

## Local government by-elections



Your vote must be received by 2 pm on Thursday 20 June 2024

## **VOTE LOCAL**

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Tasmanian Electoral Commission

## Information

There are 2 by-elections and an elector poll being held for Glenorchy City Council:

- » 1 councillor 11 candidates
- » Mayor 7 candidates

As well as this booklet, your postal ballot pack contains:

- » 2 sheets of paper (1 containing ballots for councillor and mayor, 1 for the elector poll)
- » a ballot paper envelope you must sign this
- » a reply paid envelope

The elected mayoral candidate can only accept the position if they are either a current councillor or the newly-elected councillor.

The mayor and councillor you elect will serve until October 2026.

For further information, help, or to learn about the TEC's **Impartial Assisted Voting Service**, visit the TEC website or call **1800 801 701**.

Postal services take a number of days, so it is important to complete and return your vote **now**.

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#### Failure to vote may incur a fine.

#### Don't delay – late votes won't be counted!

Scan for the online version of this booklet containing candidate web links where provided, or go to: www.tec.tas.gov.au/glenorchy



## Instructions

Follow these five easy steps:

#### 1. Get to know the candidates

Candidates were invited to provide a statement and photo for your consideration\*.

Statements appear in alphabetical order but the names on the ballot papers are rotated.

The online version of this booklet contains web links where provided by candidates.

#### 2. Record your vote

Number the boxes on each ballot paper from 1 onwards in the order of your choice.

#### 3. Make your vote secret

Put your completed ballot papers in the ballot paper envelope and seal it securely.

#### 4. Validate your vote

Sign your ballot paper envelope – your vote won't be counted if you don't sign.



Then put your ballot paper envelope in the reply-paid envelope and seal it.

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#### 5. Post your vote

Post your reply-paid envelope straight away (no stamp needed), or take your vote to the Glenorchy City Council office.

\*Statements are reproduced substantially as supplied by candidates.

#### ALDERTON, Shane

Candidate for mayor



#### Web link

I bring strong leadership and if elected as mayor I will serve my full term and work hard to achieve the following: advocate for funding to secure a long-term future for the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool; work with community leaders to reduce antisocial behaviour in our community; work with key stakeholders to deliver affordable housing projects to reduce homelessness; build better relationships between council and the community; continue council's plan to encourage business and jobs to come here.

Let's make Glenorchy a place where people feel safe and want to live.

#### **BRANCH-ALLEN**, Jenny

Candidate for councillor

## PHOTO NOT SUPPLIED

## Candidate statement not supplied

#### CREW, Mala

Candidate for councillor, mayor



## Candidate statement not supplied

#### DI FLORIO, Marilena

Candidate for councillor



I have lived in Glenorchy for 13 years and have 16 years' experience working for the Tasmanian Government. I am a small business owner and a Royal Australian Air Force veteran, with extensive experience in management, program and policy development. I am compassionate and believe that everyone has the right to be heard.

My focus on council will be to listen to the people of Glenorchy; ensure fair decision making and promote a clean and safe city. I will be a strong voice, to clearly show how rates are spent and why decisions are made in the best interests of all Glenorchy residents.

#### GILLIE (SHAW), Deanne

Candidate for councillor



I have lived, worked, and raised my family for over 30 years in Glenorchy. I want to see a council who welcomes its members into the chambers and who will actively listen.

I am a chef by trade and a certified support worker. If elected I will put 100% into the role as councillor and follow through with representing my community's best interests. I have been busy this year doing all I could to draw attention to saving the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool. I am an authentic individual who is not politically aligned or has political aspirations. I want value for our rates and better communities.

#### **GRAFANAKIS**, Aris

Candidate for councillor



#### <u>Web link</u>

Hello everyone, I am Aris Grafanakis, a local business owner of Flying Wok in Northgate and former owner of Glenorchy Central Café, Butterflies and Tasty Treats. I am running for Glenorchy City Council to reopen the Glenorchy pool and create jobs for our youth. My experience as a business owner has prepared me to support local businesses, ensure transparency, and promote sustainability. Together, we can build a stronger, vibrant Glenorchy. I look forward to your support and to working together with you for our community.

Best regards, Aris Grafanakis

#### HAMASAKI, Nina

Candidate for councillor



#### <u>Web link</u>

As a renter in Moonah, I understand how hard the housing and cost of living crises are and why action is needed. Born in Japan and raised in rural Tasmania, my upbringing gave me a passion for making our community fair and inclusive. After studying law and languages at UTAS, I have worked hard to make a difference in community legal services, environment protection, and women's leadership programs.

I want to push Council to do more to help with the cost of living, make our community safer and more connected, lead the way on tackling racism, and prioritise local climate action. Vote Greens!

#### HAUBRICK, Matt

Candidate for councillor, mayor



#### <u>Web link</u>

I'll fight for progressive rates that will help renters, homeowners, mortgage payers and local workers by sharing the profits from extortionate landlords and bosses. A building trust to fund hundreds of new public homes in Glenorchy and retrofit existing homes for cheaper, safer energy. A workers' cooperative that will help employ and train people with purposeful caring, construction and maintenance work. Restorative justice, community healing and treaty with the palawa people. Please help our community become a revolutionary democracy together. Solidarity forever!

