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**Subject:** Local Government Extraordinary Elections - Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale  
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Dear Paul,

At the conclusion of the 2023 Local Government Elections, a councillor from the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale North Ward (which did not go to election) was elected Shire President, creating a vacancy in the North Ward.

This means **an extraordinary election needs to be conducted** in the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale to fill this vacancy.

The earliest date the WA Electoral Commission (WAEC) can conduct an extraordinary election for the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale is **Friday 1 March 2024**. Alternatively, the WAEC can be engaged to conduct an extraordinary election on an alternative date after 1 March 2024.

Below are the key dates to consider for a 1 March 2024 election:

| Election date              | Last day for election to be declared by EC | Roll close | Nominations open | Nominations close |
|----------------------------|--|------------|------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Friday 1 March 2024</b> | Tues 12 Dec 2023                           | 4 Jan 2024 | 10 Jan 2024      | 17 Jan 2024       |

WAEC invites you to advise if you want WAEC to conduct the extraordinary election or if Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale will conduct the election itself.

#### WAEC to conduct election

Please can you advise **by mid-November** if Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale would like to engage WAEC to conduct an extraordinary election on or after 1 March 2024. If you have a preferred date (1 March or beyond), please let us know. This will assist us in providing the cost estimate and for planning purposes.

Once confirmed, WAEC will contact you formally. For the avoidance of doubt, this letter does **not** constitute my written agreement to be responsible for the conduct of your local government election.

#### LG to conduct election

If you would prefer to conduct the extraordinary election in-house (i.e. run your own election), can you also please inform the WAEC of your decision in writing by mid-November 2023, WAEC will then provide you with additional information to assist you conduct your own election.

Kind regards,

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