

Decision on Electronically Assisted Voting for the 2021 Rockhampton Regional Council Division 3 By-election

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Approval



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Electoral Commissioner

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Decision

To facilitate the conduct of the 2021 Rockhampton Regional Council Division 3 councillor by-election to be held on 13 March 2021, this document advises of the unavailability of electronically assisted voting services (telephone voting) in accordance with section 75D of the *Local Government Electoral Act 2011*.

The Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ) often facilitates telephone voting under section 67(1)(d) of the *Local Government Electoral Act*. However, for the 2021 Rockhampton Regional Council Division 3 councillor by-election, the ECQ has determined that the telephone voting service will not be provided.

The ECQ is satisfied that due to the number of voting services available, the most efficient and accessible voting services for the community will be to provide in-person early voting for a two-week period, election day voting and postal voting. These services will be provided to enrolled electors to facilitate their participation in the by-election to be held on Saturday, 13 March 2021.

Effective

This decision has effect for the 2021 Rockhampton Regional Council Division 3 councillor by-election and remains in place until the close of voting for the by-election on Saturday, 13 March 2021.