## Tasman Council

## 2022 ELECTION REPORT

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## Local government elections in Tasmania

This booklet provides election details for the 2022 Tasman 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 Tasman Council elections

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and 7 Councillors, all for 4 year terms.

2,705 Tasman electors were enrolled for the 2022 elections, comprising 2,065 (76.34\%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 640 (23.66\%) from the General Manager's roll.
$84.55 \%$ of Tasman Council electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with $84.79 \%$ statewide.

## Tasman Councillors

Councillors are listed in order of their election.

| Prior to the 2022 election |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Mayor | Following the 2022 |
| SPAULDING, Kelly | Mayor |
| Deputy Mayor | MACDONALD, Rod |
| STACEY, Maria | Deputy Mayor |
| Councillors | STACEY, Maria |
| STACEY, Maria | Councillors |
| SPAULDING, Kelly | MACDONALD, Rod |
| BARWICK, Jan | SPAULDING, Kelly |
| BEARD, David | STACEY, Maria |
| GARRETT, Casey | KNOTT, Angela |
| HULL, Alan* | BEARD, David |
| KELLEHER, Daniel* | FIELDER, Hannah |
| *elected by recount | KELLEHER, Daniel |

## Recounts between the 2018 and 2022 elections

A recount was conducted on 9 November 2020, to fill a vacancy for councillor on the Tasman Council following the resignation of Councillor Andy Griffiths on 23 October 2020.
Seven unelected candidates from the 2018 Tasman Council election contested the recount.
A recount was conducted on 19 April 2021, to fill a vacancy for councillor on the Tasman Council following the resignation of Councillor Pam Fenerty on 24 March 2021.
Five unelected candidates from the 2018 Tasman Council election contested the recount.
A recount was conducted on 7 June 2021, to fill a vacancy for councillor on the Tasman Council following the resignation of Councillor Rhonda Tomlinson on 5 May 2021.
Five unelected candidates from the 2018 Tasman Council election contested the recount.
An abstract of these counts is at the back of this report.

## The candidates

## Councillor

| BEARD, David | Eaglehawk Neck |
| :--- | ---: |
| FIELDER, Hannah | Nubeena |
| HULL, Alan John | Sloping Main |
| KELLEHER, Daniel | Premaydena |
| KNOTT, Angela | Saltwater River |
| MACDONALD, Rod | Nubeena |
| SHARMAN, Jim | Nubeena |
| SPAULDING, Kelly | Highcroft |
| STACEY, Maria | Nubeena |
| Mayor | 2 candidates |
| MACDONALD, Rod | Nubeena |
| SPAULDING, Kelly | Highcroft |
| Deputy Mayor | 1 candidate, no ballot required |
| STACEY, Maria | Nubeena |

## Tasman Council - 2022 Councillor election

Polling closed: 2pm Tuesday 25 October 2022
Returning officer: Peter Moore
Number to be elected: 7

| Count | BEARD | FIELDER | HULL | KELLEHER | KNOTT | MACDONALD | SHARMAN |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 163.00 | 170.00 | 103.00 | 121.00 | 220.00 | 573.00 | 65.00 |
| 2 | 65.74 | 48.00 | 65.74 | 62.09 | 25.04 | -299.00 | 32.35 |
|  | 228.74 | 218.00 | 168.74 | 183.09 | 245.04 | 274.00 | 97.35 |
| 3 | 42.05 | 21.83 | 25.47 | 32.75 | 29.92 |  | 33.96 |
|  | 270.79 | 239.83 | 194.21 | 215.84 | 274.96 | 274.00 | 131.31 |
| 4 | 12.83 | 7.60 | 5.10 | 8.09 |  |  | 5.35 |
|  | 283.62 | 247.43 | 199.31 | 223.93 | 274.96 | 274.00 | 136.66 |
| 5 |  | 0.44 | 0.10 | 0.28 | -0.96 |  | 0.12 |
|  | 283.62 | 247.87 | 199.41 | 224.21 | 274.00 | 274.00 | 136.78 |
| 6 | -9.62 | 3.82 | 1.21 | 2.89 |  |  | 1.49 |
|  | 274.00 | 251.69 | 200.62 | 227.10 | 274.00 | 274.00 | 138.27 |
| 7 to 8 |  | 22.91 | 36.34 | 36.00 |  |  | -97.35 |
|  | 274.00 | 274.60 | 236.96 | 263.10 | 274.00 | 274.00 | 40.92 |
| 9 |  |  | 14.15 | 18.19 |  |  | -33.96 |
|  | 274.00 | 274.60 | 251.11 | 281.29 | 274.00 | 274.00 | 6.96 |


