



# Tasman Council

## 2014 election report

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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](http://www.tec.tas.gov.au).

### 2014 Election timetable

|                                      |                              |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Notice of election published         | Saturday 13 September        |
| Nominations opened                   | 9am Monday 15 September      |
| Electoral rolls closed               | 6 pm Thursday 18 September   |
| Nominations closed                   | 12 noon Monday 29 September  |
| Nominations announced                | 12 noon Tuesday 30 September |
| Ballot material received by electors | 14–17 October                |
| Polling period                       | 14–28 October                |
| Close of poll                        | 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 Tasman Council Election**

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and 7 Councillors, all for 4 year terms.

2 340 Tasman electors were enrolled for the 2014 elections, comprising 1 816 (77.61%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 524 (22.39%) from the General Manager's roll.

70.77% of Tasman electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 54.58% statewide.

### **Tasman Councillors following the 2014 elections**

#### **Mayor**

HEYWARD, Roseanne

#### **Deputy Mayor**

SPAULDING, Kelly

#### **7 Councillors**

HEYWARD, Roseanne

HULL, Alan

STACEY, Maria

FENERTY, Pam

SPAULDING, Kelly

MACDONALD, David

LARNER, Roger

## The candidates

### Tasman Council

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#### Councillor

11 candidates (7 to be elected)

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| ALEXANDER, Gary ^    | Nubeena        |
| FENERTY, Pam *^      | Eaglehawk Neck |
| HEYWARD, Roseanne *^ | Koonya         |
| HULL, Alan *^        | Sloping Main   |
| LARNER, Roger *^     | Port Arthur    |
| MACDONALD, David *   | Koonya         |
| MOSER, Dave          | Eaglehawk Neck |
| SELF, Roger John ^   | Eaglehawk Neck |
| SKEGGS, Glenn ^      | White Beach    |
| SPAULDING, Kelly *   | Highcroft      |
| STACEY, Maria *      | Nubeena        |

#### Mayor

4 candidates

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| HEYWARD, Roseanne * | Koonya         |
| HULL, Alan          | Sloping Main   |
| LARNER, Roger       | Port Arthur    |
| SELF, Roger John    | Eaglehawk Neck |

#### Deputy Mayor

4 candidates

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| ALEXANDER, Gary    | Nubeena        |
| FENERTY, Pam       | Eaglehawk Neck |
| MOSER, Dave        | Eaglehawk Neck |
| SPAULDING, Kelly * | Highcroft      |

