

LOCAL GOVERNMENT VOTING PACKS ON THEIR WAY

The WA Electoral Commission has commenced distribution of a record number of postal voting packages for the upcoming local government elections.

WA Electoral Commissioner David Kerslake said that voting packages for most country councils have now been despatched and should reach electors in the next few days. The Commission has also begun distributing ballot material to electors in Perth metropolitan districts.

"With over 1.5 million packages in total, it will take several more days for them all to be delivered", Mr Kerslake said.

He urged electors to make sure they have their say on who will represent them on their local council.

"We already have a record number of candidates. We hope to see that level of interest flow through to the number of votes recorded", Mr Kerslake said.

Mr Kerslake reminded electors that ballot papers must be received by Saturday 21 October and to make sure they sign the certificate on their ballot paper envelope.

"When ballot material is returned we will detach the certificates from each envelope to preserve the secrecy of every vote", he said.

Elector enquiries may be directed to the Commission's Call Centre on 1300 661 136 or to the Commission's website www.waec.wa.gov.au

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