

## New Federal Labor Leader

May 2019

On Wednesday 22 May 2019 the ALP National Executive met to start the process of electing a new Leader, following Labor's loss at the 2019 Federal Election.

Nominations for the new leader were opened for five days from Thursday 23 May at 10am, closing at 10am on Monday 27 May.

Candidates required 20% support of the Parliamentary Party (commonly referred to as the Caucus) to formally nominate.

The Member for Grayndler the Hon. Anthony Albanese MP was the only nominee for the position of Party Leader and was elected unopposed on 27 May 2019.

As there were no further nominations, a ballot was not held. The ballot would have been made up of 50% of votes from the Caucus and 50% of votes from a postal vote by grassroots members of the Labor Party conducted over 20 days.

Mr Shorten has served as Acting Opposition Leader until Mr Albanese was elected.

On Thursday 30 May Caucus will meet to confirm Mr Albanese's appointment as Leader and to elect the Deputy Leader of the Party and the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Party in the Senate.

Caucus will also elect the remaining 26 Shadow Ministers.

The allocation of Shadow Ministerial portfolios and the appointment of Shadow Assistant Ministers (previously known as Shadow Parliamentary Secretaries) will be made by the Leader.

Current Shadow Ministers will remain in their portfolios until that time.

This Occasional Paper was updated on Monday 27 May and will continue to be updated as the outcomes of the above process are confirmed.

### Further information

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