\* denotes elected candidate

^ denotes seeking re-election

# Tasman Council - 2014 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014

Electors enrolled: 2 340

Declarations rejected: 37

Ballot paper adjustment: 4

Formal Votes: 1 586

Number to be elected: 7

Declarations returned: 1 656

Declarations admitted: 1 619

Total ballot papers: 1 615

Informal ballot papers: 29

Returning Officer: Maree Ward

Response rate: 70.77%

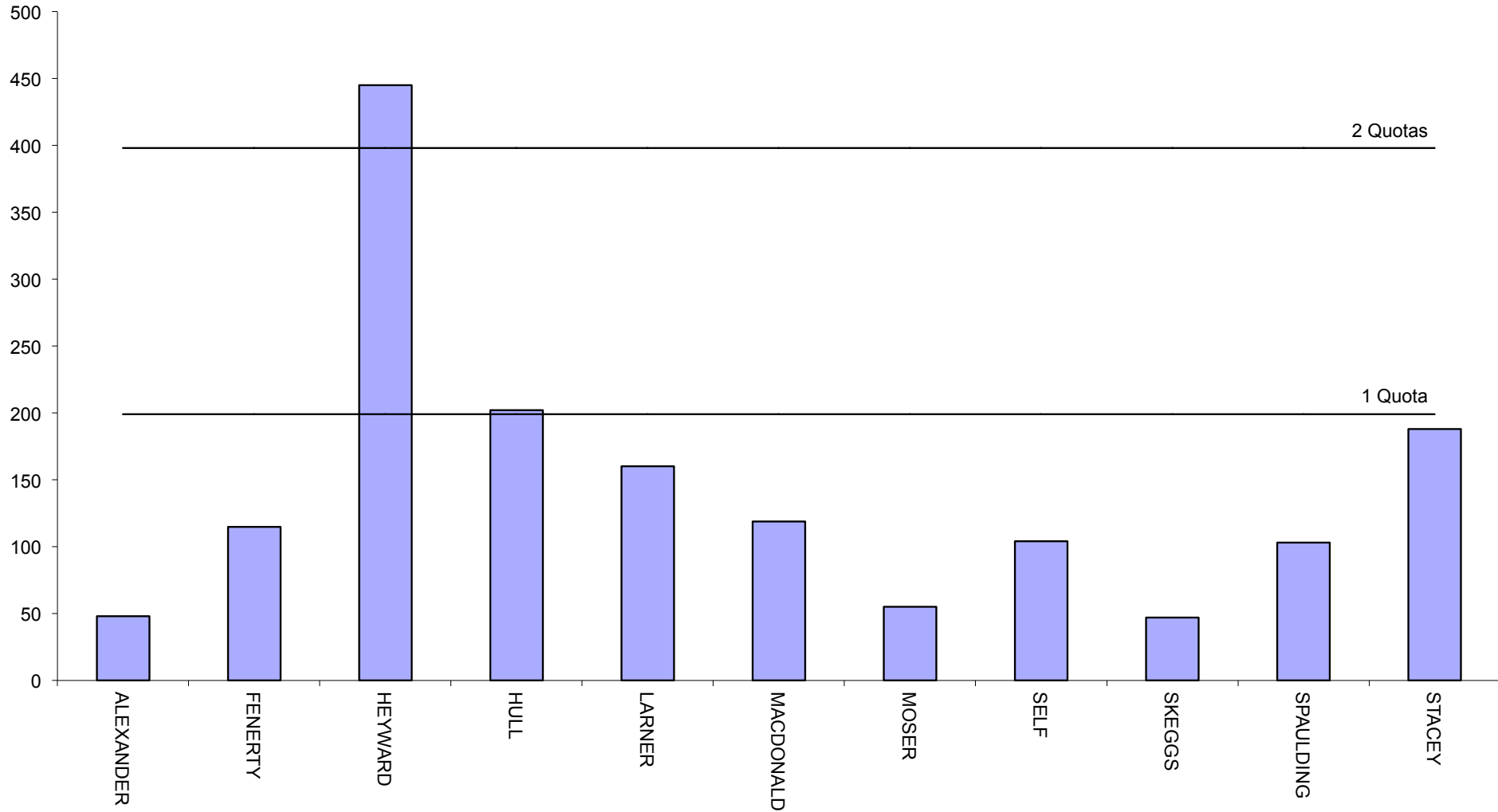
Rejection rate: 2.23%

Informality rate: 1.80%

Quota = 199

| Count    | ALEXANDER | FENERTY | HEYWARD  | HULL   | LARNER | MACDONALD | MOSER   | SELF   | SKEGGS  | SPAULDING | STACEY  | Votes Exhausted | Loss (Gain) by Fraction | Total Votes | Remarks                                |
|----------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|---------|-----------|---------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------------|
| 1        | 48.00     | 115.00  | 445.00   | 202.00 | 160.00 | 119.00    | 55.00   | 104.00 | 47.00   | 103.00    | 188.00  |                 | 0.00                    | 1586.00     | HEYWARD elected 1, HULL elected 2      |
| 2        | 12.71     | 40.90   | - 246.00 |        | 9.95   | 16.03     | 55.28   | 6.08   | 6.08    | 55.83     | 43.11   |                 | 0.03                    |             | HEYWARD's surplus distributed          |
| 3        | 60.71     | 155.90  | 199.00   | 202.00 | 169.95 | 135.03    | 110.28  | 110.08 | 53.08   | 158.83    | 231.11  |                 | 0.03                    | 1586.00     | STACEY elected 3                       |
| 4        | 0.35      | 0.40    |          | - 3.00 | 0.38   | 0.56      | 0.23    | 0.19   | 0.47    | 0.38      |         |                 | 0.04                    |             | HULL's surplus distributed             |
| 5 to 8   | 61.06     | 156.30  | 199.00   | 199.00 | 170.33 | 135.59    | 110.51  | 110.27 | 53.55   | 159.21    | 231.11  |                 | 0.07                    | 1586.00     |                                        |
| 9 to 12  | 1.64      | 3.29    |          |        | 0.82   | 2.88      | 9.46    | 1.64   | 1.23    | 11.11     | - 32.11 |                 | 0.04                    |             | STACEY's surplus distributed           |
| 13       | 62.70     | 159.59  | 199.00   | 199.00 | 171.15 | 138.47    | 119.97  | 111.91 | 54.78   | 170.32    | 199.00  |                 | 0.11                    | 1586.00     |                                        |
