

Dorset 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 Dorset Council Election

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2 year terms, 5 Councillors for 4 year terms, and one by-election for a Councillor for a 2 year term.

5405 Dorset electors were enrolled for the 2000 elections, comprising 5090 (94.17%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 315 (5.82%) from the General Manager's roll.

68.23% of Dorset electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 57.78% statewide.

Candidates at the 2000 elections

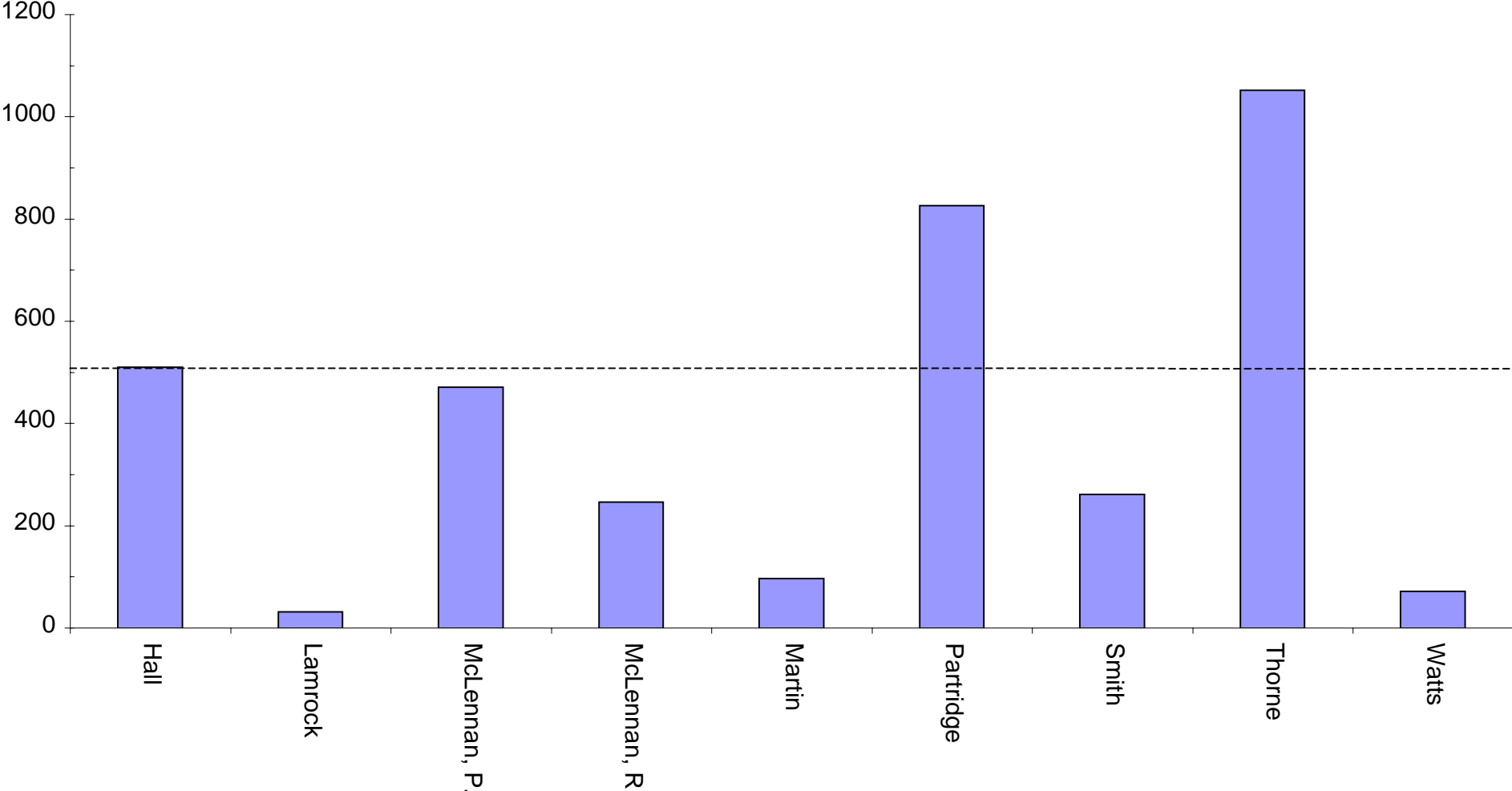
Mayor		Councillors	
★ THORNE, Yvonne R*	Derby	★ HALL, Max	Scottsdale
		LAMROCK, Bruce	Scottsdale
		★ McLENNAN, Peter	Scottsdale
		★ McLENNAN, Roger M	Bridport
		MARTIN, Sheryl Yvonne*	Jetsonville
Deputy Mayor		★ PARTRIDGE, Peter William*	Scottsdale
★ PARTRIDGE, Peter William	Scottsdale	★ SMITH, Robert C	Derby
RATTRAY-WAGNER, Tania	Scottsdale	★ THORNE, Yvonne R*	Derby
RICE, Ron	Bridport	WATTS, Adrian	Nabowla

