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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.

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# **Report on the 2011 King Island Council Election**

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

1233 King Island electors were enrolled for the 2011 elections, comprising 1112 (90.19%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 121 (9.81%) from the General Manager's roll.

73.88% of King Island electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 54.28% statewide.

# Candidates at the 2011 elections

	Mayor	Councillors				
	ARNOLD, Charles*	Nugara *	ARNOLD, Charles*	Nugara		
*	BARRATT, Greg	Naracoopa *	BARRATT, Greg*	Naracoopa		
	YOUD, Peter Mervyn	Currie *	CONLEY, Royce*	Lymwood		
			HABERSATT, Dieter	Pegarah		
	<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	*	HANEVEER, Sally	Currie		
*	CONLEY, Royce*	Lymwood	YOUD, Peter Mervyn*	Currie		

<sup>\*</sup> denotes elected candidate

# King Island Councillors following the 2011 elections

Mayor	9 Councillo	rs		
term ends 2013	term ends 2015	term ends 2013		
BARRATT, Greg	HANEVEER, Sally	PHILBEY, Vernon		
Deputy Mayor	ARNOLD, Charles	BREWSTER, David		
erm ends 2013	BARRATT, Greg	McFIE, Duncan		
CONLEY, Royce	CONLEY, Royce	WEITJENS, Joris		
·		BECKMANN, Jacqueline Vanessa		

<sup>\*</sup> denotes seeking re-election

# King Island Council - 2011 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Number to be elected: 4

Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Electors enrolled: 1 233

Declarations returned: 911

Response: 73.88%

Declarations rejected: 27

Declarations admitted: 884

Rejection rate: 2.96%

Ballot paper adjustment: 0

Total ballot papers: 884

Formal Votes: 878

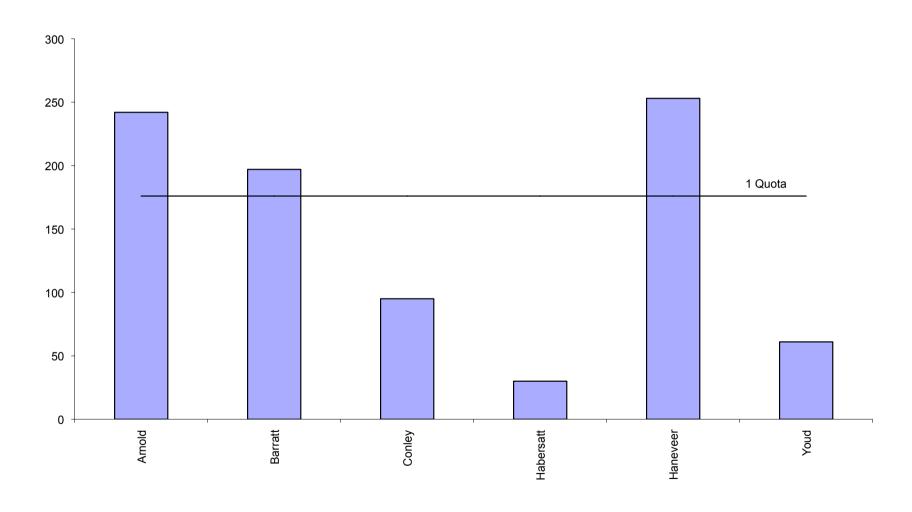
Informal ballot papers: 6

Informality rate: 0.68%

Quota = 176

Count	Arnold	Barratt	Conley	Habersatt	Haneveer	Youd	Votes Exhausted	by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
1	242.00	197.00	95.00	30.00	253.00	61.00	0.00	0.00	878.00	Haneveer elected 1, Arnold elected 2, Barratt elected 3
2			45.65	14.60	- 77.00	16.73	0.00	0.02		Haneveer's surplus distributed
	242.00	197.00	140.65	44.60	176.00	77.73	0.00	0.02	878.00	
3	- 66.00		38.99	15.81		11.18	0.00	0.02		Arnold's surplus distributed
	176.00	197.00	179.64	60.41	176.00	88.91	0.00	0.04	878.00	Conley elected 4

# 2011 King Island Councillor election - first preferences



# **King Island Council**

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011 Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Progress Total

Mayor Declarations admitted: 884

Ballot paper adjustment: 0
Total ballot papers: 884

405

Formal Votes: 875

875

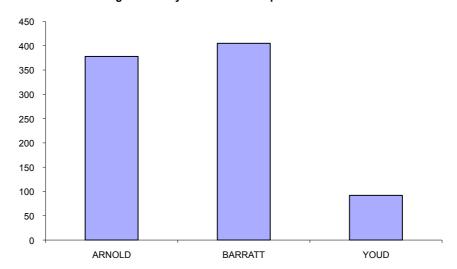
Informal ballot papers: 9
Informality rate: 1.02%

436 Barratt elected

		Candidates						
		ARNOLD	BARRATT	YOUD	Exhausted	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
Count 1	Progress Total	378	405	92	0	875	438	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	27	61	- 92	4			Youd excluded

## 2011 King Island Mayor election - first preferences

466



**Deputy Mayor** — Royce Conley (elected unopposed)