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## Local Government Elections in Tasmania

Tasmania's local government elections were held in September-October 2014. These were the first all-in, all-out elections conducted since the enactment on 20 June 2013 of the Local Government Amendment (Elections) Act 2013 and the making of the Local Government (Number of Councillors) Order 2013, the Local Government (Number of Councillors) Order 2014 and the Local Government (Elections) Order 2013.

The effect of these was to defer the elections, originally scheduled for 2013, until 2014 when all councillors and aldermen, and mayors and deputy mayors, would be elected for a four year term ending in 2018. The terms of office of councillors elected in both 2009 and 2011 ended in 2014.

There was also a reduction in the number of councillors or aldermen to be elected to nine councils in 2014 (see statewide Local government election report 2014 for further details).

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 quadrennial elections due in October 2018.

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.

## 2014 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 13 September
9 9am Monday 15 September
6 pm Thursday 18 September
12 noon Monday 29 September
12 noon Tuesday 30 September
14-17 October
14-28 October
10 am Tuesday 28 October

## Casual vacancies for councillor/alderman

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. If a recount is not possible, a by-election is held. A candidate elected at a recount or by-election serves until the next council election.

## 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 2014 King Island Council Election

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and 9 Councillors, all for 4 year terms.

1254 King Island electors were enrolled for the 2014 elections, comprising 1108 ( $88.36 \%$ ) from the State House of Assembly roll and 146 (11.64\%) from the General Manager's roll.
$82.93 \%$ of King Island electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with $54.58 \%$ statewide.

## Recounts

A recount was conducted on 9 September 2013, to fill a vacancy for Councillor on the King Island Council following the resignation of Charles Arnold on 27 August 2013. Two unelected candidates from the 2011 King Island Council election contested the recount.
An abstract of the count is at the back of this report.

## By-elections

A by-election was held between the 2011 and 2014 elections following the resignation of Joris Weitjens on 21 September 2011. The ballot closed at 10am Tuesday 13 December 2011. Four candidates contested the councillor by-election. An abstract of the count is at the back of this report.

King Island Councillors following the 2014 elections
Mayor
McFIE, Duncan

## Deputy Mayor

COOPER, HJ (Jim)

## 9 Councillors

McFIE, Duncan
CONLEY, Royce
COOPER, HJ (Jim)
HANEVEER, Sally
BENN, Jim
MUNDAY, David
RUSSELL, Kirsty
COLLINS, Douglas Leslie
BOWLING, David

The candidates

King Island Council

| Councillor | 19 candidates (9 to be elected) | Loorana |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| BARNES, Guy Raymond | Grassy |  |
| BECKMANN, Jackie ^ | Loorana |  |
| BENN, Jim * | Currie |  |
| BOWLING, David * | Currie |  |
| CHIVERS, Megan Louise | Currie |  |
| COLLINS, Douglas Leslie * | Lymwood |  |
| CONLEY, Royce *^ | Currie |  |
| COOKE, Ira | Currie |  |
| COOPER, HJ (Jim) * | Nugara |  |
| FISHER, Sue ^ | Pegarah |  |
| GRAHAM, Donald | Currie |  |
| HANEVEER, Sally *^ | Grassy |  |
| JOHNSON, lan | Currie |  |
| McFIE, Duncan *^ | Pegarah |  |
| MUNDAY, David * | Naracoopa |  |
| RUSSELL, Kirsty * | Currie |  |
| WILLIAMS, Mick | Lymwood |  |
| YOUD, Michael | Currie |  |


| Mayor | 2 candidates |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| CONLEY, Royce | Lymwood |  |
| McFIE, Duncan * | Currie |  |


| Deputy Mayor | 5 candidates |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| BECKMANN, Jackie | Grassy |  |
| BENN, Jim | Loorana |  |
| COOPER, HJ $(\mathrm{Jim})^{*}$ | Currie |  |
| HANEVEER, Sally | Currie |  |
| MUNDAY, David | Pegarah |  |

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## King Island Council - 2014 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014
Number to be elected: 9
Returning Officer: Ngaire Edwards

