

120 sign up for election

THE municipal council election this year is set to be less competitive than expected unless a considerable number of candidates register before nominations close today.

A total of 120 candidates had signed up to contest the 59 municipal council seats by Friday, which meant an average of two candidates would compete for each seat.

In the municipal council election in 1991, there were 61 candidates competing for 27 seats which put the ratio at almost 2.3 candidates per seat. About 20 candidates will have to sign up today to top the 1991 figure.