



**Chief Executive Officer Attachments
ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
Wednesday 20 March 2019**

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1.6 Political Electioneering Posters

Policy Owner:	Development Services
Person Responsible:	Executive Manager Development Services
Date of Approval:	15 April 2009
Amended:	26 February 2019

Objective To control political advertising within the Shire and ensure that public safety is not compromised.

Policy During an election period of any government level the Shire will allow Electioneering signage in the public realm providing a permit is obtained by the Shire as detailed in the Shires local law *Activities on thoroughfares and trading in Thoroughfares and Public Places 2001* .

The permits are to be issued per political candidate at no cost and must comply with the following conditions to ensure public safety at all times.

- being erected at least 30m from any intersection;
- being free standing and not being affixed to any existing sign, post, power or light pole, or similar structure;
- being placed so as not to obstruct or impede the reasonable use of a public place; such as a thoroughfare, footpath, or public park; or other access to a place by any person
- being placed so as not to obstruct or impede the vision of a driver of a vehicle entering or leaving a thoroughfare or crossing;
- being maintained in good condition;
- not being erected until the election to which it relates has been officially announced;
- being removed within 48 hours of the close of polls on voting day;
- not being placed within 100m of any works on the thoroughfare;
- being securely installed;
- not being an illuminated sign;
- not incorporating reflective or fluorescent materials; and
- not displaying only part of a message which is to be read with other separate signs in order to obtain the whole message.

Any breach of council's conditions will result in the enforcement of the Shires Local Law *Activities on thoroughfares and trading in Thoroughfares and Public Places 2001* and the offending sign will be removed. All signs must be removed within 48 hours after the election has been conducted.

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Policy The posting of political or electoral advertising in public places is prohibited within the Shire of Chittering unless a “Special Permit” is obtained from the Shire’s Principal Building Surveyor.

A “Special Permit” in accordance with the Shire’s *By-Laws relating to Signs, Hoardings and Bill Posting, Clause 2.5:*

2.5 Special Permits

2.5.1 *Notwithstanding anything contained in these by-laws the Council may permit under the hand of the Building Surveyor allow the display of advertisements at churches, schools, theatres and other places of public entertainment, election notices, or advertisements of meetings or other matters of public interest upon such terms for such period as the Council may in each case decide.*

2.5.2 *The Council may revoke any such permit at any time without assigning any reason for such an action.*

2.5.3 *Upon the expiration or revocation of a permit issued under these by-laws, the person to whom it was issued shall forthwith remove the advertisement to which it relates and failure so to remove the advertisement is an offence.*