Church Council Election 2021

A ballot for election of Church Councillors will be held on **Sunday 28 March, 2021.** There will be nine positions to fill.

A single purpose congregation meeting is called for that day, encompassing all the services of worship, to enable persons attending any of the worship services to vote.

This is to ensure the maximum possible participation by our congregation.

The Uniting Church in Australia regulations indicate that a vote can only be held at a Congregational Meeting and that absentee and postal voting is not permitted.

Ballot papers will ONLY be handed out at those services. They will not be available at other times during the day.

Nominees receiving the support of a majority of those participating in the ballot will be declared to be elected.

In accordance with the congregational decision of July 2013, all Church Councillors will be elected as Elders as well as Councillors.

Nomination Forms

These will be available on **Sunday 14 February 2021** and at any time after that date from the office or office counter **until Sunday 7 March 2021** when nominations will close. Everyone in the congregation is encouraged to carefully consider accepting nomination and to make nominations.

Each nomination requires:-

- a Proposer and Seconder
- a Nominee
- signatures of Proposer, Seconder and Nominee
- the Nominee is requested to provide some personal information to

Nominations close on Sunday 7 March, 2021.

The nomination forms may be returned to the Church Office until the end of that date.

Candidates can obtain from the office a copy of the duties of a Church Councillor as recorded in the Uniting Church in Australia regulations, or by accessing the Uniting Church in Australia web site, or by talking to any Church Council member. This is also available via http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/ExpectationsOfCouncilMembers Information about what the Church Council does is available at: http://wiki.gwuc.org.au/gwuc/ExpectationsOfCouncilMembers

Nominations

Nominations will be announced by 14 March, 2021.

Retiring Councillors

The following councillors have completed their term of appointment, and are all eligible for re-nomination (although some may not wish to renominate).

• Ryan Chan, Alison Clarkson, Anne Cook, Glyn Howells, Wendy Pepper

Election Result

The successful candidates will be announced during the week following the election.

Any questions relating to the voting procedures can be directed to John Snare or the Church Office.