

2026 DIVISIONAL COUNCIL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

An opportunity to contribute to the governance, strategic direction and future of IPAA SA.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE	Five (5) Member Elected Councillor positions
NOMINATIONS OPEN	Friday, 18 September 2026
NOMINATIONS CLOSE	Friday, 2 October 2026 at 5.00 pm
AGM	Wednesday, 4 November 2026, 4.00-5.00 pm

About IPAA SA

The Institute of Public Administration Australia South Australian Division (IPAA SA) is the professional association for South Australia's public sector. As a non-partisan, not-for-profit incorporated institute, IPAA SA supports the public sector through professional development, thought leadership, connection and opportunities to strengthen public administration.

IPAA SA is the South Australian Division of the Institute of Public Administration Australia and works across state, Australian Government and local government, statutory authorities and the broader public purpose sector.

About the Divisional Council

The Divisional Council is IPAA SA's governing body. Councillors collectively oversee the organisation's strategic direction, governance and stewardship, and act in the best interests of IPAA SA and its members.

Under the IPAA SA Constitution, the Council comprises seven Member Elected Councillors, two Council Appointed Councillors and the Executive Officer (ex-officio). Five Member Elected positions are available as part of the 2026 nomination process.

Who we encourage to nominate

IPAA SA welcomes nominations from members across all levels of government, metropolitan and regional South Australia, and from people with diverse professional backgrounds, perspectives and lived experience. A strong Council benefits from a complementary mix of skills, sector knowledge and governance capability.

COUNCILLOR ROLE & COMMITMENT

What Council membership involves

The Divisional Council ordinarily meets every two months across the year. Councillors are expected to prepare for and actively participate in meetings, exercise sound judgement, contribute constructively to strategic discussions and support collective Council decisions.

At the first Council meeting following the AGM, office bearers are elected from among the Council in accordance with the Constitution.

We are particularly interested in experience across:

• Governance & board leadership	• Strategy & organisational performance
• Finance, audit & risk	• Legal, regulatory & compliance
• People, culture & workforce	• Public administration & policy
• Learning & professional development	• Stakeholder & member engagement
• Digital, data & technology	• Communications, brand & marketing

Councillor attributes

- High standards of integrity, ethics and accountability.
- A genuine commitment to strengthening public administration and public sector capability.
- The capacity to think strategically and contribute constructively to collective decision-making.
- Financial and governance literacy appropriate to the responsibilities of a governing Council.
- A willingness and capacity to prepare for, attend and participate in Council meetings.
- Relevant professional, sector, community or governance experience that adds value to IPAA SA.

Eligibility & nomination requirements

To nominate for a Member Elected Councillor position, the nominee must be a Financial Member of IPAA SA. In accordance with clause 3.4(c) of the Constitution, each nomination must also include a proposer and a seconder who are Financial Members of IPAA SA.

If the number of valid nominations exceeds the number of available positions, a ballot of Financial Members will be conducted in accordance with the Constitution.

BALLOT ISSUED (IF REQUIRED)	Tuesday, 13 October 2026
BALLOT CLOSES (IF REQUIRED)	Wednesday, 28 October 2026 at 5.00 pm

NOMINATION FORM

2026 Member Elected Councillor

1. Nominee details

Full name

Organisation

Position / title

Classification (if applicable)

Email

Phone

Date joined IPAA (if known)

2. Candidate statement

Please briefly outline why you are nominating for the IPAA SA Divisional Council and the contribution you would like to make. Suggested maximum: 200 words.

3. Skills, experience and perspective

Please describe the skills, experience and perspectives you would bring to Council. Suggested maximum: 200 words.

NOMINATION FORM

2026 Member Elected Councillor - continued

4. Areas of expertise

Please tick all that apply.

☐ Governance & board leadership	☐ Strategy & organisational performance
☐ Finance, audit & risk	☐ Legal, regulatory & compliance
☐ People, culture & workforce	☐ Public administration & policy
☐ Learning & professional development	☐ Stakeholder & member engagement
☐ Digital, data & technology	☐ Communications, brand & marketing
Other:	

5. Conflicts of interest

Do you have any actual, potential or perceived conflicts of interest that should be declared as part of your nomination?

☐ No ☐ Yes - please provide details below

Details

6. Publication consent

If a ballot is required, IPAA SA may provide members with candidate information to support an informed vote. This may include your name, organisation, position, candidate statement, biography and headshot.

☐ I consent to IPAA SA using and publishing this information for the 2026 Council election and AGM process.

7. Nominee declaration

I confirm that the information provided in this nomination is accurate, that I am eligible to nominate, and that I am willing to serve as a Member Elected Councillor if elected.

Nominee signature

Date

NOMINATION ENDORSEMENTS

A valid nomination must include a proposer and seconder who are Financial Members of IPAA SA.

8. Proposer

Full name

Organisation

Email

Signature

Date

9. Secunder

Full name

Organisation

Email

Signature

Date

10. Supporting material

Short biography attached

Current headshot attached

A curriculum vitae may also be provided if you wish, but is not required unless requested by IPAA SA.

SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION

In accordance with clause 3.4(d) of the IPAA SA Constitution, nominations must be submitted to the Treasurer or Executive Director.

Please submit your completed nomination form and supporting material by 5.00 pm, Friday, 2 October

2026 to:

Renaë Haese, Executive Director
renaeh@sa.ipaa.org.au

IPAA SA will acknowledge receipt of nominations. Where a ballot is required, candidate information will be issued to eligible members in accordance with the election timetable.