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In the lead up to the October 2020 Council elections there are 623 Councillor positions to be elected, and this is the first time that all councils will conduct postal voting.

The Shire of South Gippsland will be going to election in 2021 and the Cities of Casey and Whittlesea in 2024.

Central Goldfields bids farewell to Administrators and will welcome back 7 elected Councillors, 3 of the former dismissed Councillors have nominated for re-election.

At the close of nominations there were 2,187 candidates, compared to 2,135 for the 2016 elections. 183 Councillors have chosen not to recontest the upcoming elections, 91 were first term Councillors and 17 are current Mayors.

We farewell long term Councillors including Cr Robert Halliday, who hosted Prince Charles and Princess Diana at Portland in the early 1980's, Cr Barbara Alexander AO (Benalla), MAV President Cr Coral Ross (Boroondara), Cr Ben Buckley (East Gippsland), Cr Des Phelan (Golden Plains), Cr Angela Altair (Hobsons Bay), Cr Pam Clarke (Horsham), Cr Barb Murdoch (Indigo), Cr Ron Brownlees (Kingston), Cr Geoff Curnow (Loddon), former VLGA President Cr Marg Attley (Mansfield), Former Deputy Lord Mayor Cr Susan Riley (Melbourne City), Cr Bev Colomb (Mornington Peninsula), Cr Jill Parker (Moyne), Cr Margaret Rae (Murrindindi), former Chair of Cricket Australia Cr Bob Merriman (Queenscliffe), Cr John Chandler (Stonnington), Cr "Mick" Williams (Strathbogie), Cr Anna Speedie (Wodonga), Cr Jackie Fristacky (Yarra) and Cr Noel Cliff (Yarra Ranges), to name a few!

Spence Consulting Group has prepared the following overview of nominations for Victoria's 79 councils:

Council	Councillors to be elected in 2020	Candidate nominations for 2020 election	Existing Councillors not recontesting.
Alpine Shire current Clrs 7	7	13	Cr Peter Roper (M)
Ararat Rural City current Clrs 7	7	12	Cr Fay Hull Cr Bill Braithwaite
Ballarat City current Clrs 9	9	24	Nil
Banyule City current Clrs 7	9	52	Nil
Bass Coast Shire current Clrs 9	9	17	Cr Pamela Rothfield Cr Stephen Fullarton
Baw Baw Shire current Clrs 9	9	16	Cr Mikaela Power Cr Jessica O'Donnell
Bayside City current Clrs 7	7	66	Nil
Benalla Rural City current Clrs 7	7	12	Cr Barbara Alexander AO Cr Scott Upston
Boroondara City current Clrs 10	11	58	Cr Coral Ross Cr Jack Wegman Cr Phillip Healey
Brimbank City current Clrs 11	11	55	Cr John Hedditch Cr Daniel Allan
Buloke Shire current Clrs 7	7	8	Cr Ellen White
Campaspe Shire current Clrs 9	9	16	Cr Annie Vickers Cr Neil Pankhurst Cr Leigh Wilson
Cardinia Shire current Clrs 9	9	41	Cr Leticia Wilmot Cr Jodi Owen
Casey City 11 Clrs elected 2016	No election		
Central Goldfields Shire	7	16	Nil



7 Clrs elected 2016			
Colac Otway Shire current Clrs 7	7	14	Cr Jason Schram (M) Cr Brian Crook Cr Chris Smith
Corangamite Shire current Clrs 7	7	10	Cr Neil Trotter (M) Cr Lesley Brown Cr Simon Illingworth Cr Helen Durant
Darebin City current Clrs 9	9	60	Cr Kim Le Cerf Cr Steph Amir
East Gippsland Shire current Clrs 9	9	21	Cr Ben Buckley Cr Natalie O'Connell Cr Marianne Pelz Cr Joe Rettino Cr Jackson Roberts Cr Colin Toohey
Frankston City current Clrs 9	9	35	Cr Sandra Mayer (M) Cr Lillian O'Connor Cr Brian Cunial Cr Quinn McCormack
Gannawarra Shire current Clrs 7	7	15	Cr Lorraine Learmonth (M) Cr Brian Gibson Cr Jodie Basile Cr Andrew Gibbs
Glen Eira City current Clrs 9	9	36	Cr Clare Davey Cr Mary Delahunty Cr Joel Silver Cr Dan Sztrajt Cr Jamie Hyams
Glenelg Shire current Clrs 7	7	15	Cr Robert Halliday
Golden Plains Shire current Clrs 7	7	13	Cr David Evans Cr Des Phelan
Greater Bendigo City current Clrs 9	9	32	Cr Matt Emond Cr James Williams
Greater Dandenong City current Clrs 11	11	67	Cr Matthew Kirwan Cr Youhorn Chea Cr Peter Brown
Greater Geelong City current Clrs 11	11	39	Nil
Greater Shepparton City current Clrs 9	9	17	Cr Bruce Giovanetti Cr Chris Hazelman Cr Les Oroszvary Cr Dennis Patterson
Hepburn Shire current Clrs 7	7	19	Cr Kate Redwood Cr Neil Hewitt Cr Greg May
Hindmarsh Shire current Clrs 6	6	8	Cr David Colbert Cr Tony Schneider
Hobsons Bay City current Clrs 7	7	29	Cr Colleen Gates Cr Michael Grech Cr Sandra Wilson Cr Angela Altair
Horsham Rural City current Clrs 7	7	9	Cr Mark Radford (M) Cr Pam Clarke Cr David Grimble Cr Josh Koenig Cr Althea Gulvin
Hume City current Clrs 11	11	60	Cr Geoff Porter Cr Jana Taylor
Indigo Shire current Clrs 7	7	19	Cr James Trenery Cr Barb Murdoch
Kingston City	11	73	Cr Ron Brownlees



