampians Shire Council AND
- be eligible to become a councillor should you be elected AND
- have completed the mandatory candidate training before lodging your nomination with the Election Manager.

For further information, visit vec.vic.gov.au

Enrolment closes

4 pm Friday 9 September 2022

State-enrolled voters can register for free VoterAlert SMS and email reminders at vec.vic.gov.au



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