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Thirteenth Annual Report 2017-18

To The Honourable Craig Farrell,
President of the Legislative Council

and

The Honourable Sue Hickey,
Speaker of the House of Assembly

We have the honour to submit the thirteenth annual report of the Tasmanian Electoral Commission for presentation to the Parliament pursuant to the provisions of section 13 of the *Electoral Act 2004*.

The report covers the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

Yours sincerely



Mike Blake
CHAIRPERSON



Andrew Hawkey
ELECTORAL
COMMISSIONER



Karen Frost
MEMBER

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The Tasmanian Electoral Commission

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission (the Commission) is established under section 6 of the *Electoral Act 2004*. The Commission comprises the Chairperson, the Electoral Commissioner and one other Member.

Mike Blake
CHAIRPERSON



Andrew Hawkey
ELECTORAL
COMMISSIONER



Karen Frost
MEMBER



Commission Functions and Powers

The following functions and powers of the Commission are specified in section 9 of the Act.

- (1) In addition to the functions conferred on it by any other provisions of this Act or any other Act, the Commission has the following functions:
 - (a) to advise the Minister on matters relating to elections;
 - (b) to consider and report to the Minister on matters referred to it by the Minister;
 - (c) to promote public awareness of electoral and parliamentary topics by means of educational and information programs and by other means;
 - (d) to provide information and advice on electoral issues to the Parliament, the Government, Government departments and State authorities, within the meaning of the *State Service Act 2000*;
 - (e) to publish material on matters relating to its functions;
 - (f) to investigate and prosecute illegal practices under this Act.
- (2) The Commission may do all things necessary or convenient to be done, including employing persons, for or in connection with or incidental to the performance of its functions.
- (3) Without limiting subsection (2) and in addition to any power conferred on the Commission by any other provision of this Act or any other Act, the Commission, in addition to conducting Assembly elections or Council elections may conduct ballots or elections for a person or organisation and may charge fees for that service.

The Commission and the Electoral Commissioner have legal responsibilities under the following legislation:

- *Electoral Act 2004*
- *Electoral Regulations 2005*
- *Local Government Act 1993*
- *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015*
- *Juries Act 2003*
- *Legislative Council Electoral Boundaries Act 1995*
- *Aboriginal Lands Act 1995*
- *Water Management Act 1999*

Responsibilities

The Commission, and the Electoral Commissioner, have statutory responsibilities for the independent and impartial conduct of Tasmanian elections and referendums.

An up-to-date and accurate electoral roll is an essential prerequisite for the conduct of elections. The State of Tasmania and the Commonwealth of Australia have an arrangement for the management and maintenance of a joint Tasmanian roll. The Commission and the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) jointly manage and maintain the electoral rolls for federal, state and local government elections.

The Electoral Commissioner is a member of the Electoral Council of Australia and New Zealand (ECANZ) which regularly discusses strategies for maintenance of the electoral roll.

This Report

This Annual Report of the Commission covers the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018. It is submitted pursuant to section 13 of the Tasmanian *Electoral Act 2004*. Although the Commission is a statutory body, corporate support is provided by the Department of Justice and full financial and staffing reports are included in the Department of Justice Annual Report.

Chairperson's Introduction

Evident from the information outlined in this annual report is both the significant role played by the Tasmanian Electoral Commission and the breadth of services and activities, often at short notice, it provided this financial year. While, clearly, our role is to run elections, 2017-18 was less straight forward than most years as the TEC ran the State election for the House of Assembly, as well as a by-election for the Legislative Council seat of Pembroke and elections for Glenorchy City Council and the Aboriginal Land Council Tasmania.

A feature of the House of Assembly election was continued provision of the Tally Room. This well-planned event continues to ensure the Tasmanian community is provided with minute by minute detail of this election's progress with political parties given the opportunity to participate in the count process and to comment as the evening progresses and concludes. Thank you to Tasmania Police for their support with seamless security arrangements.

Running our various State and other elections is becoming ever more complex in particular as greater use is made of social and other media and our world becomes increasingly digital. This provides challenges and opportunities for the Commission, which Andrew Hawkey and his team have, and continue to, provided appropriate responses but we have much to do in this quickly changing environment. Discussions with, and contributions to, our electoral colleagues in other jurisdictions, is proving positive in identifying trends and risks that need to be managed, how best to do this and the investments that will be required both one-off and ongoing. The Commission looks forward to working with Government to confirm and agree on next steps in the best interests of electors.

This small organisation of 14 permanent staff, and the many people involved in running our multiple elections, fulfil an essential role for the Tasmanian community doing so diligently and often with limited resources. Their achievements in 2017-18 were significant helped considerably by very careful and effective planning for each election. On behalf of Karen and myself, thank you all.

