

Submission 016

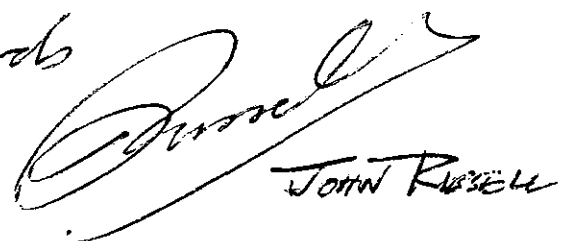
QUESTIONS MY RESPONSES

- Q1 No
- Q2 ELIMINATE DIVISIONS - ALL ELECTORAL MATTERS TO BE RESPONSIBILITY OF ECQ -
- Q3 NO CONSEQUENCE
- Q4 NO ELIMINATE DIVISIONS
- Q5 CONSIDER THE POSSIBLE INTENT FOR REGIONS BYPASSING STATES -
C EO's (TOWN CLERKS) SHOULD NOT INVOLVE IN L.G. OR REGION ELECTIONS
ALL ELECTIONS TO BE RESPONSIBILITY OF ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF QLD
- Q6 ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF QUEENSLAND HAVE TOTAL CONTROL
- Q7 SOME LIMITATIONS SUBJECT TO OTHER PUBLIC EVENTS TO AVOID DISTRACTION OF
VOTER PARTICIPATION - BUT MINIMISE VARIATIONS.
- Q8 PRESENT TIME STAN IS REASONABLE
- Q9 MINIMAL CHANGES AS PER ABOVE Q7 & Q8
- Q10 NO - SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM POLITICAL PARTIES - AUSTRALIA IS
SUPPOSED TO BE A DEMOCRACY NOT A POLITICAL PARTY DICTATORSHIP.
CANDIDATE MUST BE AUSTRALIAN CITIZENS WITH A MINIMUM OF 10 YEAR CITIZENSHIP
MUST BE 45 YEARS OLD & NOT OVER 75 YEARS OLD MUST BE A RATEPAYING
RESIDENT OF THE ELECTORATE FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS MUST BE OF
GOOD CHARACTER NO POLICE RECORD MUST BE COMPETANT IN ENGLISH ETC
- Q11 NO - IT IS LIMITED TO POLITICAL PARTY PARTICIPANTS - THERE IS NEED FOR
LOCAL VOLUNTEER ORGANISATIONS - IE - ROTARY - LIONS - RSL - CHURCHES
LOCAL BUSINESS ORGANISATIONS, TO NOMINATE QUALIFIED RESIDENTS
AND AT LEAST 3 SUCH SHOULD CO NOMINATE A CANDIDATE.
- Q12 YES AND HAVE PRINCIPAL PLACE OF RESIDENCE IN THE ELECTORATE
FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS AND HAVE MINIMUM OF 33% EQUITY IN
THE HOME
- Q13 YES BUT NEED NOT BE SAME HOME - CAN MOVE WITHIN THE
ELECTORATE
- Q14 NO - ALL CANDIDATES BE POTENTIAL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL BUT
THE 'MAYOR' ELECTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS AT SECRET VOTE OF FIRST
MEETING AFTER ELECTION CONDUCTED BY ECQ

- Q15 YES - BY SECRET VOTE BY COUNCILLORS CONDUCTED BY ECQLP AS FIRST MEET OF NEW COUNCIL
- Q16 NO - ALL DONATIONS FROM \$5 FIVE DOLLARS SHOULD BE RECEIPTED & RECORDED. AUDITED FOR COUNCIL RECORD AND PUBLIC VIEWING. POSSIBLY THE NOMINATING GROUP OF EACH CANDIDATE SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR FUNDRAISING AS CHARITABLE TAX DEDUCTABLE DONATIONS
- Q17 YES - PUBLICITY COULD HELP THE FUNDRAISING WHICH IS FOR A PUBLIC BENEFIT (NOT THE PROPERTY OF CANDIDATE)
- Q18 YES - ALL DONATIONS OF VALUE \$5 AND ABOVE TO BE RECORDED
- Q19 NO - BUT LIMITED TO A 3 or 6 MONTH PRE ELECTION TIME SPAN
- Q20 YES - NO PROMOTIONAL ASPECT AT ALL
- Q21 YES - NAME AGE ADDRESS MARRIED or SINGLE & AT ALL BOOTHS & POSTAL PACKS - STANDARD BY THE ECQLP
- Q22 NO BUNTING - ONLY HOW TO VOTE CARDS LISTING CANDIDATES & THEIR NOMINATORS
- Q23 YES - SIZE & COLOURS OF ALL POSTERS TO BE STANDARD
- Q24 NO - THIS IS USEFUL LOCAL PUBLICITY
- Q25 YES until ALL elections L.G. State & Fed throughout Australia become NON COMPULSION at the same time.
- Q26 Yes but subject to age, disability, distance & transport problems
- Q27 Yes for those limited distant residents of low population spread as "TOWN".
- Q28 NO needed for temporary absentee residents
- Q29 Eligible VOTERS with their PERSONAL VOTERS CARD should be able to vote at any Booth - such vote application is recorded & the Voters Card is appropriately stamped to eliminate duplicate use.
- Q30 Yes & No
- Q31 NO & NO, ALL Government SHOULD be for & by the PEOPLE not for Properties - A standard REGISTERED VOTERS CARD should be issued (with card) to each Qualified Voter
- Q32 NO. Vote is for Resident Australian Citizens NOT for non resident (or resident) corporations
- Q33 Yes But only when such is Principal Place of Residence

- Q34 NO NO NO The vote is for eligible Resident-Citizens NOT for properties - One vote per eligible VOTER
- Q35 The Electoral Commission of Queensland - & similar organisations in each state & such should be available free of charge to ALL adult Australian citizens at Public Libraries & Council offices & by mail (NOT by Electronic methods as these can be easily corrupted) and upon proof of identity of enquirer.
- Q36 FIRST PAST POST that is the candidate having the greatest number of VOTES from all sources by the close of recording votes time & date. In the event that this person should Refuse election or subsequently after Election & any time during the term of office cease to hold the position then the job should be offered to the person with second highest vote etc etc & this avoids By Elections during the set Term of Council
- Q37 NO - variations including "Preferential" provides entry for corruptions
- Q38 No - as above Q37
- Q39 It is possible that Regions (combined multiple Councils) could eventually by pass & supersede States which may be OK if it results in a genuine FEDERATION of Australian Citizens & not as at present just another Political Party Dictatorship!

Regards


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T/S As suggested in Barbara Stone's letter that unaccompanied this paper - I have passed same on to another owner occupied a retired Secretary for further input.

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