★ denotes elected candidate
* denotes seeking re-election

List of Dorset Councillors (following the 2000 elections)

Mayor	Councillors	
<i>term ends 2002</i>	<i>term ends 2004</i>	<i>term ends 2002</i>
THORNE Yvonne	THORNE Yvonne	RATTRAY-WAGNER Tania
Deputy Mayor	PARTRIDGE Peter William	RICE Ron
<i>term ends 2002</i>	HALL Max	THOMPSON Pat
PARTRIDGE Peter William	McLENNAN Peter	SMITH Robert C
	McLENNAN Roger M	

Dorset Council - 2000 Councillor first preferences



Councillor distribution of preferences

Dorset Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

Number to be elected : 6

Returning Officer : Mr Joseph Brewin

Electors enrolled : 5 405

Declarations rejected : 59

Ballot paper adjustment : 6

Formal votes : 3 564

Declarations returned : 3 688

Declarations admitted : 3 629

Total ballot papers : 3 623

Informal ballot papers : 59

Response 68.23%

Rejection rate : 1.60%

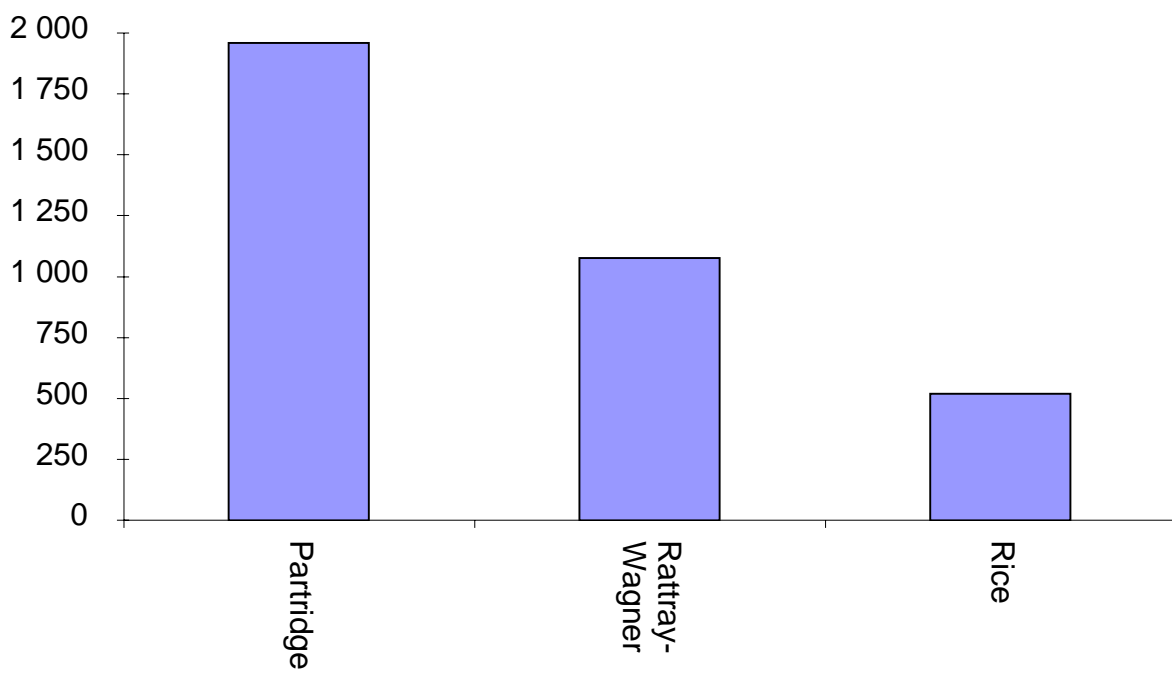
Informality rate : 1.62%

CANDIDATES

Quota = 510

	Hall	Lamrock	McLennan, P.	McLennan, R.	Martin	Partridge	Smith	Thorne	Watts	Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
Count 1	510.00	31.00	471.00	246.00	96.00	826.00	261.00	1 052.00	71.00			3 564.00	Thorne elected 1, Partridge elected 2, Hall elected 3
Count 2	510.00	8.24	174.65	93.76	125.71	826.00	117.46	- 542.00	22.15	0.03	0.03	3 564.00	Thorne surplus distributed
Count 3	510.00	39.24	645.65	339.76	221.71	826.00	378.46	510.00	93.15	0.03	0.03	3 564.00	McLennan, P. elected 4
Count 4	510.00	12.24	105.97	83.78	83.78	- 316.00	77.27	510.00	36.72	0.02	0.02	3 564.00	Partridge's surplus distributed
Count 5	510.00	51.48	645.65	445.73	305.49	510.00	455.73	510.00	129.87	0.05	0.05	3 564.00	McLennan, P.'s surplus distributed
