



Tasmanian
Electoral Commission

2018 Local Government Elections



MAKE YOUR MARK

VOTE LOCAL

Your vote must be received by
10am on Tuesday 30 October 2018

INFORMATION

There are 3 elections being held for Clarence City Council:

- 12 Councillors (Aldermen)
 - 25 candidates
- Mayor – 6 candidates
- Deputy Mayor – 11 candidates

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

- 2 sheets of papers (one for aldermen, the other for mayor and deputy mayor)
- a ballot paper envelope
 - you must sign this
- a reply paid envelope

Successful candidates for mayor and deputy mayor must also be elected as aldermen to be able to accept these offices.

The mayor, deputy mayor and aldermen you elect will serve until October 2022.

Questions? Call 1800 801 701

With changes to Australia Post services, it is important to complete and return your vote now.

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INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these five easy steps:

1 Consider your vote

Each candidate has been invited to provide a statement, for your consideration. Statements are reproduced substantially as supplied by candidates. They are printed in alphabetical order. Note - the names on the ballot papers may not be in the same order. ***Get to know the candidates before you vote.***

2 Record your vote

When you have decided how you wish to 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 this envelope.

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

5 Post your vote

Post your reply paid envelope straight away.
No need for a stamp
or take to your Council office.

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

ALLEN, Tom

Candidate for Alderman

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I stand for better planning: public consultation, transparency and putting residents back in charge. In short, respect the residents! I want to offer residents the chance to buy solar panels, financed by the council and repaid through rates at no extra cost, so that energy bills and emissions reduce. (Darebin City Council is already doing it and we should too.) And I stand for making Clarence the best place to be a child and to be Australia's first child-cruelty-free zone. On all issues, I will stand for the public interest and that of a stronger, more sustainable local community.

BLOMELEY, Brendan

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor

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I have worked hard for the city I love and I want the chance to do it again. Clarence has a lifestyle that is the envy of the world and we need to make sure that we can continue to have a strong economy to fund the services to make a vibrant community.

Too often the noisy minority who opposes everything stop sensible investment and jobs creation in our city. We need to provide certainty for both the community and investors to ensure informed decisions are made. I will not fold to the anti-everything brigade and will bring an experienced, professional and common sense approach to Council.

CASTILLO, Jo

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor



...for community consultation. We need new ideas and fresh thinking on Clarence Council. I retired from a legal government career last year and since then have become involved in many community activities. With a PhD in Law and a vital interest in planning, I initiated the recent petitioned public meeting on the proposed Rosny Hill development.

I stand for consultation and accountability by the Council to the electors of Clarence. I want to ensure that appropriate decisions are made about discretionary developments, keeping the interests of local residents foremost.

CHIPMAN, Doug

Candidate for Alderman, Mayor

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Doug is a highly qualified and proven leader who enjoys engaging with people from all walks of life and at all three levels of government. First elected to council eighteen years ago and Mayor in 2011, Doug is a passionate advocate for Clarence and its lifestyle.

Committed to open and accountable government, his main priorities include keeping rates low, improving roads, paths and parks, planning for an increasing and diverse population, and managing the threats from climate change. To promote a responsible, progressive and caring council, vote to re-elect Doug Chipman as Alderman and Mayor.

CHONG, Heather

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor



Experienced business owner, community member and Alderman, I bring a business and community focus to Council. My extensive committee work in Council (health and wellbeing;events esp. Jazz Festival;audit panel;cultural history;Howrah Community Centre;Richmond Advisory Committee) alongside Meals on Wheels, Richmond Village Fair, landcare and One Community Together give me a diverse and extensive connection our community.

I commit to always listening to community members, taking their views into account, applying my experience and expertise to try and bring about the best results for Clarence.

CUSICK, Peter

Candidate for Alderman



As a retired accountant with a Bachelor of Commerce from UTAS and FCPA (Professional Accountant) I understand the importance of sound fiscal management, responsible budgeting and financial accountability, these are the foundation of success. Being retired I have the time and energy to work for responsible expenditure, minimal rate increases and balanced consideration, with community consultation, of development applications. Continued provision of new, age and gender appropriate, recreational and leisure facilities is also important.

I seek your support for re-election.

