



Devonport City Council 2000 election report

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Local Government Elections in Tasmania

Every second (even) year elections are held in all 29 councils for the positions of mayor and deputy mayor and half the councillor positions. Where required, by-elections are held concurrently for vacancies that have occurred since the last elections.

The Tasmanian Electoral Office (TEO) supervises the conduct of elections in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*. Elections by postal ballot have been held in 1994, 1996, 1999 (deferred from 1998) and 2000, with the next elections due in October 2002.

Following recent changes to the Act, mayors and deputy mayors were elected directly by the electors in each municipal area for the first time in 2000.

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

2000 Election timetable

| | |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Notice of election published | Saturday 16 September |
| Electoral rolls closed | 6 pm Thursday 21 September |
| Nomination period | 25 September— 12 noon on 4 October |
| Nominations closed | 12 noon Wednesday 4 October |
| Nominations announced & draw for ballot paper positions | 12 noon Thursday 5 October |
| Ballot material delivered to electors | 17–20 October |
| Polling period | 17–31 October |
| Close of poll | 10 am Tuesday 31 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 2000 Devonport City Council Election

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2 year terms and 6 Councillors (Aldermen) for 4 year terms.

17371 Devonport City electors were enrolled for the 2000 elections, comprising 17106 (98.47%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 265 (1.52%) from the General Manager's roll.

55.42% of Devonport City electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 57.78% statewide.

Candidates at the 2000 elections

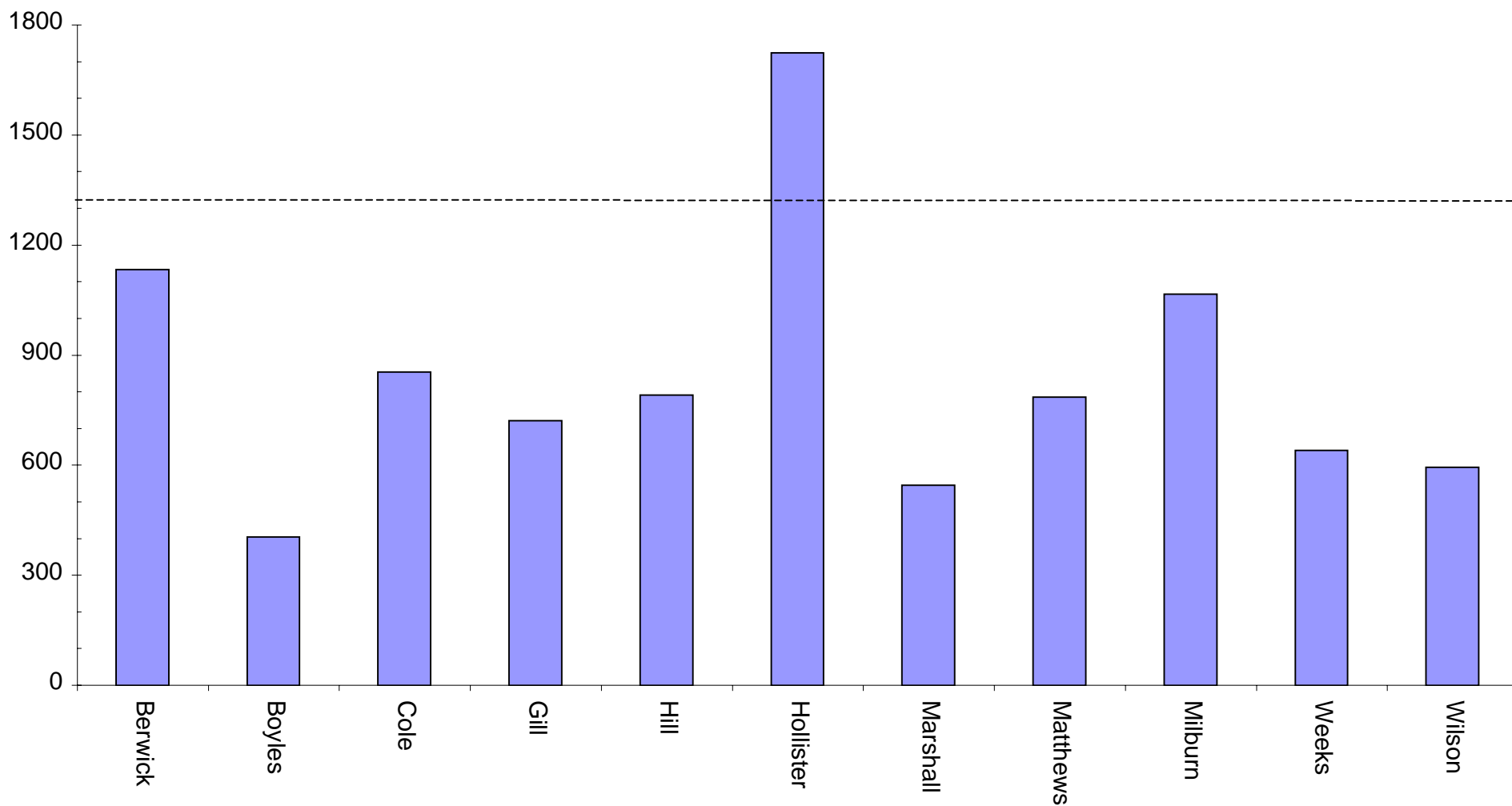
| Mayor | | Councillors (Aldermen) | |
|---------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| ★ BINKS, Mary* | Devonport | ★ BERWICK, Kerry* | Devonport |
| | | BOYLES, Max | Devonport |
| | | ★ COLE, Brian (Snapper) | South Spreyton |
| | | ★ GILL, Marie Patricia | East Devonport |
| Deputy Mayor | | HILL, Maurice W | Devonport |
| BYRNE, Clarrie* | Devonport | ★ HOLLISTER, Peter* | Shearwater |
| GOODWIN, Grant | East Devonport | MARSHALL, R J (Bob) * | Devonport |
| ★ HOLLISTER, Peter | Shearwater | ★ MATTHEWS, Jeff * | Spreyton |
| | | ★ MILBURN, Graeme | Devonport |
| | | WEEKS, Kate | Devonport |
| | | WILSON, Bill* | Devonport |