Mike Blake

CHAIRPERSON
TASMANIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION

Electoral Commissioner's Review

While 2016-17 was a significant year of change, 2017-18 has been a significant year of events – some known well ahead of time, others with no advanced notice. As outlined across this report, the TEC had many great achievements. I also think it important to acknowledge the new and at times daunting challenges faced by the hard working and professional TEC staff.

In 2018, the only staff in the same roles as at the previous state election were the policy staff. Six of our 14 permanent staff were participating in their first state election and while some of the returning officers and assistant returning officers had worked at a handful of Legislative Council elections over the last two years, none had held election management roles at this scale.

Conducting a state election comprises many diverse tasks and skills including:

- recruiting staff and hiring polling places,
- establishing and managing a call centre,
- developing training resources and running training sessions,
- producing e-learning material for all election positions,
- producing and rolling out election material and electronic election management systems,
- establishing temporary offices at locations around the state,
- liaising with Government House, Members of Parliament, political parties, candidates, police, media and the public,
- addressing and responding to many queries, complaints and allegations of breaches of the Electoral Act,
- establishing a full public awareness campaign,
- providing a public tally room,
- providing 268 polling places on polling day and various forms of early voting services around the country and for overseas and Antarctic electors,
- counting ballot papers and undertaking official announcement of candidates and declaration of the poll ceremonies.

Whether it is a power failure at a polling place, changes to postal delivery services, or availability of casual staff or buildings in regional areas, many aspects of an election are outside our direct control. For the State election, our staff expanded to around 1,500 across the state, with most staff employed for a day, with up to four levels of management between the front counter voting service and a permanent member of staff.

Good election management involves: recruitment of appropriately skilled staff, producing a work environment and culture that clearly defines roles, duties, training and expectations and providing a positive supportive organisation and structure that responds quickly, accurately and transparently to unexpected needs as they arise.

The Commission must always be ready to conduct a major election. It must be ready to find and implement more resources or work longer hours to ensure all necessary tasks are completed by each immutable deadline. Over this financial year, my office of 14 committed staff and a core group of key electoral casuals undertook the following elections and significant electoral events:

- Finalisation of the transitional arrangement process for the Legislative Council electoral boundaries redistribution (July / August),
- The Legislative Council by-election for the division of Pembroke (October / November),
- The full Glenorchy City Council elections (November, December and January),
- The State election (February / March),
- The 2018 Legislative Council elections (April / May),
- Recounts and by-elections for local government vacancies—
 - Glamorgan-Spring Bay (September/October),
 - Burnie City (October, November and December),
 - King Island (October),
 - West Coast (February/March),
 - Derwent Valley (March) and
 - West Coast (March)
- The Aboriginal Land Council of Tasmania elections (enrolment commenced prior to July 2017 with the election ballot closing on 26 June 2018) and
- A range of other statutory and non-statutory elections and ballots

Of course, the months shown above only cover the main election periods. They do not cover the extensive preparation required for each major event. Nor does this summary include other areas of our work such as providing advice or submissions to government and other bodies or our involvement in national electoral issues and groups. There was hardly a day in 2017-18 where staff were not required to manage multiple overlapping demands and processes.

I am so proud of and thankful to the extraordinary group of people that have undertaken such critical roles in maintaining and upholding these important democratic processes over the last 12 months. Such an unrelenting timetable and overlap of demands take their toll on all. We celebrate with and support those continuing the journey and thank and wish well those who have decided to move on.

Unfortunately, the heavy and pressured workload is not over. There are known major events ahead – such as the state-wide local government elections – and new challenges.

On the final day of the financial year, the TEC was informed of a cyber breach of some TEC election data, stored by a third party. This did not include electoral roll data but small parcels of information relating to non-voter reasons and requests for voting services at recent smaller elections. For the last 18 months, the growing shadow of cyber interference has been a major concern for all Australian and New Zealand electoral commissions who, at the Electoral Council of Australia and New Zealand (ECANZ) level, are working with the Australian Cyber Security Centre to prepare for future challenges in this area.

Also in May 2018, the Premier announced a review of the Electoral Act, including considerations regarding the necessity and viability of a funding and disclosure structure for Tasmania. While the TEC is not directly a part of the review, the outcomes of that review, along with increasing our defence against cyber threats, means more change and challenges await us in the new financial year.

