

Pre-election Public Candidate Information Sessions

With less than 12 months before the 2024 Local Government Elections take place on 14 September next year, Central Coast Council is preparing for the return of elected councillors.

Between now and June 2024, Council will host a series of pre-election public candidate information sessions for any community member who may be interested in becoming a councillor.

These sessions will be hosted by experts who will provide information and insights into the democratic process. These sessions are for information gathering only and do not commit you to running for election.

What:

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When:

Wednesday 18 October

Where:

The session will be held in the Function Room on the ground level of the Wyong Administration Building at 2 Hely Street Wyong

Time:

5:30pm for a 6:00pm start. Registration is encouraged and refreshments will be available. Register for the Candidate Information Session [here](#).

Frequently Asked Questions

What topics will be covered at this information session?

The first session is an opportunity to hear presentations from experts in local government and will cover topics including the legal provisions of Council, the roles of the Mayor, CEO, councillors and the elected governing body. Presentations will be followed by an open Q&A session for the community to ask questions of the expert panel.

Will there be additional sessions?

Yes.

There are two more sessions planned for March and June 2024 where the role of councillors and process of running for election will be discussed in greater detail. Once confirmed, final dates and times will be announced on Council's website and social media channels.

Who is the ideal candidate for Council?

If you have a strong sense of community and are keen to make a difference in your community, then you should consider becoming a councillor. You don't need any formal qualifications and you will receive benefits including training, support, equipment, expenses, fees and superannuation if you are elected. People from all walks of life are encouraged to stand for their community to increase diversity in local government. This includes increasing the number of women, younger people, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents, members of multicultural communities and members of LGBTQIA+ communities on our local council.

Where can I find out further information?

Further information about the upcoming Local Government Election can be found on Council's website. Search 'election' on centralcoast.nsw.gov.au