★ denotes elected candidate
* denotes seeking re-election

Devonport City Councillors following the 2000 elections

| Mayor | Councillors (Aldermen) | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>term ends 2002</i> | <i>term ends 2004</i> | <i>term ends 2002</i> |
| BINKS Mary | HOLLISTER Peter | BINKS Mary |
| Deputy Mayor | BERWICK Kerry | BYRNE Clarrie |
| <i>Term ends 2002</i> | MILBURN Graeme | GOODWIN Grant |
| HOLLISTER Peter | MATTHEWS Jeff | COLBECK Richard |
| | COLE Brian (Snapper) | BARDEN Rodney Noel |
| | GILL Marie Patricia | WHITTLE Kerry John |

Devonport City Council - 2000 Councillor (Aldermen) first preferences



Councillor (Aldermen) distribution of preferences

Devonport City Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

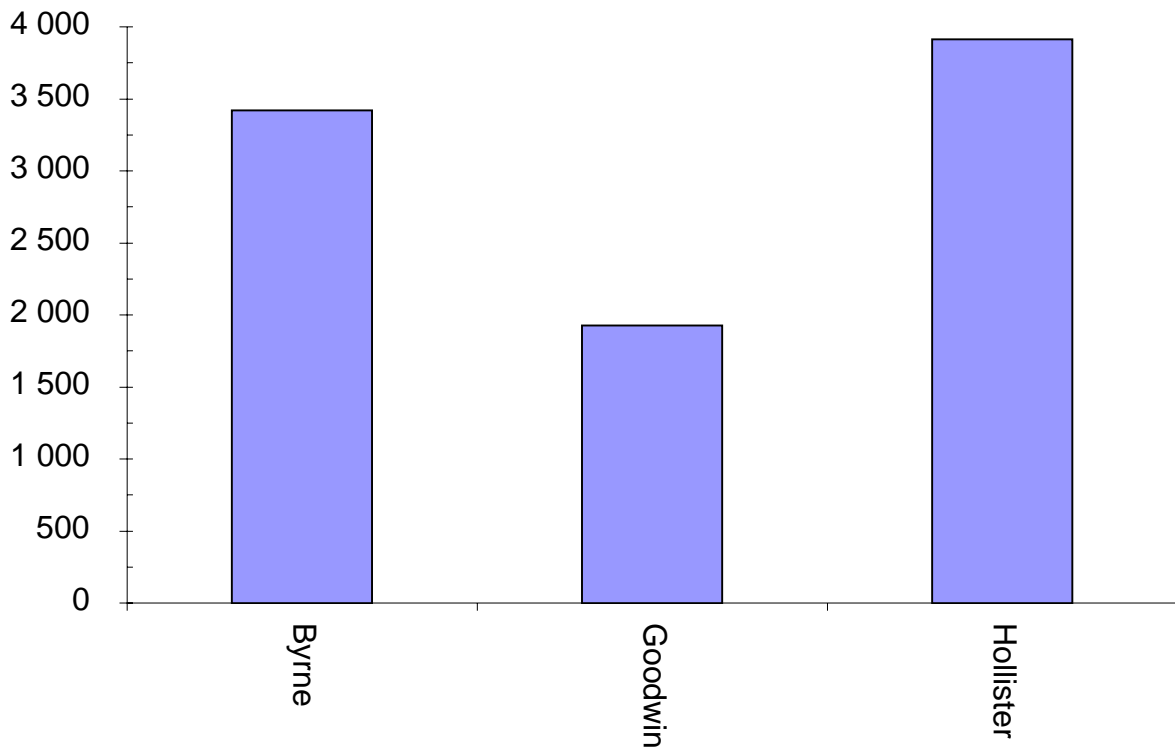
Number to be elected : 6

Returning Officer : Mr David Sales

Electors enrolled : 17 371 Declarations rejected : 210 Ballot paper adjustment : 5 Formal votes : 9 250
 Declarations returned : 9 627 Declarations admitted : 9 417 Total ballot papers : 9 412 Informal ballot papers : 162
 Response 55.42% Rejection rate : 2.18% Informality rate : 1.72%