current Clrs 9			Cr Tamara Barth
Knox City current Clrs 9	9	30	Cr Adam Gill Cr Jake Keogh
Latrobe Rural City current Clrs 9	9	24	Nil
Loddon Shire current Clrs 5	5	11	Cr Cheryl McKinnon (M) Cr Geoff Curnow
Macedon Ranges Shire current Clrs 9	9	21	Cr Roger Jukes Cr Mandi Mees Cr Helen Radnedge Cr Andrew Twaits
Manningham City current Clrs 9	9	41	Cr Sophy Gallbally Cr Paula Piccinini
Mansfield Shire current Clrs 5	5	14	Cr Marg Attley (M) Cr Peter Olver Cr Paul Volkering
Maribyrnong City current Clrs 7	7	41	Cr Gina Huynh Cr Mia McGregor
Maroondah City current Clrs 9	9	30	Cr Samantha Mazzuchelli
Melbourne City current Clrs 9 Mayor & Deputy 2 Total 11	9 + Mayor & Deputy 11	Mayor & Deputy 18 Councillors 59	Cr Nicolas Gilley Cr Cathy Oke Cr Susan Riley
Melton City current Clrs 9	9	41	Cr Michelle Mendes Cr Yvonne Sebire
Mildura Rural City current Clrs 9	9	18	Cr Simon Clemence (M) Cr Min Poole Cr Greg Brown Cr Anthony Cirillo
Mitchell Shire current Clrs 9	9	16	Cr David Atkinson
Moira Shire current Clrs 9	9	17	Cr Gary Cleveland
Monash City current Clrs 11	11	50	Cr Robert Davies
Moonee Valley City current Clrs 9	9	42	Cr Nicole Marshall
Moorabool Shire current Clrs 7	7	20	Cr Lawry Borgelt
Moreland City current Clrs 11	11	51	Cr Jess Dorney Cr Natalie Abboud Cr Ali Irfanli Cr John Kavanagh Cr Dale Martin
Mornington Peninsular Shire current Clrs 11	11	43	Cr Sam Hearn (M) Cr Bev Colomb Cr Rosie Clark Cr Bryan Payne Cr Julie Edge Cr Frank Martin
Mt Alexander Shire current Clrs 7	7	18	Cr John Nieman Cr Dave Petrusma Cr Bronwen Machin
Moyne Shire current Clrs 7	7	16	Cr Jill Parker Cr Mick Wolfe
Murrindindi Shire current Clrs 7	7	15	Cr Rebecca Bowles Cr Jackie Ashe Cr Charlotte Bisset Cr Margaret Rae
Nillumbik Shire current Clrs 7	7	79	Cr Jane Ashton Cr Bruce Ranken Cr Peter Clarke
Northern Grampians Shire current Clrs 7	7	8	Cr Merrilee Reid Cr Jason Hosemans



Port Phillip City current Clrs 9	9	26	Cr Bernadene Voss Cr Ogy Simic Cr David Brand
Pyrenees Shire current Clrs 5	5	7	Nil
Queenscliffe Borough current Clrs 5	5	11	Cr Bob Merriman OA Cr Boyce Pizzey
South Gippsland Shire 9 Clrs elected in 2016	No election		
Southern Grampians Shire current Clrs 7	7	15	Cr Cathy Armstrong Cr Colin Dunkley
Stonnington City current Clrs 9	9	42	Cr John Chandler Cr Glen Atwell
Strathbogie Shire current Clrs 7	7	16	Cr Amanda McClaren (M) Cr Robert "Bob" Gardner Cr John Mason Cr Graeme "Mick" Williams Cr Malcolm Little Cr Alistair Thomson
Surf Coast Shire current Clrs 9	9	21	Cr Brian McKiterick Cr Clive Goldsworthy Cr Margot Smith
Swan Hill Rural City current Clrs 7	7	13	Cr Lea Johnson
Towong Shire current Clrs 5	5	9	Cr Jennie Star Cr Peter Tolsher
Wangaratta Rural City current Clrs 7	7	19	Cr Mark Currie
Warrnambool City current Clrs 7	7	24	Cr Tony Herbert (M) Cr Robert Anderson
Wellington Shire current Clrs 9	9	18	Cr Alan Hall (M)
West Wimmera Shire current Clrs 5	5	6	Nil
Whitehorse City current Clrs 10	11	47	Cr Bill Bennett
Whittlesea City 11 Clrs elected in 2016	No election		
Wodonga Rural City current Clrs 7	7	19	Cr Anna Speedie (M)
Wyndham City current Clrs 11	11	86	Cr Henry Barlow Cr Tony Hooper Cr Intaj Khan Cr Kim McAliney (resigned early)
Yarra City current Clrs 9	9	37	Cr Misha Coleman (M) Cr Jackie Fristacky Cr Danae Bosler Cr Mi Lin Chen Yi Mei Cr Daniel Nguyen Cr James Searle
Yarra Ranges Shire current Clrs 9	9	44	Cr Noel Cliff Cr Terry Avery Cr Mike Clarke
Yarriambiack Shire current Clrs 7	7	9	Cr Jean Wise Cr Helen Ballentine (resigned early)



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