| Electors enrolled: | 2,705 | Declarations admitted: | 2,253 | Informal ballot papers: | 48 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Declarations returned: | 2,287 | Rejection rate: | $1.49 \%$ | Informality rate: | $2.15 \%$ |
| Response rate: | $84.55 \%$ | Ballot paper adjustment: | 17 | Formal ballot papers: | 2,188 |
| Declarations rejected: | 34 | Total ballot papers: | 2,236 |  | Quota $=$ |

## Candidates (cont.)

| SPAULDING | STACEY | Votes <br> Exhausted | Loss (Gain) <br> by Fraction |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | Total Votes $\quad$ Remarks


| 460.00 | 313.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | $2,188.00$ | MACDONALD elected 1, <br> SPAULDING elected 2, <br> STACEY elected 3 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 460.00 | 313.00 | 0.00 | 0.04 | $\mathbf{2 , 1 8 8 . 0 0}$ |  |
| -186.00 |  | 0.00 | 0.02 |  | MACDONALD's surplus distributed |

Tasman Council - Councillor election - first preferences
First preferences by councillor candidate


## Tasman Council - Mayor election

Polling closed: 2pm Tuesday 25 October 2022
Returning officer: Peter Moore

| Electors enrolled: | 2,705 | Ballot paper adjustment: | 20 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Declarations returned: | 2,287 | Total ballot papers: | 2,233 |
| Response rate: | $84.55 \%$ | Informal ballot papers: | 38 |
| Declarations rejected: | 34 | Informality rate: | $1.70 \%$ |
| Declarations admitted: | 2,253 | Formal ballot papers: | 2,195 |


|  |  | Candidates |  | Exhausted votes | Formal votes | Absolute majority | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | MACDONALD Rod | SPAULDING Kelly |  |  |  |  |
| Count 1 | First preferences | 1,181 | 1,014 | n/a | 2,195 | 1,098 | MACDONALD elected |
|  | Percentage | 53.80\% | 46.20\% |  |  |  |  |

First preferences by mayor candidate


## Tasman Council - Deputy Mayor election

1 candidate - no ballot required.
STACEY, Maria elected unopposed.

## Tasman Council - recount results

## Recount due to resignation of Councillor Pam Fenerty

Recount conducted 19 April 2021


## Recount due to resignation of Councillor Andy Griffiths

Recount conducted 9 November 2020

| Candidates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\text { 글 }}$ |  | $\stackrel{\text { m }}{\overline{0}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 웅 } \\ & \text { 을 } \\ & \text { 포 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 오 } \\ & \text { 올응 } \\ & \text { 잉 } \\ & \text { 웅 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |

Remarks

| Counts 1-6 | Total | 40.99 | 22.88 | 31.28 | 21.89 | 10.88 | 17.11 | 57.17 | 1.75 | 0.05 | 204.00 | 101.13 | Distribution of GRIFFITHS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Counts } \\ & 7-10 \end{aligned}$ | Votes transferred | 0.46 | 3.01 | 2.34 | 1.34 | - 10.88 | 2.70 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.03 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SMITH } \\ & \text { excluded } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Progress total | 41.45 | 25.89 | 33.62 | 23.23 | 0.00 | 19.81 | 58.17 | 1.75 | 0.08 | 204.00 | 101.13 |  |
| Counts11-16 | Votes transferred | 1.26 | 7.57 | 4.93 | 3.69 |  | - 19.81 | 1.00 | 1.34 | 0.02 |  |  | STOKES excluded |
|  | Progress total | 42.71 | 33.46 | 38.55 | 26.92 |  | 0.00 | 59.17 | 3.09 | 0.10 | 204.00 | 100.46 |  |
| Counts17-21 | Votes transferred | 6.59 | 3.04 | 6.48 | -26.92 |  |  | 9.13 | 1.66 | 0.02 |  |  | NUTTING excluded |
|  | Progress total | 49.30 | 36.50 | 45.03 | 0.00 |  |  | 68.30 | 4.75 | 0.12 | 204.00 | 99.63 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Counts } \\ & 22-25 \end{aligned}$ | Votes transferred | 9.54 | - 36.50 | 9.30 |  |  |  | 9.86 | 7.80 | 0.00 |  |  | excluded |
|  | Progress total | 58.84 | 0.00 | 54.33 |  |  |  | 78.16 | 12.55 | 0.12 | 204.00 | 95.73 |  |
| Counts26-31 | Votes transferred | 25.45 |  | - 54.33 |  |  |  | 14.83 | 14.07 | -0.02 |  |  | KELLEHER excluded |
|  | Progress total | 84.29 |  | 0.00 |  |  |  | 92.99 | 26.62 | 0.10 | 204.00 | 88.70 | TOMLINSON elected |

## Tasman Council - recount results

## Recount due to resignation of Councillor Rhonda Tomlinson

Recount conducted 7 June 2021

| Candidates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| EARNSHAW | KELLEHER | NUTTING | SMITH | STOKES | Exhausted | Lost by | Total |
| Mick | Dansolute | Ellen | John | Clifford (Dan) | Votes | fraction | Votes majority |

Remarks

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Counts } \\ & 1-6 \end{aligned}$ | Total | 59.03 | 55.00 | 37.16 | 18.07 | 24.04 | 10.68 | 0.02 | 204.00 | 96.67 | Distribution of TOMLINSON |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Counts } \\ & 7-10 \end{aligned}$ | Votes transferred | 2.90 | 4.01 | 4.04 | -18.07 | 3.40 | 3.69 | 0.03 |  |  | SMITH excluded |
|  | Progress total | 61.93 | 59.01 | 41.20 | 0.00 | 27.44 | 14.37 | 0.05 | 204.00 | 94.82 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Counts } \\ & 11-16 \end{aligned}$ | Votes transferred | 10.49 | 8.30 | 5.25 |  | -27.44 | 3.39 | 0.01 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { STOKES } \\ & \text { excluded } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Progress total | 72.42 | 67.31 | 46.45 |  | 0.00 | 17.76 | 0.06 | 204.00 | 93.13 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Counts } \\ & \text { 17-21 } \end{aligned}$ | Votes transferred | 15.04 | 21.62 | -46.45 |  |  | 9.77 | 0.02 |  |  | NUTTING excluded |
|  | Progress total | 87.46 | 88.93 | 0.00 |  |  | 27.53 | 0.08 | 204.00 | 88.24 | KELLEHER <br> elected |

## Tasman Council - elector poll

## Amalgamation of Tasman and Sorell councils

Polling closed: 10am Tuesday 9 April 2019
Returning officer: Kristi Read

| Electors enrolled: | 2,614 | Ballot paper adjustment: | 0 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Declarations returned: | 2,025 | Total ballot papers: | 2,008 |
| Response rate: | $77.47 \%$ | Informal ballot papers: | 3 |
| Declarations rejected: | 17 | Informality rate: | $0.15 \%$ |
| Declarations admitted: | 2,008 | Formal ballot papers: | 2,005 |

## Question

Q. Do you support the amalgamation of Tasman and Sorell councils into one council?

| Response | Yes | No | Total formal votes | Informal ballot papers | Total ballot papers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Votes | 629 | 1,376 | $\mathbf{2 , 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 0 0 8}$ |
| Percentage | $31.37 \%$ | $68.63 \%$ |  | $0.15 \%$ |  |