| | CANDIDATES | | | | | | | | | | | Total Votes | Loss (Gain) by Fraction | Remarks |
|-----------------|------------|---------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|--------|----------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | Berwick | Boyles | Cole | Gill | Hill | Hollister | Marshall | Matthews | Milburn | Weeks | Wilson | | | |
| Count 1 | 1 133.00 | 404.00 | 853.00 | 720.00 | 791.00 | 1 723.00 | 544.00 | 785.00 | 1 065.00 | 639.00 | 593.00 | 9 250.00 | 0.05 | Hollister elected 1 |
| Count 2 | 66.32 | 22.57 | 57.01 | 21.17 | 26.76 | -401.00 | 32.81 | 57.25 | 52.13 | 35.84 | 29.09 | 9 250.00 | 0.05 | Hollister's surplus distributed |
| Counts 3 to 4 | 1 199.32 | 426.57 | 910.01 | 741.17 | 817.76 | 1 322.00 | 576.81 | 842.25 | 1 117.13 | 674.84 | 622.09 | 9 250.00 | 0.05 | Boyles excluded |
| Count 5 | 62.79 | -426.57 | 81.65 | 35.16 | 41.32 | | 25.62 | 43.02 | 71.02 | 30.62 | 35.32 | 9 250.00 | 0.10 | Boyles excluded |
| Count 6 | 1 262.11 | 0.00 | 991.66 | 776.33 | 859.08 | 1 322.00 | 602.43 | 885.27 | 1 188.15 | 705.46 | 657.41 | 9 250.00 | 0.00 | Marshall part excluded |
| Count 7 | 112.00 | | 63.00 | 44.00 | 67.00 | -568.00 | | 92.00 | 87.00 | 38.00 | 65.00 | 9 250.00 | 0.10 | Berwick elected 2 |
| Count 8 | 1 374.11 | | 1 054.66 | 820.33 | 926.08 | 1 322.00 | 34.43 | 977.27 | 1 275.15 | 743.46 | 722.41 | 9 250.00 | 0.02 | Marshall fully excluded |
| Count 9 | 1 374.11 | | 3.49 | 3.02 | 4.88 | | -34.43 | 5.58 | 7.44 | 2.79 | 7.21 | 9 250.00 | 0.12 | Berwick's surplus distributed |
| Count 10 | -52.11 | | 1 058.15 | 823.35 | 930.96 | 1 322.00 | 0.00 | 982.85 | 1 282.59 | 746.25 | 729.62 | 9 250.00 | 0.03 | Berwick's surplus distributed |
| Count 11 | 1 322.00 | | 7.44 | 3.72 | 8.37 | | 10.70 | 6.04 | 3.72 | 12.09 | | 9 250.00 | 0.15 | Wilson part excluded |
| Count 12 | 1 322.00 | | 1 065.59 | 827.07 | 939.33 | 1 322.00 | 993.55 | 1 288.63 | 749.97 | 741.71 | | 9 250.00 | 0.00 | Wilson part excluded |
| Counts 9 to 10 | 1 322.00 | | 93.00 | 63.00 | 148.00 | | 204.00 | 131.00 | 52.00 | -691.00 | | 9 250.00 | 0.15 | Milburn elected 3 |
| Count 13 | 1 322.00 | | 1 158.59 | 890.07 | 1 087.33 | 1 322.00 | 1 197.55 | 1 419.63 | 801.97 | 50.71 | | 9 250.00 | 0.03 | Wilson fully excluded |