DOHERTY, Leanne

Candidate for Alderman



My name is Leanne Doherty and I have lived and worked in the City of Clarence for 58 years. I see Clarence as a wonderful place to live and work but as with all councils there are challenges. As a city it is progressing and moving forward but we need to consider at "what pace and at the sacrifice of what". I feel consultation should form a large part as I see it of the local government agenda and listening a key component of a councillor's role. Moving forward changes happen and it's important that everyone feels valued who speak up.

EDMUNDS, Luke

Candidate for Alderman

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Anna and I love raising our three young children on the sunny Eastern Shore. I want to ensure it remains a great place to live as the kids grow up. I'll be a voice for younger people and families and I'll work with the whole community to get the best results.

Our Council should focus on doing the basics well, like roads and footpaths, rubbish and recycling, and investing in better parks for our kids. But, Council should also focus on making sure residents are engaged with decision making. I believe Council should be open to new ideas, and really listen to the community.

EWINGTON, Dean

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor

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Clarence must be the place to live a healthy lifestyle that takes full advantage of our beaches, parks, paths & sports grounds. Technology has made inside so attractive, so we need even better sports, play & picnic areas for all ages & the whole city. A lifelong, local resident with extensive business experience having owned Oceana Aquatic & Fitness for 22 years. We need less red & green tape & stop noisy minorities dominating debates. Council needs to promote a "make it happen" culture that is business & development friendly, with low property rates & focus only on essential services.

FIGG, Mike

Candidate for Alderman, Mayor

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Good local councils need councillors' who listen & act for us. As a business mentor & a person who believes in social justice, I listen & communicate strongly. I passionately believe in transparency accountability & a Council that is unbiased, respectful, consultative & solutions orientated. I'm keen to reduce rates & Council fees & bring about a return to Council working for its people. If I & likeminded people are elected, Councils potential to deliver great community-led outcomes will be delivered & Clarence will be a better fairer brighter place.

Lets make Clarence great again.

HEXT, Brendon

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor



I lived and work in Clarence for 43 years; I have worked in a variety of supervisory roles for public utilities and private companies. I've worked in the areas of logistics, civil construction, transport, security and horticulture. Holds many industry certificates and have a special interest in safety and security. A practical, hands-on person with the ability to communicate well at all levels. It's time for a change, let's keep the major parties out of local government and take back the power for the people of Clarence. A vote for me is a vote for independence.

HULME, Daniel

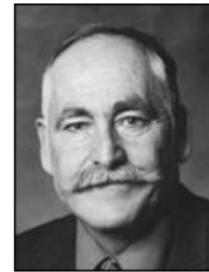
Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor

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JACKSON, David

Candidate for Alderman



I firmly believe that public land should never be given away to developers without open consultation with ratepayers. From my last term as Alderman many of you know that I think public servants should be open to the utmost scrutiny for the decisions they make. I am a retired electrician and my family have resided here all my life, and we share a concern that development here has not always been with the long term benefit of ratepayers in mind. My family and I seek your support and no.1 vote so that I may represent you once again in my role as Alderman. Remember to vote and make a change.

JAMES, Richard

Candidate for Alderman, Mayor

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KENNEDY, Wendy

Candidate for Alderman



As a resident of Seven Mile Beach for almost thirty years, I am keen to provide representation, in particular for the Eastern Shore beach communities.

I have vast experience in media, communications and small business. I am a former chair of Tasmania Women's Council, women's sport and recreation, and a board member of PAHSMA for ten years. I continue to support numerous charities and currently am a member of the Tasmania Racing Appeal's Board.

McFARLANE, Kay

Candidate for Alderman

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Vote 1 for an experienced Green's Alderman, with over 12 years of dedicated efforts implementing fair, reasonable plans & policy for the whole community, while respecting the environment with Green values.