Electors enrolled: 1254
Declarations returned: 1040
Response rate: 82.93\%

Declarations rejected: 13
Declarations admitted: 1027
Rejection rate: 1.25\%

| Count |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 署 } \\ & \sum_{c} \\ & \hline . \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 9 \\ & \underline{O} \\ & \sum \\ & \hline 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 2 \\ & \underline{2} \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { O} \\ & \text { O} \\ & \text { on } \\ & \text { m } \\ & \text { } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 8.00 | 10.00 | 46.00 | 56.00 | 29.00 | 65.00 | 115.00 | 41.00 | 95.00 | 17.00 | 28.00 | 72.00 | 16.00 |
| 2 | 0.00 | 8.38 | 25.14 | 7.33 | 2.09 | 6.28 |  | 2.61 | 19.90 | 2.09 | 1.04 | 10.99 | 1.57 |
|  | 8.00 | 18.38 | 71.14 | 63.33 | 31.09 | 71.28 | 115.00 | 43.61 | 114.90 | 19.09 | 29.04 | 82.99 | 17.57 |
| 3 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 1.43 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.26 | - 15.00 | 0.65 |  | 0.13 | 0.26 | 7.69 | 0.52 |
|  | 8.26 | 18.38 | 72.57 | 63.46 | 31.22 | 71.54 | 100.00 | 44.26 | 114.90 | 19.22 | 29.30 | 90.68 | 18.09 |
| 4 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.00 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 4.31 |  | 1.17 | -14.90 | 0.00 | 0.78 | 0.39 | 0.78 |
|  | 8.65 | 18.77 | 72.57 | 64.24 | 32.00 | 75.85 | 100.00 | 45.43 | 100.00 | 19.22 | 30.08 | 91.07 | 18.87 |
| 5 to 7 | - 8.65 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 6.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |  | 0.00 |  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.39 | 0.00 |
|  | 0.00 | 19.77 | 72.57 | 70.24 | 32.00 | 75.85 | 100.00 | 45.43 | 100.00 | 19.22 | 30.08 | 91.46 | 18.87 |
| 8 to 11 |  | 0.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.13 | 0.39 |  | 1.17 |  | 0.00 | 0.91 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
|  |  | 19.77 | 73.57 | 72.24 | 33.13 | 76.24 | 100.00 | 46.60 | 100.00 | 19.22 | 30.99 | 93.46 | 20.87 |
| 12 to 14 |  | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 2.04 | 1.00 |  | 0.00 |  | - 19.22 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 0.00 |
|  |  | 21.77 | 74.57 | 75.24 | 35.17 | 77.24 | 100.00 | 46.60 | 100.00 | 0.00 | 30.99 | 95.46 | 20.87 |
| 15 to 18 |  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.13 | 3.43 |  | 1.00 |  |  | 8.13 | 1.13 | -20.87 |
|  |  | 21.77 | 74.57 | 76.24 | 36.30 | 80.67 | 100.00 | 47.60 | 100.00 |  | 39.12 | 96.59 | 0.00 |
| 19 to 21 |  | -21.77 | 1.52 | 2.00 | 4.57 | 0.52 |  | 1.04 |  |  | 0.00 | 0.00 |  |
|  |  | 0.00 | 76.09 | 78.24 | 40.87 | 81.19 | 100.00 | 48.64 | 100.00 |  | 39.12 | 96.59 |  |
| 22 |  |  | 5.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |  | 4.00 |  |  | 0.00 | 6.00 |  |
|  |  |  | 81.09 | 81.24 | 42.87 | 83.19 | 100.00 | 52.64 | 100.00 |  | 39.12 | 102.59 |  |
| 23 to 24 |  |  | 0.13 | 0.00 | 0.52 | 0.52 |  | 0.52 |  |  | 0.00 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 81.22 | 81.24 | 43.39 | 83.71 | 100.00 | 53.16 | 100.00 |  | 39.12 | 102.59 |  |
| 25 |  |  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.86 |  | 0.00 |  |  | 0.00 | -2.59 |  |
|  |  |  | 81.22 | 81.24 | 43.82 | 84.57 | 100.00 | 53.16 | 100.00 |  | 39.12 | 100.00 |  |
| 26 |  |  | 20.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 5.00 |  | 0.00 |  |  | - 36.00 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 101.22 | 83.24 | 44.82 | 89.57 | 100.00 | 53.16 | 100.00 |  | 3.12 | 100.00 |  |
| 27 to 29 |  |  |  | 0.91 | 0.00 | 1.43 |  | 0.13 |  |  | -3.12 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 101.22 | 84.15 | 44.82 | 91.00 | 100.00 | 53.29 | 100.00 |  | 0.00 | 100.00 |  |
| 30 |  |  | - 1.22 | 0.24 | 0.06 | 0.54 |  | 0.12 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 100.00 | 84.39 | 44.88 | 91.54 | 100.00 | 53.41 | 100.00 |  |  | 100.00 |  |
| 31 |  |  |  | 6.00 | - 38.00 | 2.00 |  | 3.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 100.00 | 90.39 | 6.88 | 93.54 | 100.00 | 56.41 | 100.00 |  |  | 100.00 |  |
| 32 |  |  |  | 1.04 | -5.22 | 0.52 |  | 1.04 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 100.00 | 91.43 | 1.66 | 94.06 | 100.00 | 57.45 | 100.00 |  |  | 100.00 |  |
| 33 to 36 |  |  |  | 0.71 | - 1.66 | 0.82 |  | 0.13 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 100.00 | 92.14 | 0.00 | 94.88 | 100.00 | 57.58 | 100.00 |  |  | 100.00 |  |
| 37 |  |  |  | 1.45 |  | 0.97 |  | 0.48 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 100.00 | 93.59 |  | 95.85 | 100.00 | 58.06 | 100.00 |  |  | 100.00 |  |
| 38 |  |  |  | 0.35 |  | 0.35 |  | 1.07 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 100.00 | 93.94 |  | 96.20 | 100.00 | 59.13 | 100.00 |  |  | 100.00 |  |
| 39 |  |  |  | 10.00 |  | 9.00 |  | 23.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 100.00 | 103.94 |  | 105.20 | 100.00 | 82.13 | 100.00 |  |  | 100.00 |  |

