

Constitution Of the 'Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated (Councils)' (Local Government Act 1993)

Preamble

"This Constitution is established under the Constitution and Rules of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated and is subject to compliance with the Constitution and Rules of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated and, should there be any conflict between this Constitution and the Constitution and Rules of the Australia First Party Incorporated, the Constitution and Rules of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated shall take precedence. This clause may not be amended or deleted from this Constitution without the written approval of the National Council of Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated."

It is accepted by the party that the Constitution of Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated (Councils) was amended in July 2014 and again in August 2019 and again in June 2022 and that these amendments operate to govern the administration of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated (Councils).

Part One: Definitions And Purpose.

1. The name of the party shall be the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated (Councils), or as shortened for appropriate public usage: either Australia First Party or Australia First; hereafter in this Constitution, it is termed - 'the party'.
2. The party recognises that it is an entity created under the New South Wales Local Government Act (1993) and formed therefore to contest council polls in the State of New South Wales. The conduct of the party is therefore subject to this legislation.
3. The party recognises that it is an entity formed by members of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated, a body incorporated under the New South Wales Associations Incorporation Act (1984) and at the original time of the adoption of this Constitution, was a federally registered political party. The party does not consider that it is an entity with a corporal identity and general purpose separate from the requirements of this parent body, the exigencies of the relevant New South Wales electoral legislation notwithstanding. The party, allowing for the needs of its electors and its members, shall affect its business in accordance with the parent party and its Constitution at all times.

Part Two: Electoral Programme And Its Purpose

4. The electoral programme of the party shall be that issued by its committee at the formation of the party and its members and candidates shall affirm their

loyalty to it. Electoral campaign matter shall be issued with reference to, and be consistent with, the programme. Nonetheless it is the purpose of the programme and the members of the party and its candidates to encourage independent attitudes and independent councillors in Local Government and to conduct political struggles that build the party at the community level

5. The programme may be changed by two thirds majority vote at a conference of the party.

6. The first electoral programme of the party is now described and taken to have been adopted by the foundation members. It may be changed from time to time in accordance with the present Constitution:

Programme

This programme is put forward to the people, not to narrow the fight for political change to the activities of one party, but to broaden and deepen every aspect of independent politics at the Local Government level. The party fights for the following principles and will support any candidate who espouses any of the following points.

a. To ensure the office of mayor and shire president becomes or remains open to direct popular election.

b. To adopt Citizens' Initiated Referenda (CIR) in every Local Government area, either by decision of the relevant council, or by persuasion at State Government level that it legislate for CIR for the whole State; and to encourage citizens to exercise their direct popular rights of initiative.

c. To support all independent candidates to achieve office when and where their beliefs are not inimical to those of Australian identity, independence and freedom.

d. To protect, defend and promote public awareness of, in every Local Government area, all aspects of Australia's Heritage as a European society with a unique national culture and tradition.

e. To refuse all funding and support for those efforts of Federal and State governments that undermine Australia's Heritage.

f. To introduce binding contracts of service on all elected representatives.

g. To sponsor the phased growth of local control over areas of government which directly impact upon the lives of the citizen, and where this may prove impossible by the dead weight of existent legislation, to organize the weight of local public opinion via popular mobilization to achieve this goal.

h. To sponsor, particularly in country areas of the State, grassroots action committees. These committees should become informal groupings of patriotic people and other concerned citizens, outside of the party, and answerable to

local people.

i. Such committees should organize to transform their areas / towns into multicultural-free zones, to support every manifestation of Australian patriotism and heritage and every campaign in their defence; they could mobilize to ensure community control over local societies and associations and at the grassroots ensure the moral rearmament and re-culturation of their fellow Australians. Such committees could play a role in popular struggles to enforce the rights of farmers and workers against the interests of the banks and other authorities. In a counter-power struggle against dominant liberal-globalist ideology, such organs of popular initiative could lead the fight for CIR and subsequently formulate proposals for their communities.

Part Three: Members And Requirements

7. Any person who is 18 years and who is an enrolled voter, or is entitled to be an enrolled voter, may join the party upon payment of a \$10 fee, unless that fee is waived.

8. Fees need only be paid once upon application for membership; however, the secretary may levy the fee annually, if so required.

9. The committee may refuse to accept a membership upon whatever grounds it sees fit.

10. All members of the party may, upon request and the payment of the relevant fee and subject to acceptance under its Constitution, join the parent party, the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated. It is not necessary that they do so as long as members accept those special purposes for which the present party was constituted.

11. The committee may expel a member if it considers the said membership is prejudicial to the conduct of the party.

12. All candidates of the party shall also be members of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated in good standing.