Andrew Hawkey

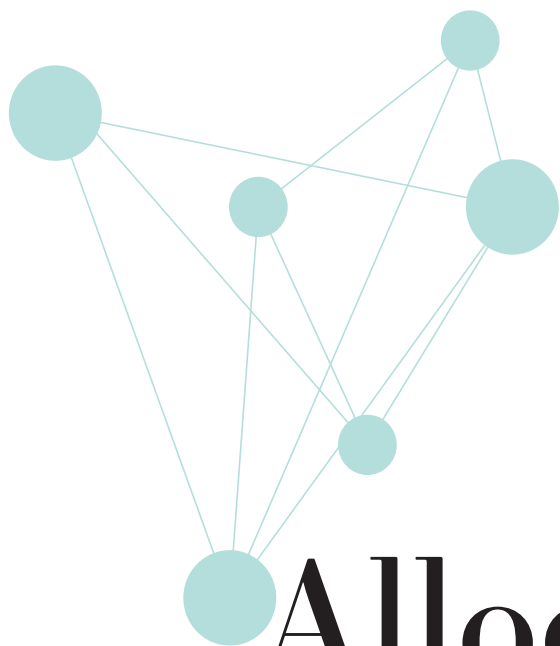
ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER

Blackmans Bay Primary School Polling Place





Significant Events of 2017-18



Allocation of Members

Following the
Redistribution of the
Legislative Council
Electoral Boundaries

Under the *Legislative Council Electoral Boundaries Act 1995*, a redistribution of Legislative Council electoral boundaries is to be undertaken at least every 10 years.

As stated in the previous Annual Report, the Redistribution Tribunal – Mike Blake, Chairperson, Michael Giudici (Surveyor-General), Lisa Wardlaw-Kelly (ABS), Karen Frost, and Andrew Hawkey – determined the redistribution of Legislative Council electoral boundaries on 20 May 2017. The Redistribution made changes to all 15 electoral boundaries and included the abolition of the divisions of Apsley and Western Tiers, which were replaced by the new divisions of McIntyre and Prosser.

To assist with the administrative transition to the new electoral boundaries, the *Legislative Council Electoral Boundaries Act 1995* requires any election conducted between the end of the redistribution process and 1 January of the following year to be undertaken on the former electoral boundary.

Following this determination of boundaries, the Tribunal was required to commence a process for determining the allocation of members to the 15 newly determined divisions. Following an initial consultation period, the Tribunal published its Initial Transition Proposal on Saturday 8 July 2017, which was followed by a second consultation stage.

Following its deliberations of the submissions made during the second consultation stage, the Tribunal published a Transition Determination on 5 August 2017. Publication of this determination concluded the 2016-17 redistribution of Legislative Council electoral boundaries. Full details of the Redistribution can be found at www.lcredistribution.tas.gov.au.

Allocated members determined by the Tribunal on 5 August 2017 -

Next periodical election	Division	Allocated Member as at August 2017
2018	Hobart	Rob Valentine
	Prosser	No allocated member until 2018 election
2019	Montgomery	Leonie Hiscutt
	Nelson	Jim Wilkinson
	Pembroke	Vanessa Goodwin
2020	Huon	Robert Armstrong
	Rosevears	Kerry Finch
2021	Derwent	Craig Farrell
	Mersey	Mike Gaffney
	Windermere	Ivan Dean
2022	Elwick	Josh Willie
	McIntyre	Tania Rattray Greg Hall (term expires in 2018)
2023	Launceston	Rosemary Armitage
	Murchison	Ruth Forrest
	Rumney	Sarah Lovell

While the Tribunal is formally a separate statutory authority to the Commission, all members of the Commission are appointed to the Tribunal, and the TEC provides administrative support to the Tribunal.

Legislative Council By-Election Pembroke

Polling Day:
Saturday 4 November 2017



Following the resignation of Dr Vanessa Goodwin on 2 October 2017, a Legislative Council by-election in the division of Pembroke was conducted.

Ms Justin Meeker was appointed returning officer for this election.

When nominations closed at 12 noon on Thursday 12 October, 7 candidates (6 men and 1 woman) had been nominated.

Jo Siejka was elected as the Member for Pembroke to serve until the 2019 periodic elections.

The by-election results are provided in Appendix C.

As the new boundaries did not come into effect until January 2018, the Pembroke by-election was contested using the former electoral boundary for the division of Pembroke.

Local Government Election Glenorchy City

Polling Period:
19 Dec 2017 - 16 Jan 2018



Following the passing of the *Glenorchy City Council (Dismissal of Councillors) Act 2017*, an election conducted by postal ballot, was held to elect 10 Councillors (Aldermen), and a Mayor and Deputy Mayor on the Glenorchy City Council.

The elections formally commenced with the publication of the 'Notice of Election' in *The Mercury* on Saturday 25 November 2017. Graeme Ingram was appointed as returning officer for these elections.

When nominations closed at 12 noon on Monday 11 December, twenty-four candidates (15 men and 9 women) had been nominated for Councillor (Alderman), 2 candidates for Mayor and 6 candidates for Deputy Mayor.

The voting period fell across the Christmas–New Year break, so the TEC office remained open with a small number of staff on hand to service Glenorchy electors.