Count 6	510.00	2.40	- 135.65	59.22	35.21		25.20	510.00	13.60	0.02	0.02	3 564.00	McLennan, P.'s surplus distributed
Count 7	510.00	53.88	510.00	504.95	340.70	510.00	480.93	510.00	143.47	0.07	0.07	3 564.00	Lamrock part excluded
Count 8	510.00	- 31.00	10.00	10.00	9.00		7.00	510.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	3 564.00	Lamrock part excluded
Count 9	510.00	22.88	510.00	514.95	349.70	510.00	487.93	510.00	148.47	0.07	0.07	3 564.00	McLennan, R. elected 5
Count 10	510.00	- 22.88		6.32			10.00	510.00	6.16	0.38	0.02	3 564.00	Lamrock fully excluded
Count 11	510.00	0.00	510.00	514.95	356.02	510.00	497.93	510.00	154.63	0.38	0.09	3 564.00	McLennan, R.'s surplus distributed
Count 12	510.00		- 4.95	1.98	1.98		1.48	510.00	1.48	0.00	0.01	3 564.00	McLennan, R.'s surplus distributed
Count 13	510.00	510.00	510.00	358.00	358.00	510.00	499.41	510.00	156.11	0.38	0.10	3 564.00	Watts part excluded
Count 14	510.00			49.00	49.00		26.00	510.00	- 76.00	1.00	0.00	3 564.00	Watts part excluded
Count 15	510.00	510.00	510.00	407.00	407.00	510.00	525.41	510.00	80.11	1.38	0.10	3 564.00	Smith elected 6

Dorset Council – 2000 Deputy Mayor first preferences



Dorset Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 23 March 1999

Returning Officer: Mr Joseph Brewin

Electors enrolled : 5 405

Declarations returned : 3 688

Response 68.23%

Mayor — Yvonne R Thorne

Elected unopposed

Deputy Mayor

Ballot paper adjustment : 6

Total ballot papers : 3 623

Formal votes : 3 551

Informal ballot papers : 72

Informality Rate : 1.98%

		CANDIDATES				
		Partridge	Rattray-Wagner	Rice	Total Votes	Remarks
Count 1	Total	1 959	1 074	518	3 551	Partridge Elected