Ballot paper adjustment: 2
Total ballot papers: 1025

Formal Votes: 996
Informal ballot papers: 29
Informality rate: 2.83\%

Quota $=100$

| $\begin{aligned} & \frac{2}{n} \\ & \frac{1}{17} \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | 3 $\sum_{0}^{2}$ 0 0 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \underline{\Sigma} \\ & \frac{\Sigma}{1} \\ & \frac{1}{5} \\ & \frac{6}{6} \\ & \vdots \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ర } \\ & 0.0 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ర } \\ & \text { O } \\ & \hline 0 \end{aligned}$ | Votes Exhausted | Loss (Gain) by Fraction | Total Votes | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 210.00 | 59.00 | 55.00 | 10.00 | 27.00 | 37.00 |  | 0.00 | 996.00 | McFIE, D. elected 1, CONLEY, R. elected 2 |
| - 110.00 | 13.09 | 4.19 | 0.52 | 3.14 | 1.57 |  | 0.07 |  | McFIE, D.'s surplus distributed |
| 100.00 | 72.09 | 59.19 | 10.52 | 30.14 | 38.57 |  | 0.07 | 996.00 | COOPER, H. elected 3 |
|  | 1.30 | 0.65 | 0.13 | 0.39 | 1.04 |  | 0.03 |  | CONLEY, R.'s surplus distributed |
| 100.00 | 73.39 | 59.84 | 10.65 | 30.53 | 39.61 |  | 0.10 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 1.56 | 1.17 | 1.96 | 0.00 | 0.39 |  | 0.05 |  | COOPER, H.'s surplus distributed |
| 100.00 | 74.95 | 61.01 | 12.61 | 30.53 | 40.00 |  | 0.15 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 0.26 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |  | 0.00 |  | BARNES, G. excluded |
| 100.00 | 75.21 | 62.01 | 12.61 | 30.53 | 40.00 |  | 0.15 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 1.00 | 0.00 | - 12.61 | 1.00 | 0.00 |  | 0.01 |  | WILLIAMS, M. excluded |
| 100.00 | 76.21 | 62.01 | 0.00 | 31.53 | 40.00 |  | 0.16 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 4.04 | 1.00 |  | 0.00 | 3.13 |  | 0.01 |  | FISHER, S. excluded |
| 100.00 | 80.25 | 63.01 |  | 31.53 | 43.13 |  | 0.17 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 3.91 | 1.00 |  | 0.00 | 0.13 |  | 0.01 |  | JOHNSON, I. excluded |
| 100.00 | 84.16 | 64.01 |  | 31.53 | 43.26 |  | 0.18 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 4.91 | 4.14 |  | 1.00 | 2.04 |  | 0.03 |  | BECKMANN, J. excluded |
| 100.00 | 89.07 | 68.15 |  | 32.53 | 45.30 |  | 0.21 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 2.00 | 5.00 |  | - 29.00 | 0.00 |  | 0.00 |  | YOUD, M. part excluded |
| 100.00 | 91.07 | 73.15 |  | 3.53 | 45.30 |  | 0.21 | 996.00 | HANEVEER, S. elected 4 |
|  | 1.04 | 0.65 |  | -3.53 | 0.13 |  | 0.02 |  | YOUD, M. excluded |
| 100.00 | 92.11 | 73.80 |  | 0.00 | 45.43 |  | 0.23 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 1.29 | 0.00 |  |  | 0.00 |  | 0.01 |  | HANEVEER, S.'s surplus distributed |
| 100.00 | 93.40 | 73.80 |  |  | 45.43 |  | 0.24 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 3.00 | 5.00 |  |  | 0.00 |  | 0.00 |  | GRAHAM, D. part excluded |
| 100.00 | 96.40 | 78.80 |  |  | 45.43 |  | 0.24 | 996.00 | BENN, J. elected 5 |
|  | 0.39 | 0.26 |  |  | 0.00 |  | 0.00 |  | GRAHAM, D. excluded |
| 100.00 | 96.79 | 79.06 |  |  | 45.43 |  | 0.24 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 0.12 | 0.12 |  |  | 0.00 |  | 0.02 |  | BENN, J.'s surplus distributed |
| 100.00 | 96.91 | 79.18 |  |  | 45.43 |  | 0.26 | 996.00 |  |
|  | 6.00 | 20.00 |  |  | 1.00 |  | 0.00 |  | CHIVERS, M. part excluded |
| 100.00 | 102.91 | 99.18 |  |  | 46.43 |  | 0.26 | 996.00 | MUNDAY, D. elected 6 |
|  |  | 2.61 |  |  | 0.00 |  | 0.01 |  | CHIVERS, M. part excluded |
| 100.00 | 102.91 | 101.79 |  |  | 46.43 |  | 0.27 | 996.00 | RUSSELL, K. elected 7 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 0.00 |  | 0.00 |  | CHIVERS, M. excluded |
| 100.00 | 102.91 | 101.79 |  |  | 46.43 |  | 0.27 | 996.00 |  |
|  | -2.91 |  |  |  | 0.00 |  | 0.01 |  | MUNDAY, D.'s surplus distributed |
| 100.00 | 100.00 | 101.79 |  |  | 46.43 |  | 0.28 | 996.00 |  |
|  |  | -1.79 |  |  | 0.00 |  | 0.02 |  | RUSSELL, K.'s surplus distributed |
| 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |  |  | 46.43 |  | 0.30 | 996.00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | - 42.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |  | YOUD, P. part excluded |
| 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |  |  | 4.43 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 996.00 | COLLINS, D. elected 8, BOWLING, D. elect |