A summary of the elected Councillors (Alderman) is provided in Appendix D. Full results are published on the TEC website and will be included in the 2018 Local Government elections report.

State Election

Polling Day:
Saturday 3 March 2018

On 5 February 2018, Her Excellency the Governor issued writs for the five House of Assembly divisions.

Nominations closed on 13 February 2018 with 109 candidates being nominated – Bass (20), Braddon (29), Denison (18), Franklin (16) and Lyons (26).

Access to early voting services was expanded compared to previous State elections.

Pre-poll voting centres were provided in Burnie, Devonport, Glenorchy, Hobart, Kingston, Launceston and Sorell and at other Australian State and Territory electoral commissions for the full early voting period (commencing Monday 19 February). Similar to additional access provided at recent Legislative Council elections, rural pre-poll voting centres were established in Nubeena, Queenstown, Scottsdale, Smithton and St Helens for the last two days before polling day.

Other forms of early voting available included postal voting, mobile voting at many nursing homes and hospitals and express voting.

On 3 March 2018, 268 polling places opened at 8am and closed at 6pm across the state. The TEC SMS reminder service – first established with 700 electors at the 2010 State election – issued reminders to over 7,800 electors.

The Hare-Clark counting of votes commenced after the 10-day period for the return of postal votes. Declaration of the poll ceremonies were held on:

- Friday 16 March in Burnie (Braddon) and Launceston (Bass and Lyons); and
- Monday 19 March at Parliament House (Denison and Franklin);

with all writs being returned to Her Excellency the Governor that Monday afternoon.

Full details of Parliamentary elections will be available in the Report on Parliamentary Elections 2015–2018. The report can be downloaded from the TEC website and is available in hard copy.

Anatomy of the 2018 State Election

A few interesting facts and figures that build a picture of the size and scale of conducting the House of Assembly elections in Tasmania.