| 14       | 10.55     | 8.05    |          |        | 2.65   | 14.18     | 1.42    | 10.62  | - 54.78 | 7.26      |         |                 | 0.05                    |             | SKEGGS excluded                        |
| 15 to 16 | 73.25     | 167.64  | 199.00   | 199.00 | 173.80 | 152.65    | 121.39  | 122.53 | 0.00    | 177.58    | 199.00  |                 | 0.16                    | 1586.00     |                                        |
| 17       | - 73.25   | 18.45   |          |        | 3.60   | 26.03     | 4.92    | 10.51  |         | 9.70      |         |                 | 0.04                    |             | ALEXANDER excluded                     |
|          | 0.00      | 186.09  | 199.00   | 199.00 | 177.40 | 178.68    | 126.31  | 133.04 |         | 187.28    | 199.00  |                 | 0.20                    | 1586.00     |                                        |
|          |           | 22.00   |          |        | 10.00  | 9.00      | - 59.00 | 4.00   |         | 14.00     |         |                 | 0.00                    |             | MOSER part excluded                    |
|          |           | 208.09  | 199.00   | 199.00 | 187.40 | 187.68    | 67.31   | 137.04 |         | 201.28    | 199.00  |                 | 0.20                    | 1586.00     | FENERTY elected 4, SPAULDING elected 5 |
|          |           |         |          |        | 6.63   | 37.59     | - 56.38 | 12.16  |         |           |         |                 | 0.00                    |             | MOSER part excluded                    |
|          |           | 208.09  | 199.00   | 199.00 | 194.03 | 225.27    | 10.93   | 149.20 |         | 201.28    | 199.00  |                 | 0.20                    | 1586.00     | MACDONALD elected 6                    |
|          |           |         |          |        | 1.78   |           | - 10.93 | 7.50   |         |           |         | 1.64            | 0.01                    |             | MOSER excluded                         |
|          |           | 208.09  | 199.00   | 199.00 | 195.81 | 225.27    | 0.00    | 156.70 |         | 201.28    | 199.00  | 1.64            | 0.21                    | 1586.00     |                                        |
|          |           | - 9.09  |          |        | 3.71   |           |         | 4.95   |         |           |         | 0.41            | 0.02                    |             | FENERTY's surplus distributed          |
|          | 199.00    | 199.00  | 199.00   | 199.00 | 199.52 | 225.27    |         | 161.65 |         | 201.28    | 199.00  | 2.05            | 0.23                    | 1586.00     | LARNER elected 7                       |