| Count 14 | 1 322.00 | | 7.67 | 5.11 | 9.53 | | 21.63 | | 6.74 | -50.71 | | 9 250.00 | 0.18 | Milburn's surplus distributed |
| Count 15 | 1 322.00 | | 1 166.26 | 895.18 | 1 096.86 | 1 322.00 | 1 219.18 | 1 419.63 | 808.71 | 0.00 | | 9 250.00 | 0.02 | Milburn's surplus distributed |
| Count 16 | 1 322.00 | | 12.66 | 21.61 | 19.37 | | 29.81 | -97.63 | 14.16 | | | 9 250.00 | 0.20 | Weeks part excluded |
| Counts 13 to 15 | 1 322.00 | | 1 178.92 | 916.79 | 1 116.23 | 1 322.00 | 1 248.99 | 1 322.00 | 822.87 | | | 9 250.00 | 0.00 | Weeks part excluded |
| Count 17 | 1 322.00 | | 176.00 | 348.00 | 112.00 | | 122.00 | | -758.00 | | | 9 250.00 | 0.20 | Matthews elected 4, Cole elected 5 |
| Count 18 | 1 322.00 | | 1 354.92 | 1 264.79 | 1 228.23 | 1 322.00 | 1 370.99 | 1 322.00 | 64.87 | | | 9 250.00 | 0.01 | Weeks fully excluded |
| Count 19 | 1 322.00 | | 41.00 | 20.33 | | | | | -64.87 | | | 9 250.00 | 3.53 | Matthews' surplus distributed |
| Count 20 | 1 322.00 | | 1 354.92 | 1 305.79 | 1 248.56 | 1 322.00 | 1 370.99 | 1 322.00 | 0.00 | | | 9 250.00 | 0.21 | Matthews' surplus distributed |
| Count 21 | 1 322.00 | | 28.51 | 15.66 | | | -48.99 | | | | | 9 250.00 | 0.01 | Matthews' surplus distributed |
| Count 22 | 1 322.00 | | 1 354.92 | 1 334.30 | 1 264.22 | 1 322.00 | 1 322.00 | 1 322.00 | | | | 9 250.00 | 0.22 | Gill elected 6 |

Devonport City Council – 2000 Deputy Mayor first preferences



Devonport City Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

Returning Officer : Mr David Sales

Electors enrolled : 17 371

Declarations returned : 9 627

Response 55.42%

Mayor — Mary Binks

Elected unopposed

Deputy Mayor

Ballot paper adjustment : 5

Total ballot papers : 9 412

Formal votes : 9 249

Informal ballot papers : 163

Informality Rate : 1.73%

| | | CANDIDATES | | | Exhausted Votes | Total Votes | Remarks |
|---------|-------------------|------------|---------|-----------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | | Byrne | Goodwin | Hollister | | | |
| Count 1 | Total | 3 416 | 1 923 | 3 910 | | 9 249 | |
| Count 2 | Votes transferred | 797 | -1 923 | 936 | 190 | | Goodwin excluded |
| | Progress totals | 4 213 | 0 | 4 846 | 190 | 9 249 | Hollister Elected |