13. All committee members of the party shall be members of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated. If they are not in good standing with the said party at any time in the life of the party, they are excluded from the exercise of their administrative functions in the party.

Part Four: Administration

14. The administration of the party shall be exercised by those officers defined by the Local Government Act (1993) as: the Registered Officer, the Deputy Registered Officer, the Party Agent and the Secretary. These officers shall be known as the committee of the party and govern it according to this Constitution. The officers who first register the party shall be taken to be the first committee and their election assented to by those members who affirmed

their membership to the New South Wales Electoral Commission. The party shall operate from whatever address the committee shall decide.

15. The committee shall call an annual general meeting of the party upon thirty days notice to the members. All members may submit to the Secretary any item for discussion or any draft resolution and the Secretary shall prepare an agenda. It is a constitutional requirement that the party conducts its annual general meeting in accordance with the general rules of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated.

The annual general meeting shall:

a. Elect officers from any candidates to the committee. All candidates for the offices shall nominate within seven days after the meeting is called. Any changes shall be advised to the New South Wales Electoral Commission as soon as possible thereafter.

b. Discuss and resolve any business on the agenda. All matters shall be decided by majority vote.

c. Discuss and resolve other business where the incumbent Registered Officer of the party of the preceding year, who shall act as meeting chairman, may give permission for its addition to the agenda. A vote of sixty per cent from the floor of the meeting may compel a matter be added to the agenda.

d. The committee shall meet as is necessary to conduct the affairs of the party, shall keep records of its meetings which must be available to members at the annual general meeting, and function in accordance with its legal responsibilities to the Local Government Act (1993). It shall also operate in unison with the appropriate officers of the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated.

Part Five: Accounts And Records.

16. The Party Agent and the Secretary shall operate and otherwise maintain all necessary financial accounts and records for the party and report to the annual general meeting. These records shall, as required by the Local Government Act (1993), be necessary for the operation of a registered party and shall be maintained separately from the parent party.

17. The party, allowing for the needs of its electors and its members, shall operate in accordance with the procedures of the parent party. It shall also furnish the returns required by any reporting conditions of the Commonwealth Electoral Act (1918) to the Federal party (if the party stays registered with the Australian Electoral Commission), as and when requested to do so by the Federal party. It shall acknowledge itself as an associated entity of the registered Federal party (if the party stays registered with the Australian Electoral Commission) and be entitled thereby to employ its usages and forms, emblems and other representations as the party committee sees fit.

Part Six: Dissolution

18. The party may dissolve itself. Two steps shall be necessary. A majority of members of the committee shall vote accordingly and call a special general meeting for the discussion of the matter. If a vote be then taken in the affirmative by a majority of the members, the party shall stand dissolved. All assets shall be constitutionally bound to be donated, after the payment of any outstanding accounts, to the Australia First Party (NSW) Incorporated.

Note: This Constitution was adopted in 2014 to replace the Constitution of the Australia First (Council Elections) Party adopted in 2007 at the time of the registration of the party, and in accordance with the change of name of the party with the New South Wales Electoral Commission. It was amended in 2019 and again in 2022 to reflect changes in the status of the parent party with the Australian Electoral Commission and for other proper purposes.

Registered party information required under the *Electoral Act 2017* and the *Local Government Act 1993*:

Please provide written responses in the spaces provided to address the following party information if it is not explicitly outlined in the party's constitution. This information will be published on the NSW Electoral Commission's website with the party's constitution.

(i) the party's objects:

AS ESTABLISHED IN THE PARTY CONSTITUTION,
PARAGRAPHS 6(a) - 6(i)

(ii) the procedure for amending the party's written constitution:

PER THE PARTY CONSTITUTION, PARAGRAPH 15a-d.

(iii) the rules for membership of the party, including the procedure for accepting a person as a member and ending a person's membership:

PER THE PARTY CONSTITUTION, PARAGRAPHS 7-11

(iv) a description of the party structure and of how the party manages its internal affairs:

THE COMMITTEE HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER
THE PARTY UNDER PARAS. 14 AND 15 OF THE CONSTITUTION

(v) the procedure for selecting a person to hold an office in the party and for removing a person from office:

PER THE PARTY CONSTITUTION, PARA. 15(a)

(vi) the names of the officers or members of the party responsible for ensuring the party complies with the *Electoral Act 2017* and the *Electoral Funding Act 2018*:

JAMES SAMBAM, REGISTERED OFFICER
ROBERT FRASER, DEPUTY REGISTERED OFFICER
JOANNE NICKL, SECRETARY DARREN HURST, PARTY AGENT

Please provide clear statements that explicitly outline all of the required information.