## King Island Council

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014
Returning Officer: Ngaire Edwards

| Mayor |  | Declaration <br> Ballot pape <br> Total ballot |  | $027$ <br> Total Votes | Absolute Majority | Formal Votes: 1000 <br> Informal ballot papers: 26 <br> Informality rate: 2.53\% <br> Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Count 1 | First preferences | 400 | 600 | 1000 | 501 | McFIE elected |

2014 King Island Mayor election - first preferences


## King Island Council

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014
Returning Officer: Ngaire Edwards


2014 King Island Deputy Mayor election - first preferences


## King Island Council Councillor Recount

Recount due to resignation of Charles Arnold
9 September 2013

| HABERSATT | YOUD |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dieter | Peter | Exhausted <br> Votes | Lost by <br> fraction | Total Votes | | Absolute |
| :---: |
| majority |$\quad$ Remarks

Count 1
79.26
86.54
10.18
$0.02 \quad 176.00$
82.91

Youd elected

## King Island Council Councillor By-election

By-election due to the resignation of Councillor Joris Weitjens
13 December 2011

| Candidates |  |  |  | Exhausted Votes | Total Votes | Absolute majority |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FISHER <br> Sue Melva | McKAY Noel | PATERSON Les | YOUD Peter Mervyn |  |  |  | Remarks |


| Total | 365 | 172 | 56 | 193 |  | 786 | 394 | First preferences |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Votes transferred | 24 | 20 | - 56 | 11 | 1 |  |  | PATERSON excluded |
| Progressive total | 389 | 192 | 0 | 204 | 1 | 786 | 393 |  |
| Votes transferred | 143 | - 192 |  | 41 | 8 |  |  | McKAY excluded |
| Progressive total | 532 | 0 |  | 245 | 9 | 786 | 389 | FISHER elected |


[^0]:    * denotes elected candidate
    ${ }^{\wedge}$ denotes seeking re-election

