Make a difference for your mob and run for local council



Why should you become a Councillor?

- Make a difference: Have a direct say in decisions that influence your community.
- Develop new skills: Gain valuable experience and work with diverse people.
- Represent your community: Work with local people and businesses to make important things happen for your communities and towns.

Councils provide essential services like maintaining roads, parks, recreation centres, and libraries, and planning for sustainable development. As a councillor, you'll represent the views of local people and make decisions on how money should be spent in the best interests of the entire community.

What qualities do you need?

Successful councillors are ethical, open, and honest. You'll also need to be:

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

It's important to consider how being a councillor fits with your personal and work priorities, as it involves reading council papers, attending meetings, and representing the council at events.

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.

For more information:

- Visit the "Become a councillor" section on the Office of Local Government's website.
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