## 2014 Tasman Councillor election - first preferences



# Tasman Council

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014

Returning Officer: Maree Ward

## Mayor

Declarations admitted: 1 619

Formal Votes: 1 602

Ballot paper adjustment: 4

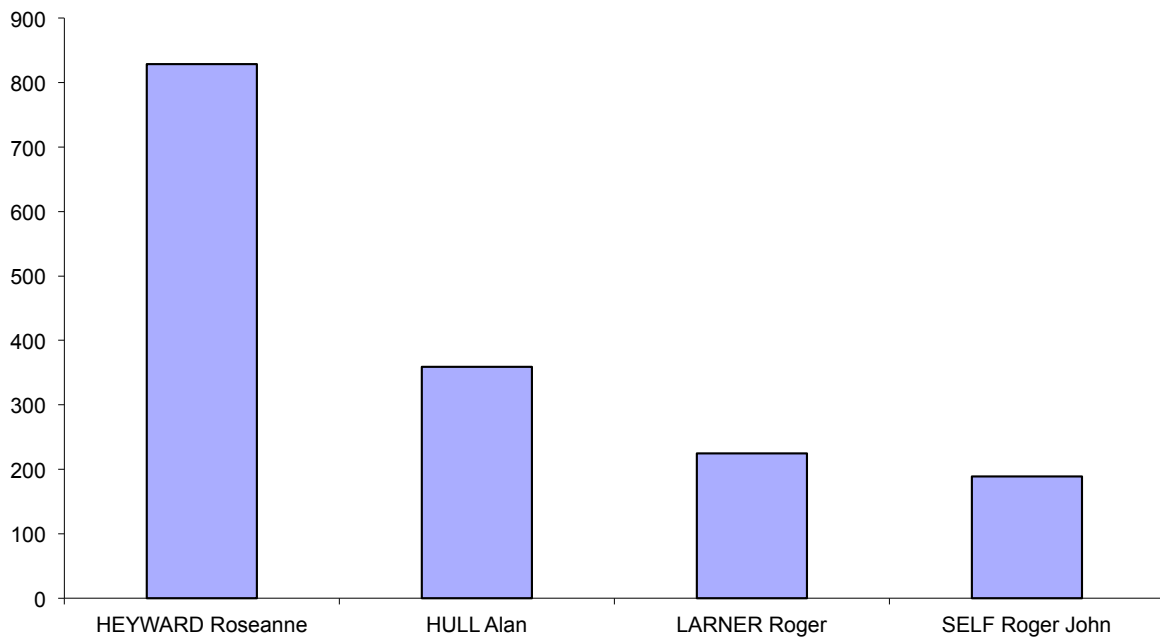
Informal ballot papers: 13

Total ballot papers: 1 615

Informality rate: 0.80%

| Count 1 | Progress Total | HEYWARD Roseanne | HULL Alan | LARNER Roger | SELF Roger John | Exhausted | Total Votes | Absolute Majority | Remarks         |
|---------|----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|         |                | 829              | 359       | 225          | 189             | 0         | 1602        | 802               | HEYWARD elected |

2014 Tasman Mayor election - first preferences





## Tasman Council

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014

Returning Officer: Maree Ward

### Deputy Mayor

Declarations admitted: 1 619

Ballot paper adjustment: 4

Total ballot papers: 1 615

Formal Votes: 1 594

Informal ballot papers: 21

Informality rate: 1.30%

|         |                   | <b>ALEXANDER</b> Gary | <b>FENERTY</b> Pam | <b>MOSER</b> Dave | <b>SPAULDING</b> Kelly | Exhausted | Total Votes | Absolute Majority | Remarks                  |
|---------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Count 1 | Progress Total    | 302                   | 424                | 371               | 497                    | 0         | 1594        | 798               | First preferences        |
| Count 2 | Votes transferred | -302                  | 87                 | 77                | 80                     | 58        |             |                   | ALEXANDER excluded       |
|         | Progress Total    | 0                     | 511                | 448               | 577                    | 58        | 1594        | 769               |                          |
| Count 3 | Votes transferred |                       | 183                | -448              | 199                    | 66        |             |                   | MOSER excluded           |
|         | Progress Total    |                       | 694                | 0                 | 776                    | 124       | 1594        | 736               | <b>SPAULDING elected</b> |

2014 Tasman Deputy Mayor election - first preferences

