

Electoral structure review - Strathbogie Shire Council - Preliminary Submission
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In 2011 the VEC recommended that Strathbogie Shire Council have an unsubdivided electoral structure

based on the characteristics of the Shire, general advantages of an unsubdivided model and the dynamics of elections

Council needs to economise , avoid the need for costly boundary reviews and byelections

A broad approach is required to be adopted particularly in respect to an economic development strategy

A municipality approach will benefit the Shire as a whole and enable all voters to vote for all candidates

Ratepayers would have a broader and better choice of candidates

The municipality is not developing rapidly not is it very ethnically diverse

An unsubdivided structure expands choice for voters

Five councillors is enough to provide fair and equitable representation for voters and to meet the demands of the municipality given its area and population