#### HICKEY, Sue

Candidate for mayor



#### Web link

As Acting Mayor & long-time Glenorchy resident with extensive local government, business, management & community service experience, I'll bring transparency & accountability to decision-making. My background in small business, State, & local government drives my passion for a clean, safe, multicultural & environmentally sustainable city. My priorities are to fix the pool, public facilities, parks, roads, footpaths, rezone land for housing, improve transport, community & other infrastructure. I'll commit to ensuring rates' value & will work to build a more vibrant Glenorchy. suehickey.com.au

#### McCARTHY, Lachlan

Candidate for councillor, mayor



#### <u>Web link</u>

I'm a proud resident of the Glenorchy municipality and I am committed to addressing issues in the community. If elected, I will make the Glenorchy City Council work for you. I will work to address cost of living pressures, promote affordable housing, improve public safety, and enhance public transport.

I will support better local schools, healthcare access, and community engagement. Together, we can make Glenorchy safer, stronger, and better for all families. Glenorchy City Council needs elected members who are dedicated to serving the community's best interests. Vote 1 Lachlan McCarthy.

#### MALONE, Morris

Candidate for councillor



#### <u>Web link</u>

I have been encouraged by many people to stand for alderman in this by-election. Throughout my life it has been great to experience the transformation in our community and the increased vibrancy associated with it. Glenorchy are a proud people! There is still a lot of work to do and some challenges have no easy solutions. But it is going to take a new generation of leadership who can meet these challenges with a modern approach. Council needs members who are able to listen to a diverse range of views. I offer myself as a sensible voice who can balance the many complexities Council confronts.

#### MURRAY, Graham

Candidate for councillor



Glenorchy deserves a council that works in the best interests of its community, a council that makes sensible, transparent and ethical decisions. I am running for Council because I want good governance and better services. What I won't do is use the councillor role to push my own causes or agendas.

What I will do is advocate for reduced costs for residents, improved outcomes for commuters, more housing and push for action on the rail corridor. If elected, I will do everything in my power to reduce waste and improve services, and serve the people of Glenorchy with enthusiasm and respect.

#### STRINGER, Justin

Candidate for councillor, mayor



#### <u>Web link</u>

Growing up in the Glenorchy municipality and now raising my own family in the area, my passion and commitment are to grow our community into a vibrant, safe, affordable and clean city for all to be productive and prosper while keeping with our local history and tradition. We need a vision for the next stage of the city's expansion.

I am working for you - the Glenorchy resident, the taxpayer, the business owner, the families, the sporting and social clubs. Together we will build a safer and more trustful community with a positive vision for the future.

#### YAXLEY, Russell

Candidate for mayor



#### <u>Web link</u>

I'm your strong voice, committed to prioritising people, progress & partnerships. I've heard people want better roads, footpaths & parks. More playspaces, better facilities, less graffiti, a cleaner, safer city & a council that listens to you. With my experience as alderman, I know what it takes.

My collaborative approach & leadership experience offers stability & reliability. I'm focussed on creating a brighter future for you and your family. Together, we can be proud to live in our city. This is my passion, not just a job. I'm ready and able to deliver as mayor. www.russellyaxley.com

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# Elector poll information

Following a public meeting held on Wednesday 27 March 2024 to discuss the urgent repair of the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool and other pool-related concerns, a petition signed by over 1,000 electors was submitted to the Council on Tuesday 23 April 2024 requesting this elector poll in accordance with section 60C of the Local Government Act 1993.

The elector poll includes the following two questions, which are provided on the separate ballot paper:

Do you support the Council, with committed government funding, urgently repairing and reopening the Glenorchy War Memorial Pool?

Should the Council apply for future government funding, to retain the pool and redevelop it into a modern public pool facility that will serve the Glenorchy area for the longer term?

#### Background

The Glenorchy War Memorial Pool (GWMP) was opened in 1963. In July 2023, the pool was closed by the General Manager of the Council after independent engineering and asset management experts undertook an assessment and found a number of safety problems with the facility.

There was community concern regarding the indefinite closure of the pool. To provide for the longer term, participants at the public meeting raised the need for Council to retain and reopen the pool and then develop more modern pool facilities.

A consultant report provided to the Council found, "The closure of the GWMP has resulted in a decline in swimming activity in the region with many swimmers deciding to stop swimming entirely and school carnivals not being able to go ahead or enduring significant challenges due to a lack of capacity in the region."

Recently the State Government committed \$5 million to the Council to enable the repair of the immediate problems and allow the pool to reopen. It is expected that these repairs will only enable the pool to remain open for another 5-10 years.

In August 2023 the Council engaged consultants to undertake a redevelopment consultation project. The project aim is to consider various longer-term uses for the site, proposing a number of pool and non-pool options. After the first round of consultation, the community has strongly supported three different pool options. The consultation project is expected to be completed in August 2024.

It is expected that the cost of a larger redevelopment of the site will be significantly higher than the \$5 million cost associated with repairing and reopening the pool.

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