## Central Highlands Council

## 2022 ELECTION REPORT

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## Local government elections in Tasmania

This booklet provides election details for the 2022 Central Highlands Council election, which was conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993.

This booklet also contains details of any casual vacancies or elector polls that were conducted between the 2018 and 2022 council elections.

Statewide election results are published on the TEC website www.tec.tas.gov.au.

## 2022 Election timetable

Notice of election published
Nominations opened
Electoral rolls closed
Nominations closed
Nominations announced
Ballot material received by electors
Polling period
Close of poll

Saturday 3 September
Monday 5 September
Thursday 8 September
Monday 19 September
Tuesday 20 September
3-7 October
3-25 October
2pm Tuesday 25 October

## Councillor casual vacancies

Councillor casual vacancies are filled by recount. Only unelected candidates from the relevant election may contest a recount. If there are no unelected candidates able to contest the recount, or the casual vacancy is also for the mayoral position, a by-election is held. A candidate elected at a recount or by-election serves until the next council election.
No casual vacancies are filled within 6 months of the next ordinary election, unless the vacancy results in the council unable to have a quorum.

## Elector polls

A council may hold an elector poll on any issue it determines. A council may also be required to hold an elector poll following petitions from electors in accordance with Part 6 of the Act. A council is not bound by the result of an elector poll.

## Electoral system

Elections for councillor positions are conducted using a system modelled on the Hare-Clark method of proportional representation used in Tasmanian House of Assembly elections.

Mayoral and deputy mayoral elections use a preferential system similar to that used for Tasmanian Legislative Council and federal House of Representatives elections.

Voting in Tasmanian local government elections is compulsory.

## Report on the 2022 Central Highlands Council elections

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and 9 Councillors, all for 4 year terms.
2,499 Central Highlands electors were enrolled for the 2022 elections, comprising 1,793 (71.75\%)
from the State House of Assembly roll and 706 (28.25\%) from the General Manager's roll. $85.35 \%$ of Central Highlands Council electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with $84.79 \%$ statewide.

## Central Highlands Councillors

Councillors are listed in order of their election.

## Prior to the 2022 election

Mayor
TRIFFITT, Loueen (Lou)
Deputy Mayor
ALLWRIGHT, Jim
Councillors
TRIFFITT, Loueen (Lou)
ALLWRIGHT, Jim
CAMPBELL, Anita
BAILEY, Tony
BOWDEN, Scott
HONNER, Julie
CASSIDY, Robert
ARCHER, Anthony
POORE, Jim

## Following the 2022 election

## Mayor <br> TRIFFITT, Loueen (Lou)

Deputy Mayor
ALLWRIGHT, Jim
Councillors
TRIFFITT, Loueen (Lou)
ALLWRIGHT, Jim
BAILEY, Anthony (Tony)
CASSIDY, Robert L
HALL, John
HONNER, Julie
BOWDEN, Scott
MILLER, Yvonne
MEACHEAM, David

## The candidates

Central Highlands Council
enrolment 2,499

## Councillor

| ALLWRIGHT, Jim | Ouse |
| :--- | ---: |
| ARCHER, Anthony | Bothwell |
| BAILEY, Anthony (Tony) | Hamilton |
| BOWDEN, Scott | Bothwell |
| CASSIDY, Robert L | Bothwell |
| HALL, John | Bothwell |
| HONNER, Julie | Miena |
| MEACHEAM, David | Miena |
| MILLER, Yvonne | Hamilton |
| TRIFFITT, Loueen (Lou) | Hamilton |
| WILKINSON, Rob | Doctors Point |
| Mayor | 1 candidate (no ballot required) |
| TRIFFITT, Loueen (Lou) | Hamilton |
| Deputy Mayor | 2 candidates |
| ALLWRIGHT, Jim | Ouse |
| CASSIDY, Robert L | Bothwell |

## Central Highlands Council - 2022 Councillor election

Polling closed: 2pm Tuesday 25 October 2022
Returning officer: Justin Meeker
Number to be elected: 9

Candidates

| Count | ALLWRIGHT | ARCHER | BAILEY | BOWDEN | CASSIDY | HALL | HONNER | MEACHEAM |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 298.00 | 44.00 | 159.00 | 104.00 | 134.00 | 143.00 | 109.00 | 112.00 |  |
| 2 |  | 24.56 | 107.65 | 54.18 | 98.98 | 65.02 | 67.19 | 17.34 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Electors enrolled: | 2,499 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Declarations returned: | 2,133 |
| Response rate: | $85.35 \%$ |
| Declarations rejected: | 33 |


| Declarations admitted: | 2,100 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Rejection rate: | $1.55 \%$ |
| Ballot paper adjustment: | 10 |
| Total ballot papers: | 2,090 |


| Informal ballot papers: | 78 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Informality rate: | $3.73 \%$ |
| Formal ballot papers: | 2,012 |

Candidates (cont.)

| MILLER | TRIFFITT | WILKINSON | Votes <br> Exhausted | Loss (Gain) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| by Fraction |  |  |  |  | Total Votes Remarks


| 75.00 | 728.00 | 106.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | $2,012.00$ | TRIFFITT elected 1, |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 60.69 | -526.00 | 30.34 | 0.00 | 0.05 |  | ALLWRIGHT elected 2 |
| 135.69 | 202.00 | 136.34 | 0.00 | 0.05 | $2,012.00$ | TRIFFITT's surplus distributed |
| 14.49 |  | 11.59 | 1.61 | 0.03 |  | BAILEY elected 3, <br> CASIDY elected 4, <br> HALL elected 5 |
| 150.18 | 202.00 | 147.93 | 1.61 | 0.08 | $2,012.00$ | ALLWRIGHT's surplus distributed |

Central Highlands Council - Councillor election - first preferences
First preferences by councillor candidate


## Central Highlands Council - Mayor election

1 candidate - no ballot required.
TRIFFITT, Loueen (Lou) elected unopposed.

## Central Highlands Council - Deputy Mayor election

Polling closed: 2pm Tuesday 25 October 2022
Returning officer: Justin Meeker

| Electors enrolled: | 2,499 | Ballot paper adjustment: | 12 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Declarations returned: | 2,133 | Total ballot papers: | 2,088 |
| Response rate: | $85.35 \%$ | Informal ballot papers: | 78 |
| Declarations rejected: | 33 | Informality rate: | $3.74 \%$ |
| Declarations admitted: | 2,100 | Formal ballot papers: | 2,010 |


|  | Candidates |  | Exhausted votes | Formal votes | Absolute majority | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ALLWRIGHT Jim | CASSIDY <br> Robert L |  |  |  |  |
| Count1 First preferences | 1,354 | 656 | n/a | 2,010 | 1,006 | ALLWRIGHT elected |
| Percentage | 67.36\% | 32.64\% |  |  |  |  |

First preferences by deputy mayor candidate


