FACT SHEET

Candidate Statements

A candidate may provide the Electoral Commissioner with information about the candidate for publication on the Elections ACT website. Candidate information for publication may be provided to the Electoral Commissioner, following the declaration of nominations on 2 June 2021.

The ACT Electoral Commission takes no responsibility nor bears liability for the contents of the candidate statements. However, the Electoral Commission will ensure compliance with the requirements of the Electoral Act.

What information can be provided?

Each candidate may provide the following to be published on the Elections ACT website:

- A photograph of the candidate. The photo should be provided in JPEG or PNG file format.
- A statement about the candidate of not more than 500 words

A candidate's statement must not exceed 500 words or include content that is obscene, defamatory or otherwise unlawful. Any candidate statement that does not comply will not be published.

Elections ACT will not edit candidate information including corrections of spelling, grammar or typos.

Once only, within 14 days after the publication of a candidate's information, the candidate may give the Commissioner revised information for publication.

Elections ACT will publish all candidate information statements in the same font and at the same font size.

- The contact details for the candidate which may include a link to a website used by the candidate for the purpose of the election.
- The candidate statement needs to be appropriately authorised

How should candidate information be provided?

The Electoral Commission requests that all candidate information statements and photographs are provided digitally via email to elections@act.gov.au.

How will the order of publication be determined?

The Electoral Commissioner will determine, by lot, the order of the publication of information about candidates on the Elections ACT website. Each nominated candidate will be included in the draw for position, regardless of whether that candidate has submitted candidate information. If, after the initial publication of candidate information, additional candidates submit information for publication, the information will be published in the order determined by lot.

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