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2021 Council Election – Pre-election Candidate Briefing Workshops

To help those interested in becoming a councillor to gain a better understanding of the role and responsibilities as an elected member of council the Warrumbungle Shire Council is running two Pre-election Candidate Briefing Workshops.

The Warrumbungle Shire covers over 12,000km² and is home to about 9,500 residents. The Council itself employs over 200 staff and has an annual budget of nearly \$45million. September 2021 will see the election of a new Warrumbungle Shire Council and residents should start thinking now about their involvement in the process.

“Being a councillor is an important role and is a great opportunity to make a difference and have an impact on your local community” said Warrumbungle Shire Council Mayor, Councillor Ambrose Doolan. “Councils are responsible for making significant decisions that have far-reaching impacts on their community.”

“To assist potential candidates with their decision to run to become a councillor Council has arranged for two workshops to be held, one in Dunedoo on Tuesday 15 June 2021 and the other in Coonabarabran on Wednesday 16 June 2021.”

“Council has arranged for Jenny Dowell to present at these workshops. Jenny has extensive experience in local government and has previously held the role as a Lismore councillor for 12 years and was the Mayor of Lismore between 2008 and 2016. Jenny is also a Mayors’ Mentor for Local Government NSW. Jenny brings a wealth of knowledge to the candidate briefings for NSW councils. Jenny delivered a wide range of pre- and post-election training last local government elections,” said Cr Doolan.

“I have spoken with Jenny on a number of occasions and found her to be very knowledgeable, articulate and a wonderful person just to speak with” said Cr Doolan.

“Nominations to stand in the local government elections close in August, so now is your time to nominate to represent your community,” concluded Cr Doolan.

“If you are passionate about what happens in your local community and are wanting the opportunity to have an impact on your community by standing to become a councillor then please register and come along to one of the workshops. To register or seek further information then please contact Executive Assistant to the General Manager, Erin Player on (02) 6849 2000,” concluded Cr Doolan.

Information about the role of councillors is available from www.olg.nsw.gov.au and on Council’s website at www.warrumbungle.nsw.gov.au/our-council/elections

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