

2016 Legislative Council election dates announced

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission today announced the timetable for the 2016 Legislative Council elections to be held in the divisions of Apsley and Elwick.

The Legislative Council is the upper house of our State Parliament and voting is compulsory for electors in these divisions.

It is expected that Her Excellency the Governor will issue writs with the following dates—

- Issue of writs and close of electoral rolls 6 pm Monday 4 April 2016
- Nominations close.....12 noon Thursday 14 April 2016
- Announcement of nominations 12 noon Friday 15 April 2016
- Polling day 8 am – 6 pm Saturday 7 May 2016

The division of Apsley takes in most of the eastern side of Tasmania, from Flinders Island to Campania including the midlands. Apsley includes the municipal areas of Dorset, Break O’Day, Glamorgan-Spring Bay and Southern Midlands, the rural region of Launceston municipal area including: Lebrina, Lilydale, Targa, Upper Blessington and White Hills, and the eastern region of Northern Midlands municipal area including: Evandale, Epping Forrest, Avoca, Campbell Town and Ross.

The division of Elwick takes in all of the Glenorchy City municipal area south of Faulkners Rivulet (in Claremont) and includes Cadbury Point east of the main railway line. Elwick includes the localities of: Chigwell, Berriedale, Collinsvale, Rosetta, Montrose, Goodwood, Glenorchy, Derwent Park, Moonah, West Moonah, and Lutana.