



Burnie City Council

2011 election report

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Local Government Elections in Tasmania

Every two years elections are held in all 29 municipal areas for the positions of mayor and deputy mayor and half the councillors. Where required, by-elections are held concurrently for vacancies that have occurred since the last elections.

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission (TEC) supervises the conduct of elections in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*. Elections by postal ballot have been held approximately biennially since 1994, with the next elections due in October 2013.

Since 2000, mayors and deputy mayors have been elected directly by the electors in all municipal areas. Previously, in most councils, mayors and deputy mayors were elected by the councillors at the first meeting of a new council.

Candidate information booklets and complete election results for the state are available from the TEC and are posted on the TEC website www.tec.tas.gov.au.

2011 Election timetable

Notice of election published	Saturday 10 September
Electoral rolls closed	6 pm Thursday 15 September
Nomination period	12 September–12 noon on 26 September
Nominations closed	12 noon Monday 26 September
Nominations announced & draw for ballot paper positions	12 noon Tuesday 27 September
Ballot material delivered to electors	11–14 October
Polling period	11–25 October
Close of poll	10 am Tuesday 25 October

Casual vacancies

Casual vacancies are filled by recount where possible, unless the vacancy occurs within 6 months of a forthcoming election. Only unelected candidates from the relevant election may contest a recount. A candidate elected at a recount serves until the next council election. If a recount is not possible, a by-election is held—with the candidate elected to serve for the remainder of the term of office of the original councillor.

Elector polls

A council may hold an elector poll on any issue it determines. It 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

Voting in Tasmanian local government elections is not compulsory.

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.

Report on the 2011 Burnie City Council Election

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2 year terms, and 4 Councillors (Aldermen) for 4 year terms.

14 006 Burnie City electors were enrolled for the 2011 elections, comprising 13 821 (98.68%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 185 (1.32%) from the General Manager's roll.

60.18% of Burnie City electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 54.28% statewide.

Candidates at the 2011 elections

Mayor		Councillors (Aldermen)		
	BOYD, Alvwyn*	Montello	★ ALTIMIRA, Jim	Natone
★	KONS, Steve	Burnie	ANDERSON, Mick	Upper Burnie
			ARNOL, Shaun (Des)	Hillcrest
			BENTLEY, Robert	Mooreville
Deputy Mayor			★ BLAKE, Ron	Montello
	ALTIMIRA, Jim	Natone	★ BOYD, Alvwyn*	Montello
★	FRENCH, Sandra	Burnie	EDNEY, Darrell	Upper Burnie
	GREEN, Steve	Stowport	★ GREEN, Steve*	Stowport
			LYNCH, Chris	Upper Burnie
			MATTHEWS, Mick	Stowport

★ denotes elected candidate
* denotes seeking re-election

Burnie City Councillors (Aldermen) following the 2011 elections

Mayor	9 Councillors (Aldermen)	
<i>term ends 2013</i>	<i>term ends 2015</i>	<i>term ends 2013</i>
KONS, Steve	BOYD, Alvwyn	KONS, Steve
	GREEN, Steve	DOW, Anita
Deputy Mayor	ALTIMIRA, Jim	SIMPSON, James
<i>term ends 2013</i>	BLAKE, Ron	FRENCH, Sandra
FRENCH, Sandra		RYAN, Malcolm

Burnie City Council - 2011 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Number to be elected: 4

Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Electors enrolled: 14 006

Declarations returned: 8 429

Response: 60.18%

Declarations rejected: 159

Declarations admitted: 8 270

Rejection rate: 1.89%

Ballot paper adjustment: 9

Total ballot papers: 8 261

Formal Votes: 8 167

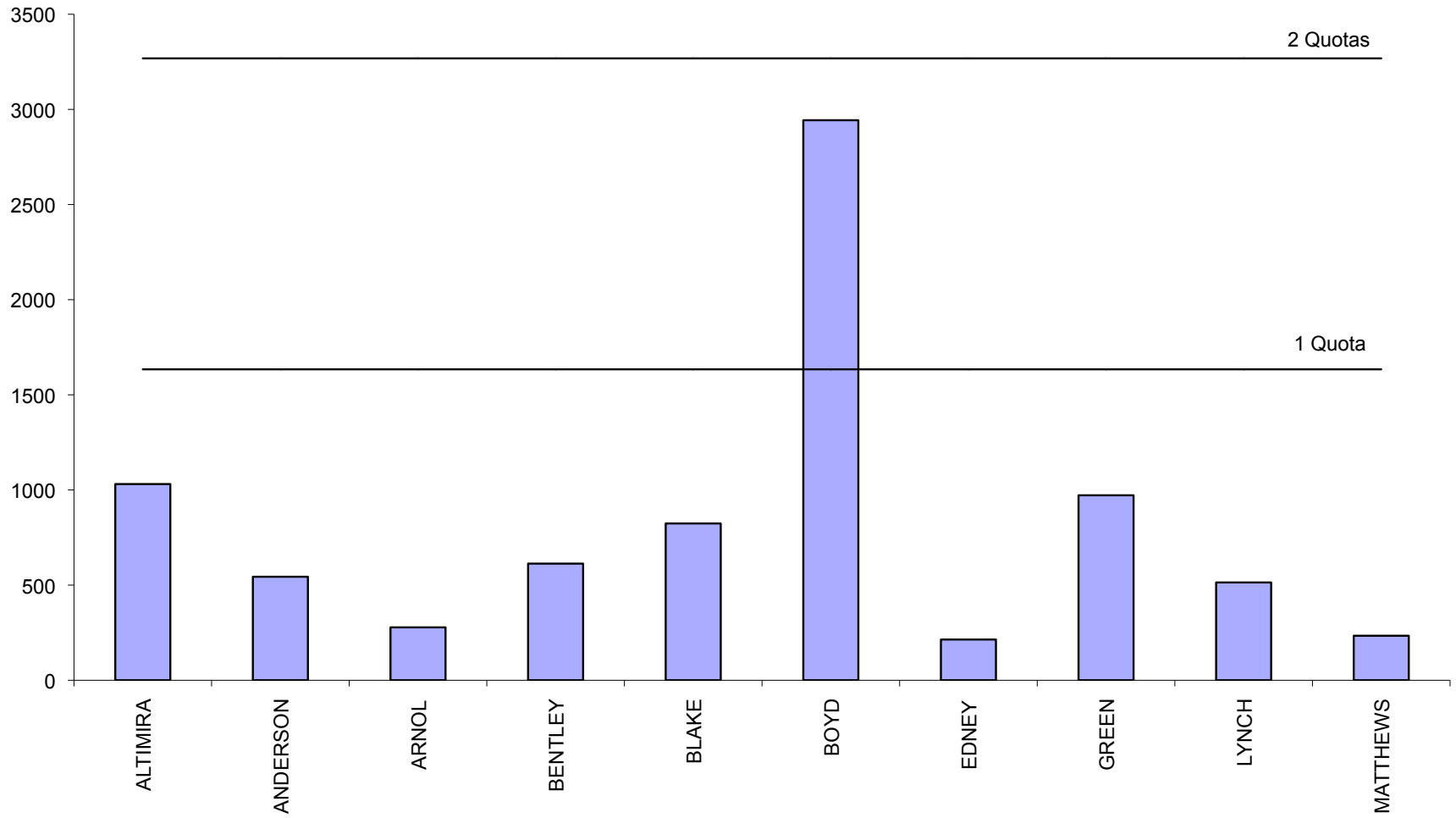
Informal ballot papers: 94

Informality rate: 1.14%

Quota = 1634

Count	ALTIMIRA	ANDERSON	ARNOL	BENTLEY	BLAKE	BOYD	EDNEY	GREEN	LYNCH	MATTHEWS	Votes Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
1	1031.00	544.00	278.00	613.00	824.00	2943.00	214.00	972.00	514.00	234.00			8167.00	BOYD elected 1
2	209.04	72.94	41.36	224.61	237.95	- 1309.00	32.46	338.92	90.29	61.38		0.05		BOYD's surplus distributed
	1240.04	616.94	319.36	837.61	1061.95	1634.00	246.46	1310.92	604.29	295.38		0.05	8167.00	
3 to 4	46.78	32.22	17.22	23.22	22.00		- 246.46	45.22	35.78	24.00		0.02		EDNEY excluded
	1286.82	649.16	336.58	860.83	1083.95	1634.00	0.00	1356.14	640.07	319.38		0.07	8167.00	
5 to 6	59.89	49.11	22.77	39.34	44.67			58.67	44.89	- 319.38		0.04		MATTHEWS excluded
	1346.71	698.27	359.35	900.17	1128.62	1634.00		1414.81	684.96	0.00		0.11	8167.00	
7 to 8	53.89	31.77	- 359.35	47.78	54.00			90.00	81.00		0.88	0.03		ARNOL excluded
	1400.60	730.04	0.00	947.95	1182.62	1634.00		1504.81	765.96		0.88	0.14	8167.00	
9	135.00	- 646.00		112.00	134.00			168.00	93.00		4.00	0.00		ANDERSON part excluded
	1535.60	84.04		1059.95	1316.62	1634.00		1672.81	858.96		4.88	0.14	8167.00	GREEN elected 2
10	13.78	- 84.04		27.57	26.24				13.78		2.66	0.01		ANDERSON excluded
	1549.38	0.00		1087.52	1342.86	1634.00		1672.81	872.74		7.54	0.15	8167.00	
