Apply now to vote by post

Postal vote applications are open for voters who are unable to vote in person at the Central Darling Shire Council election on Saturday, 20 September. You must meet eligibility criteria to apply.

Applications close at 5pm, Monday 15 September. Voters should apply now on the NSW Electoral Commission website to ensure they receive their postal vote as soon as possible.

Apply at: elections.nsw.gov.au

Postal vote packs will be sent out from Monday, 25 August 2025.

Candidate helpdesk

The NSW Electoral Commission provides a helpdesk specifically for candidates who have questions about nominating as a candidate or the election process. This helpdesk will be particularly useful for those candidates who live some distance from the Returning Officer's office in Wilcannia. Anyone who intends to become a candidate is encouraged to call the Electoral Commission with any questions they might have. The candidate helpdesk operates Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm. Phone 1300 022 011 or email candidates@elections.nsw.gov.au

Telephone assisted voting

Telephone assisted voting will be available to electors who are blind or have low vision. Electors who are eligible to apply and vote should contact the Electoral Commission. Applications for telephone assisted voting close at 6pm on Friday, 19 September.

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Website Information

The NSW Electoral Commission website will be updated progressively with information about key election dates, becoming a candidate, funding and disclosure obligations, voting options, voting locations, vote counting and election results.

Visit: elections.nsw.gov.au

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Work with us

Expressions of interest are now open to work at the 2025 Central Darling Shire Council election on Saturday, 20 September. No experience needed, all roles are paid positions.

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Candidate information webinars

A series of webinars have been published on the Electoral Commission website for election participants for the 2025 Central Darling Shire Council election. Anyone interested in becoming a candidate is encouraged to view the recordings before nominating. The webinars are linked by topic: Key dates, Enrolment, Electoral funding and disclosure, Nominations and ballot paper draw, Electoral material, Voting options, Candidate workers, Scrutineers, Counting and results, Allegations, offences, and feedback

Watch the **Candidate Information Webinars**

for the 2025 Central Darling Shire Council election here:





A NSW Government message

Being a voice for the Central Darling community

Are you passionate about Central Darling Shire and want to make a difference?

Your everyday skills can help you become a great councillor. No formal qualifications are needed. Successful councillors are ethical, open, and honest.

You will need to be:

- Keen to learn
- Good at communicating and considering different views
- · Organised with good time management
- · Skilled in problem-solving, and
- A team player.

What support will you receive?

If elected, you'll receive all the support you need to help you succeed including a culturally safe space to grow and learn, relevant training, and an allowance.

Why should you stand for election?

Central Darling Shire Council plays a vital role in your community, and councillors' decisions affect your daily life. This September, the NSW Government is calling on people from all backgrounds to stand for election. Diversity in council ensures better decision-making and delivery of local services.

Nominations open on 11 August 2025 and close 20 August 2025. For more information about becoming a candidate go to: www.olg.nsw.gov.au

Candidate nominations for the Central Darling Shire Council election

To have your name included on a ballot paper, you must be nominated as a candidate for the election.

- Lodgements of nominations commence Monday,
 11 August 2025 and close at 12 noon, Wednesday
 20 August 2025.
- Late nominations cannot be accepted.
- The nomination deposit of \$125 per candidate must be paid by cash, bank cheque, credit union cheque or building society cheque made out to the NSW Electoral Commission, before nominations close.
- Any amendments to a nomination must also be received by 12 noon, Wednesday, 20 August 2025.

Where to lodge Candidate Nomination form

A valid nomination form and deposit must be lodged between Monday, 11 August 2025 and close of nominations 12 noon, Wednesday, 20 August 2025.

Nominations must be lodged in person at either:

- Returning Officer's Office: 35 Reid Street, Wilcannia
- Menindee Council Office: 51 Yartla Steet, Menindee
- Ivanhoe Council Office: 32 Columbus Street, Ivanhoe

How to get help?

Call the Candidate helpdesk on 1300 022 011 or email candidates@elections.nsw.gov.au.

Nomination Forms

Candidate nomination forms can be downloaded from the NSW Electoral Commission website: elections.nsw.gov.au or requested through the Candidate helpdesk 1300 022 011.