



MEDIA RELEASE

AGRICULTURAL REGION VACANCY FILLED

Mr Brian Ellis of the Liberal Party has been elected to fill the vacancy in the Agricultural Region of the Legislative Council following the resignation of Margaret-Anne Rowe.

Western Australian Electoral Commissioner, Mr Warwick Gately, declared Mr Brian Ellis elected following the close of nominations at noon today and the subsequent recount of the votes on the ballot papers from the 2005 State general election.

“At the close of nominations I had received seven nominations from qualified persons who were candidates for the Agricultural Region at the 2005 State general election,” Mr Gately said.

He said a recount of the 84,331 votes was conducted electronically in accordance with section 156D(4) of the *Electoral Act 1907*.

Nominations were received from:

Lachlan Dunjey	Christian Democratic Party WA
Brian Ellis	Liberal
Dee Margetts	Greens (WA)
Frank Hough	New Country Party
Colin Nicholl	New Country Party
Wendy Duncan	THE NATIONALS
Roy Duncanson	Independent

“Mr Brian Ellis was declared to be elected as the member of the Legislative Council to fill the vacancy in the Agricultural Region,” Mr Gately said.

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Authorised by the Electoral Commissioner.

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