I support the Foreshore Trails from Otago Bay to Lauderdale, expanding the Meehan Range Skyline Trails, Mt Bike Skills Park & facilities, creative playgrounds & multi user footpaths while retaining minimal rate rises. As part of the Green Team, I'll focus on Climate Change, to reduce carbon emissions & support ratepayers connecting green energy options. Vote1 Kay McFarlane for Alderman

MULDER, Tony

Candidate for Alderman, Mayor



Our Council has been poorly led! Rates are 20% above the state average, vital road links like Flagstaff Gully lie abandoned, public land is sold to overseas developers while Council pockets TasWater dividends that should be returned to us ratepayers who built these assets in the first place! My wife Tosca and I raised and educated our 5 children on the eastern shore. I have lived here since 1980. As a former Tasmania Police Commander, Member of Parliament and Clarence Alderman, I have the experience and the energy to act.

For Alderman and Mayor, vote 1 Tony Mulder.

PEERS, John

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor

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John's involvement in business, community and sporting groups means he speaks with rate payers about the issues affecting them; increase in general costs of living and the lack of employment opportunities are constant concerns and John will do his part by speaking up on your behalf to try and keep rates at the lowest possible level while maintaining council services.

I support programs for community services for the aged, youth and families; more sealed footpaths, increased walk ways and cycle paths; greater funding for fire risk reduction and improved traffic management. Vote 1 John Peers.

SIDDALL, Shea

Candidate for Alderman

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I've lived in Clarence all my life and change is needed. I believe attracting new development will see Clarence grow and prosper. We must continue to improve services and facilities making our city more attractive and liveable. I can't promise to reduce rates but I commit to improved efficiency and service delivery and minimising increases.

I commit to transparent decisions based on well researched information, taking into account the opinions and concerns of the community and engaging in healthy and robust discussions. Follow me on FB and let's bring new energy to Clarence-vote 1 Shea Siddall

THURLEY, Debra Joyce

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor

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Via my committee work-disability & access, health & wellbeing, Bellerive community arts & the city band I love being connected to my community. Dealing with development, budgets / finance, project prioritisation, asset management, governance, community needs & services I make informed balanced common-sense decisions. I will continue to help Clarence be the most livable city in Tasmania - active healthy & vibrant- quality infrastructure, access & inclusion for all. Re-elect Thurley - I will continue to serve all of you who live, work, do business & invest in Clarence.

visit www.debrathurley.com.au

VINEY, Roger G S

Candidate for Alderman, Mayor



I seek to lead a Council that truly understand its community and engages with its people.

Bringing a wealth of local government and leadership experiences following a life time of devoted community service. Supportive of open governance with a structured community engagement program at the centre point of a new fresh approach. Currently President Howrah Community Centre and Clarence District Football Club long time member and public officer of Lindisfarne Rowing Club and Hobart Cat Centre spokesperson for Clarence Action Network life-member of Rostrum.

VON BERTOUCH, Sharyn

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor

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11 years service in many roles: currently Positive Ageing & Bike Committees chair; Waste Strategy South member; & Australian Coastal Councils state representative. Deputy Mayor credentials: law, education, counselling & company directors qualifications. Community sector, Local & State Government leadership experience. Future focus: best possible, all ages friendly, services & infrastructure funded by reasonable rates; safer roads & paths; zero waste; ratepayer solar equipment loan; coastal damage adaptation; balancing development, amenity & the natural environment. Facebook - SharynforClarence

WALKER, James

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor

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Dad, podiatrist & your alderman since 2012. I've delivered on pledges including green waste bins, all-abilities playgrounds & local government performance ranking to confirm if you're getting value for your rates. My voting record shows a history of pushing back against red tape & promoting common sense. Next term my focus includes a state-of-the-art dog park, reducing illegal rubbish dumping & continuing to put the interests of Clarence residents & ratepayers first. Don't risk the debt & dysfunction seen in other councils, vote 1 Walker for Alderman & Deputy Mayor. www.jwalker.com.au

WARREN, Beth

Candidate for Alderman, Mayor

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You deserve a council that makes decisions in your best interests, not those of big developers. You deserve genuine consultation before a decision is made, transparent processes during development assessments, and appropriate development that enhances your recreational areas without locking you out.

I have over 16 years' experience in senior leadership roles in government. I know how government works at all levels. I know how to build a team to get things done. I will work with you to make decisions that respect the residents and promote the lifestyle we love in Clarence.

WILLINK, Hans

Candidate for Alderman, Deputy Mayor

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Former Police IT Director and Army bomb disposal officer, I am now Tasmania's first Uber driver with my own tourism business. After 6,000 rides around Hobart I have listened to many of your concerns and aspirations.