THE PEOPLE



16
TEC Office

5
Returning
Officers

6
Assistant
ROs

12
Pre-poll
Teams

19
Mobile
Teams

43
Liaison
Officers

158
Scrutiny

56
Return of
Materials

1,317
Polling
Place Staff

11
Call Centre

THE LOCATIONS



1
TEC Office



3
Satellite
Offices



12
Pre-poll
Centres



8
Interstate
Pre-poll



268
Polling
Places



1
Tally Room

THE LOGISTICS



86
Cars +
Trucks hired



4
Large deliveries
to and from RO
Offices



17
Courier
Deliveries to
Polling Places



4
Flights to and
from King +
Flinders Islands



596,850
Ballot Papers
Printed

THE EQUIPMENT



856
Ballot
Boxes



3,911
Voting
Screens



871
Netbooks



57
Desktop
Computers



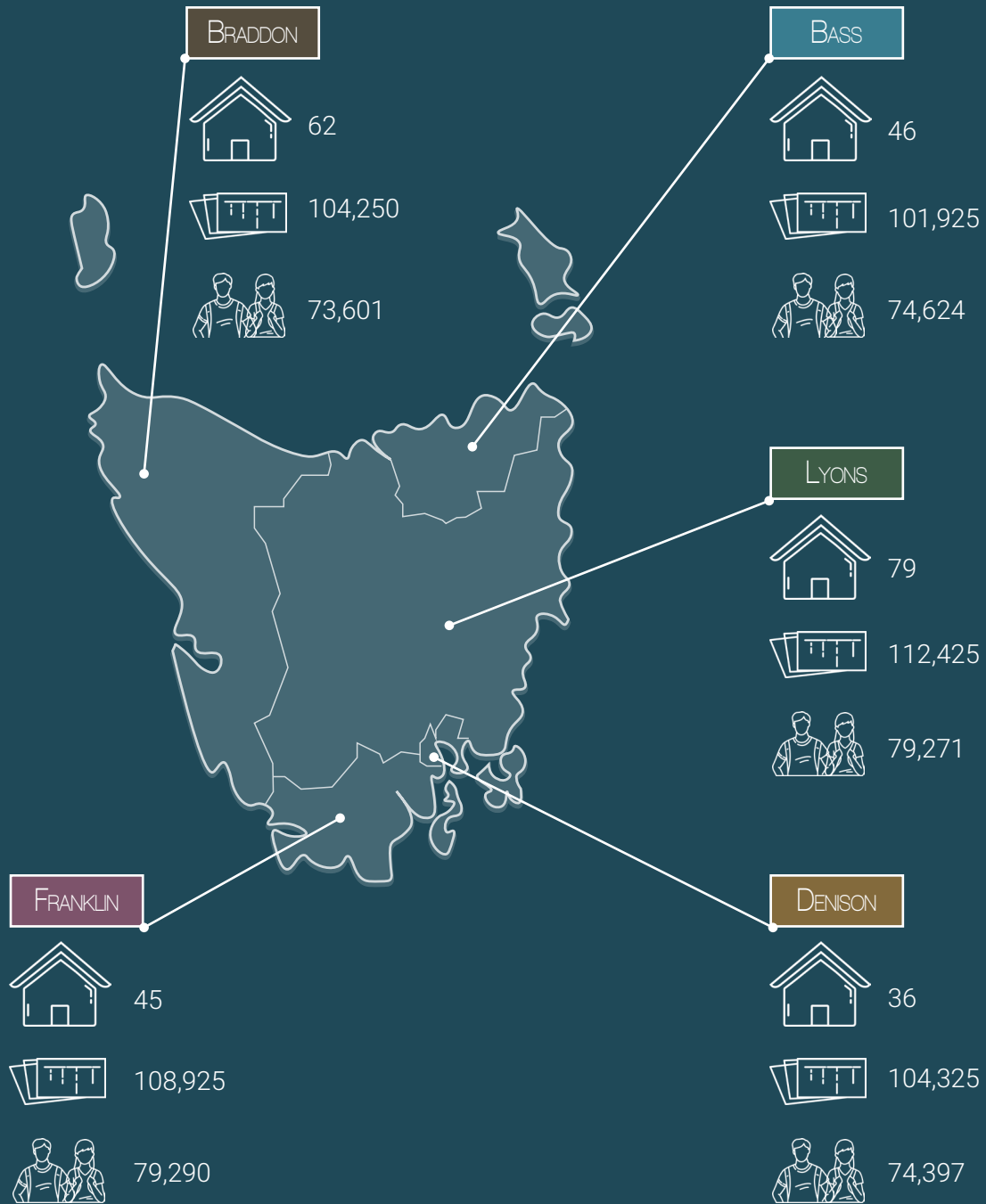
100m
Ethernet
Cabling



7,470
Pencils on
7.4km of
string

Polling Day

5 Divisions
 1,450 Staff
 596,850 Ballot Papers
 109 Candidates
 381,183 Electors
 268 Polling Places



Ballot Papers 

Electors 

Polling Places 

Ballot papers for every division are supplied to each polling place. These figures include ballot papers used for pre-poll voting.



New Era for Tasmanian State Elections

The 2018 State election was the first conducted by the TEC without returning officer assistance from the AEC. Building on the structures and successes at recent Legislative Council elections, the TEC undertook to:

- Recruit and train eleven returning and assistant returning officers (pictured above);
- Source and establish three 'satellite offices' (Burnie, Hobart and Launceston);
- Recruit and train support staff for these offices;
- Setup secure network between the satellite and main offices;
- Establish an expanded in-house call centre;
- Procure additional furniture and IT hardware.

A small number of these initiatives are detailed further in the Innovations section of this report.

Pictured left to right:

Maree Stones, Graeme Ingram, Meahd Bradshaw, Rod Viney, Marina Oakley, Jenny van den Bosch, Justin Meeker, Sherri Nolan, Ann La Sala, David Gibbins, Tricia Stapleton.



The Tally Room

As with previous State elections, a large tally room was provided on polling night. Tasmanians have a rich history of engagement with its tally rooms, and the TEC is the only Australian electoral authority to still provide a physical venue.

The tally room was held in the Federation Ballroom at the Hotel Grand Chancellor, opening its doors to the public at 6 pm. The tally room provides a unique experience, where the media, the public and the candidates from across the whole political spectrum come to gather, see the results and discuss the outcome.

At the 2018 tally room, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (the ABC) provided a full studio setup broadcasting television, radio and live on the web. Southern Cross provided full television coverage, along with coverage provided by WIN television, SBS World News, Sky News, The Mercury, Fairfax newspapers, The Australian, The Guardian, The Age, and Crikey.

An estimated 1,000 people, including families, dropped into the tally room during the night. The public were only metres away from the media, including seeing and listening to the national treasure, Antony Green, providing special analysis.

As this was the first tally room to be provided in these more security conscious times, in consultation with Tasmania Police, special security arrangements were established. Public entry into the tally room area took a little longer, due to the new security standards, including bag checks on entry. Once through security, the public could freely mingle in the tally room or the mezzanine foyer, where bar and restroom facilities were located.

Between 6:34pm and midnight, 268 result updates were displayed on the electronic tally boards. As is the Tasmanian tradition, towards the end of the evening, the leaders of the three main Parliamentary parties address the crowd from the tally room podium.

The night was a great success with the media and the public, calling for it to continue at future State elections.



New Election Cardboard

In 2017, a review of the recyclable cardboard products used for elections was undertaken. This review covered functionality, cost and heightened elector service. As a result, a number of changes were implemented ahead of the State election.

