

**Voter and Polling Services Notice**  
**2026 CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**COUNCILLOR BY-ELECTION**  
**SATURDAY 16 MAY 2026**



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The Central Highlands Regional Council councillor by-election will be held on Saturday, 16 May 2026.

Polling booths will be open on election day from 8am to 6pm. **Voting is compulsory.**

### **Candidates**

Candidate nominations for the by-election have now closed. The names of all candidates properly nominated for election in ballot paper order are:

- PHILLOT, Amanda
- DALTON, Bronwyn
- SHAW, Edward
- WILSON, Christine
- HEISKARI, Sharyn Leigh

### **Voting services**

The following voting services are available for the Central Highlands Regional Council councillor by-election:

- **Election day voting from 8am to 6pm on Saturday, 16 May 2026**  
Polling booth locations are available on the ECQ website or by calling 1300 881 665.
- **Early voting (pre-poll) between Tuesday, 5 May 2026 and Friday, 15 May 2026**  
Early voting locations and opening hours are available on the ECQ website or by calling 1300 881 665.
- **Postal voting applications close 7pm on Monday, 4 May 2026**  
Applications are available on the ECQ website or by calling 1300 881 665.
- **Declared institution voting between Tuesday, 5 May and Saturday, 16 May 2026**  
Mobile polling is available for eligible voters within registered institutions (such as aged care facilities). Information will be published on the ECQ website or phone 1300 881 665.

**This notice is issued under sections 35, 48, 50 and 79 of the *Local Government Electoral Act 2011*, on Thursday, 23 April 2026.**

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