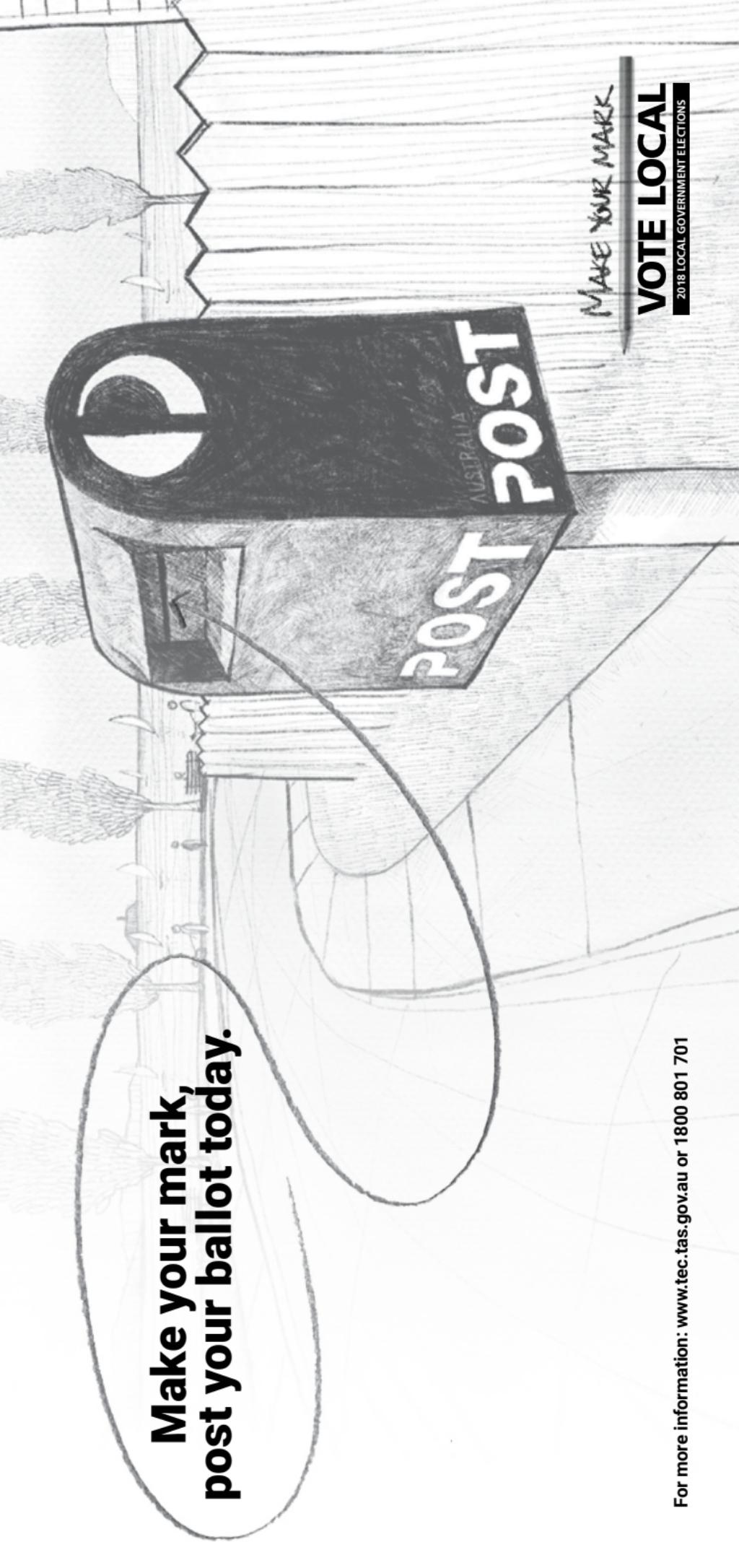
I support council amalgamation, stopping age discrimination (young and old), extension of the Flagstaff Gully Link Road to reduce peak hour traffic congestion, quality development to improve housing affordability and disclosure of all political donations within 24 hours. Voluntary amalgamation has failed. It is time for an electors poll to let the people decide. Please Google me.

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