The TEC shifted from the predominant use of "pizza box" style 3 piece voting screens that is time-consuming to assemble, to a slimline, one-piece voting screen that quickly pops up. The pizza box style is more easily transported in a standard vehicle or on an airplane, so these are still used for some of our remote polling places and by our mobile polling teams.

In addition, 2 new pieces of cardboard equipment were introduced - a tri-sided tall 'Accessible Parking' bollard and hazard sign.

In redesigning the voting screens, the decision was taken to produce "clean skin" (no logo) cardboard to allow other electoral commissions to use our screens should they require cardboard at short notice; and reducing the risk of the TEC logo being used inappropriately where damaged cardboard is disposed of post-election.

Clearly printed voting instructions were printed on the shelf as a further aid to electors.

Savings are realised in cheaper storage costs due to a smaller profile, and a more resilient product which can be used for multiple events.

Summary of Elected Members

Listed by order elected.

BASS	BRADDON	DENISON	FRANKLIN	LYONS
GUTWEIN, Peter Liberal Party	ROCKLIFF, Jeremy Liberal Party	BACON, Scott Australian Labor Party	HODGMAN, Will Liberal Party	WHITE, Rebecca Australian Labor Party
FERGUSON, Michael Liberal Party	BROOKS, Adam Liberal Party	ARCHER, Elise Liberal Party	PETRUSMA, Jacquie Liberal Party	BARNETT, Guy Liberal Party
O'BYRNE, Michelle Australian Labor Party	DOW, Anita Australian Labor Party	O'CONNOR, Cassy Tasmanian Greens	O'BYRNE, David Australian Labor Party	SHELTON, Mark Liberal Party
COURTNEY, Sarah Liberal Party	BROAD, Shane Australian Labor Party	HICKEY, Sue Liberal Party	STANDEN, Alison Australian Labor Party	HIDDING, Rene Liberal Party
HOUSTON, Jennifer Australian Labor Party	JAENSCH, Roger Liberal Party	HADDAD, Ella Australian Labor Party	WOODRUFF, Rosalie Tasmanian Greens	BUTLER, Jen Australian Labor Party

Legislative Council Elections

Hobart + Prosser

Polling Day:
Saturday 5 May 2018



The 2018 periodic Legislative Council elections in the divisions of Hobart and Prosser formally commenced with the issue of the writs on Wednesday 4 April 2018. Mr Graeme Ingram and Ms Justin Meeker were appointed as returning officers for these elections.

When nominations closed at 12 noon on Thursday 12 April, 19 candidates (15 men and 4 women) had been nominated - 6 candidates for Hobart and 13 candidates for Prosser.

Rob Valentine was re-elected as the Member for Hobart, Jane Howlett was elected as the inaugural Member for Prosser.

Legislative Council results are provided in Appendix B.

These elections were contested using the new Legislative Council boundaries.



Party register

During 2017-18, the TEC received applications to register four new political parties. Following the procedures set out in the Act, the TEC accepted the applications and registered the following parties:

- *Jacqui Lambie Network* – registered 20 December 2017
- *Pauline Hanson's One Nation* – registered 20 December 2017
- *T4T – Tasmanians 4 Tasmania* – registered 23 January 2018
- *Animal Justice Party* – registered 27 March 2018

At its meeting on 10 July 2017 the Commission accepted an application to change the name of the Shooters and Fishers Party Tasmania to the *Shooters, Fishers and Farmers Party Tasmania*; and to change the ballot paper name from Shooters, Fishers Tas to *Shooters, Fishers, Farmers Tas*.

As at 30 June 2018, the following parties were registered under the Act (alphabetical order):

- Animal Justice Party
- Australian Christians
- Australian Labor Party
- Jacqui Lambie Network
- The Liberal Party of Australia, Tasmanian Division
- Pauline Hanson's One Nation
- Shooters, Fishers and Farmers Party Tasmania
- Socialist Alliance
- T4T – Tasmanians 4 Tasmania
- Tasmanian Greens



Recounts + by-elections

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CASUAL VACANCIES

During 2017-18, the TEC conducted recounts to fill vacancies for the following Councils:

- Derwent Valley Council
- Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council
- King Island Council
- West Coast Council (x2)

In addition, a by-election was conducted for the Burnie City Council (one mayor and one councillor vacancy).

Full details of all local government elections including recounts and by-elections can be found on the TEC website.

Due to the ordinary Local Government elections commencing in September 2018, vacancies were not required to be filled after March 2018, unless the council did not have a quorum.



Other elections + ballots

During 2017-18, the TEC conducted the following non-parliamentary elections:

Statutory elections:

- Aboriginal Land Council of Tasmania election and by-elections
- Elizabeth Macquarie Irrigation Trust
- Mowbray Swamp Drainage Trust

Industrial ballots:

- Cherry Growers Australia
- Nyrstar
- TasWater (x3)
- Veolia

Non-Statutory elections:

- Cricket Tasmania
- Shearwater Country Club Resort Ownership (Tas) Limited
- Showmen's Guild of Tasmania
- Tasmanian Council of Social Service Inc
- Tasmanian Pacing Club
- Tasmania University Union (TUU)

Fees are charged for these services.