11	12.24			8.54	9.47			- 38.81	7.62		0.92	0.02		GREEN's surplus distributed
	1561.62			1096.06	1352.33	1634.00		1634.00	880.36		8.46	0.17	8167.00	
12	210.00			271.00	220.00				- 746.00		45.00	0.00		LYNCH part excluded
	1771.62			1367.06	1572.33	1634.00		1634.00	134.36		53.46	0.17	8167.00	ALTIMIRA elected 3
13				48.03	63.60				- 126.74		15.12	(0.01)		LYNCH excluded
	1771.62			1415.09	1635.93	1634.00		1634.00	7.62		68.58	0.16	8167.00	BLAKE elected 4

2011 Burnie City Councillor election - first preferences



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Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Mayor

Declarations admitted: 8 270

Formal Votes: 8 207

Ballot paper adjustment: 8

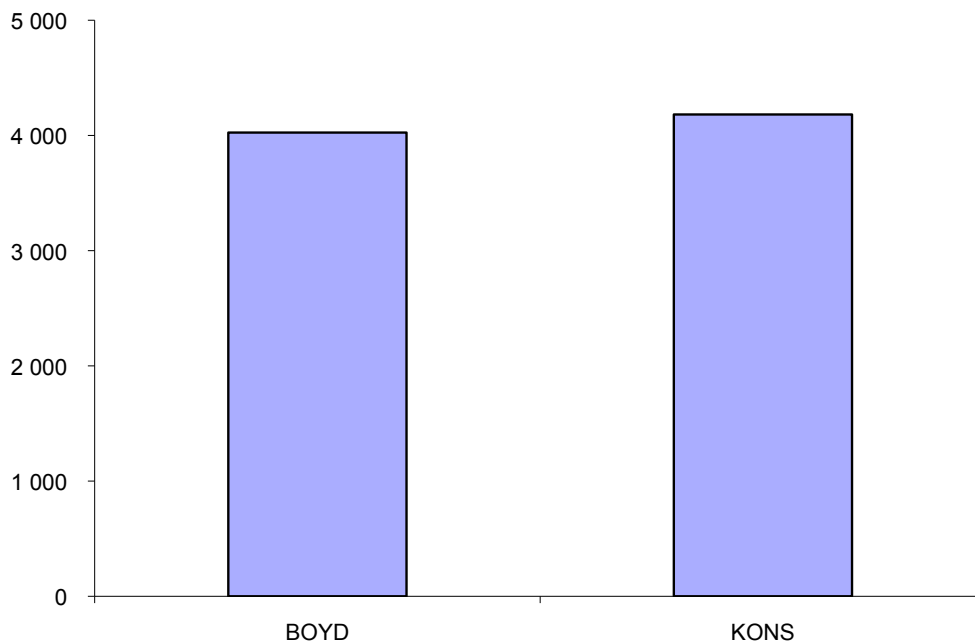
Informal ballot papers: 55

Total ballot papers: 8 262

Informality rate: 0.67%

		Candidates		Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		BOYD	KONS			
Count 1	First Preferences	4 025	4 182	8 207	4 104	KONS elected

2011 Burnie City Mayor election - first preferences



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Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Deputy Mayor

Declarations admitted: 8 270

Ballot paper adjustment: 9

Total ballot papers: 8 261

Formal Votes: 8 191

Informal ballot papers: 70

Informality rate: 0.85%

		Candidates				Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		ALTIMIRA	FRENCH	GREEN	Exhausted			
Count 1	Progress Total	2 217	3 241	2 733	0	8 191	4 096	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	-2 217	797	1 157	263			Altimira excluded
	Progress Total	0	4 038	3 890	263	8 191	3 965	French elected

2011 Burnie City Deputy Mayor election - first preferences

