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# MEDIA RELEASE

## WILLAGEE BY-ELECTION SET FOR SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

The Writ from the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly directing the Western Australian Electoral Commissioner to proceed with a by-election in the District of Willagee was received today.

Polling Day was designated as Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November.

Candidate nominations for the by-election will open tomorrow, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October, and close a week later on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

The Electoral Roll for the by-election will also close on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 6.00pm.

Other key dates include:

- Applications for early votes by post open today, 14<sup>th</sup> October, and close at 6.00pm on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November
- Early voting by post commences Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November
- Early voting in person commences Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November and closes Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

Commenting today WA Electoral Commissioner Warwick Gately said that the Commission was well prepared to conduct the by-election.

“Given that the Commission has in recent months successfully conducted a State general election and the Daylight Saving Referendum, and is now in the final stages of the WA local government elections, it is well placed to successfully shift its focus and processes to the conduct of the Willagee by-election,” he said.

“With the rolls closing at 6.00pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October I would urge all eligible citizens in the District of Willagee who are 18 or over to ensure they are enrolled to vote and that their enrolment details are in order.

“To make their vote count they must move quickly to ensure they’re correctly enrolled, especially those who have recently moved house or turned 18.

“Voters can check their enrolment details on the WAEC website at [www.waec.wa.gov.au](http://www.waec.wa.gov.au) or by calling our information line on 13 63 06.

“It is important too that coming out of the local government elections, electors in Willagee are aware that voting in the by-election is compulsory.”

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