Assistance to other electoral authorities

The TEC assisted other Australian electoral authorities by issuing pre-poll votes for their elections at the TEC office in Moonah. Votes were issued for the following elections:

Western Australian Electoral Commission -

- Darling Range by-election
- State by-election for the district of Cottesloe

Victorian Electoral Commission -

- By-election for the State district of Northcote

Electoral Commission of Queensland -

- State election

Electoral Commission of South Australia -

- State election

Electoral Commission of New Zealand -

- National election

Hobart City Polling Place Scrutiny





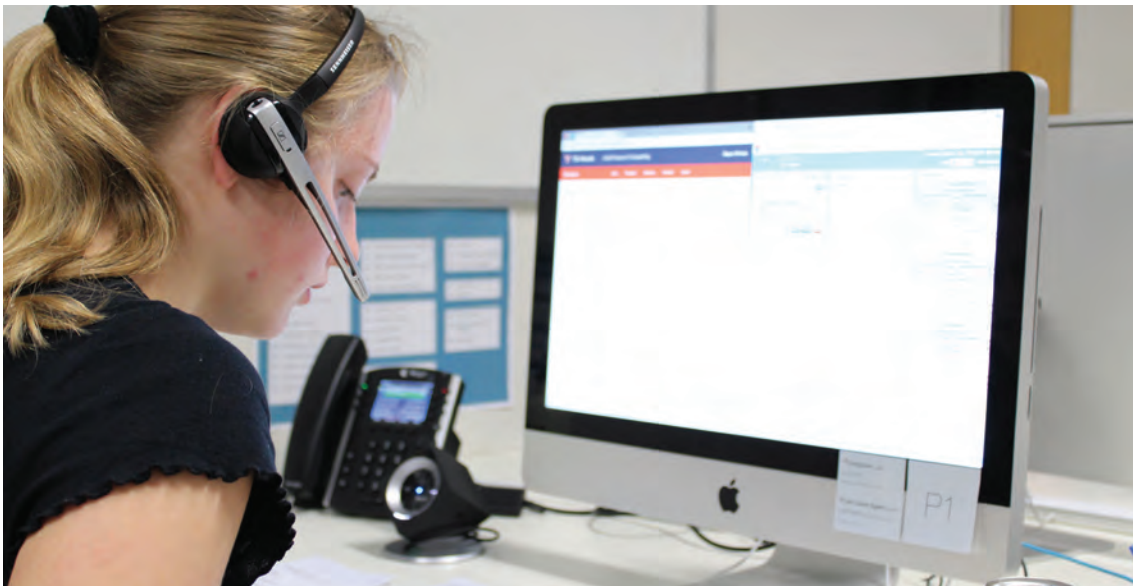
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BEHRAKIS Simon
HICKEY Sue
YOUNG Dean
JOHNSON Kristy

ARCHER Elise

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

Innovation 2017-18

TEC Call Centre Expansion



While the TEC has provided small telephone response services for the Legislative Council elections, the increased demand for a State election required the following 3 innovations to be developed for an in-house call centre.

KNOWLEDGE BASE

A 3-level system was developed to respond to phone and email enquiries where call centre staff were provided with an online tool which enabled them to directly respond to level 1 or level 2 information requests. The system also provided them with details of who to direct level 3 queries to.

The development of this system involved an analysis of questions received at previous elections, the determination of response levels, and development of content for responding to queries. The digital nature of the tool allowed for rapid updates and consistent messaging.

Level 1 queries were classified as information readily available on the website or other publications. Level 2 queries required a little more knowledge or research through other electoral systems. Level 3 queries were often matters that were the responsibility of high level TEC staff.

STREAMLINED ROSTERING

An Australian rostering app (*Open SimSim*) was employed to reduce time spent rostering the pool of casual staff. The team, ranging from University students to retirees, embraced the system, installing the app on their phones and keeping their availability up-to-date. This enabled quick rostering without the usual delays inherent in contacting casual staff.

CALL CENTRE MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

Having previously moved to a VOIP telephony system, the TEC had capacity to utilise a call centre management software suite, allowing the TEC to conduct a modern, efficient call centre.

Callers made a topic selection prior to connection so operators were primed with the relevant information. Following the call, operators used the software to record the topics covered in the call.

Reports generated from the management software showed patterns of call volume and topics that correlated to different phases of the election. This data will assist with planning and messaging for future elections.

