

## SOME TIPS REGARDING THE NOMINATION & THE CANDIDATE PROFILE STATEMENT

### PLEASE ALSO READ THE NOTES ON THE NOMINATION PAPER & THE CANDIDATE INFORMATION BOOKLET

#### NOMINATION

- Any person who is a New Zealand citizen, and enrolled on any New Zealand parliamentary electoral roll can be a candidate for any position.
- The two nominators must be enrolled and be able to vote in the election for which the candidate is standing.
- There are some exclusions with regard to being nominated to stand in some multiple issues, such as not being able to stand for both a regional council and for any constituent authority of the that council (ie one cannot stand for the West Coast Regional Council, and for the Buller District Council, whether it be for Mayor, Council, or Community Board).

#### CANDIDATE PROFILE STATEMENT

- The profile statement must be no more than 150 words so it is imperative that you do not exceed this limit as your statement will be ended at exactly the 150<sup>th</sup> word. (Your name and affiliation does not count in this word limit.)
- It must state your principal place of residence and whether you are standing in any other election, although these words will not count in terms of the word limit. In the case of a DHB, the word limit does not include the conflict of interest statement.
- The use of bullet points will not be allowed; the text will be run together with semi-colons.
- There can be better use of grammar (commas, apostrophes, semi-colons, etc) than using words such as **the, a, and, I am**, etc
- The use of acronyms is advisable ie **BDC** is counted as one word, **Buller District Council** is three words.

**IT WOULD BE WISER TO TYPE THE STATEMENT AS A 'WORD' DOCUMENT OR AS THE BODY OF AN E-MAIL AND SEND IT DIRECT TO THE ELECTORAL OFFICER AT [jayar@bdc.govt.nz](mailto:jayar@bdc.govt.nz) SO THAT THERE IS NO NEED FOR RE-TYPING, AND THEREFORE AVOID ANY TYPING ERRORS.**

The statement may include a **recent** photograph of the candidate **alone** which:

- should be approximately 50mm by 40mm (passport size)
- as a general guide, has been taken within 12 months of the nomination
- can be supplied electronically as a JPEG scanned at 300 dpi

**IT WOULD BE IN YOUR INTEREST TO HAVE A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN WITH A DIGITAL CAMERA AND E-MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE ELECTORAL OFFICER AT [jayar@bdc.govt.nz](mailto:jayar@bdc.govt.nz) SO THAT THIS AVOIDS HAVING THE PHOTO SCANNED, AND MAYBE DISTORTED IN THE PROCESSING STAGES.**