Kingston Polling Place



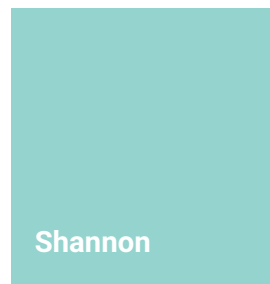


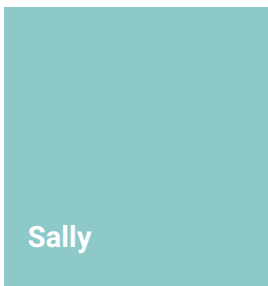
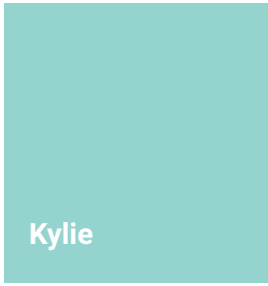
Recognition

The Team

MEET THE 2017-2018 TEAM - A MIX OF PERMANENT STAFF
AND A CORE GROUP OF KEY ELECTORAL CASUAL STAFF.

(Some of the team are a little camera shy.)





Professional Development

5TH BIENNIAL ELECTORAL REGULATION RESEARCH NETWORK (ERRN) WORKSHOP - PERTH

The Electoral Commissioner and Deputy Electoral Commissioner participated in a national workshop held in Perth on 9-10 November, which covered key electoral areas including:

- psephology and the Australian electoral scene
- A judicial review of elections: Australia and comparative perspectives
- Changes to voting and campaigning in Australia
- The funding of political parties
- US election and overseas involvement in domestic politics.



AUSTRALIAN CYBER SECURITY CENTRE (ACSC) INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 'FROM SECURITY TO RESILIENCE' - CANBERRA

The Electoral Commissioner and the Information Technology Officer attended a conference held in Canberra on 10-12 April, with international and Australian cyber security experts covering topics such as:

- cyber security
- cybercrime
- foreign interference
- business process compromise
- protecting control systems and critical government services
- the cyber workforce
- advances occurring in the field.



TEMPORARY ELECTION STAFF (TES) WORKING GROUP - MELBOURNE

The Elections Co-ordinator travelled to a workshop in Melbourne in May to determine the terms of reference for the inter-jurisdictional TES working group.

Electoral Commissions across the country face a range of similar challenges, namely, recruitment, training, payment processes and retention of temporary staff.

The working group aims to develop strategies and tools to aid in addressing these challenges as their work progresses.



MEDIA TRAINING - HOBART

The Electoral Commissioner and Deputy Electoral Commissioner, along with other senior public servants attended this 1-day workshop.

A local media specialist gave participants an understanding of what a journalist is looking for in an interview. Each participant then had the opportunity to put what they'd learned into practice, recording an on-camera interview and reviewing the tape.

WOMEN SUPPORTING WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP GROUP - 'LUNCH WITH CHRISTINE NIXON' EVENT - HOBART

Early in November, Ngaire Edwards attended this event as part of her ongoing involvement with the Women Supporting Women (WSW) initiative. This initiative is led by women in senior positions in the Tasmanian State Service, who have joined together to create a professional development opportunity aimed at supporting women in the State Service, developing their leadership capacity and providing strategies to overcome barriers to career progression.

Former Chair of the Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Recovery Authority and Chief Commissioner of Victoria Police, Christine Nixon spoke about her leadership learnings and provided an opportunity for WSW participants to engage with, and learn from her, in a personal setting.



Presentation

INTERNATIONAL ELECTORAL INNOVATION CONFERENCE - SYDNEY

The Commissioner was invited to present at the International Electoral Innovation Conference conference, hosted by the AEC on 7-8 March. The conference was a gathering of electoral authorities from four leading nations in electoral administration (Australia, Canada, India, and New Zealand).

The presentation, titled *Preparing Polling Place Managers for the Big Day*, covered the philosophical approach, strategic planning and roll-out of modern training resource.

The TEC recognises that the management of polling places in the field is largely out of the control of the Commission. The Commissioner stated "by recruiting people with management skills to polling place manager positions, it is important to let the managers manage and respond dynamically to local circumstances, rather than try to control and impose uniformity".

Following this direction, the TEC training resources and election material were redesigned along the principle: 'You can't control but you can best prepare' your polling place managers.

After discussing these key points, the presentation provided a high level overview of the key elements of the multi-faceted training material including:

- Specially designed returns
- Key elements of face-to-face training, including incorporating material for different learning styles and approaches
- Simplified reading through the development of cascading manuals and cascading eLearning
- Rebranding all election material to complement the learning material
- Establishing a professional no-blame culture which focuses on the values of integrity, transparency and respect.

The presentation was very well received, with representatives from India, New Zealand and other Australian electoral commissions requesting copies of the presentation and TEC training materials.



Pictured - Tasmanian Electoral Commissioner, Andrew Hawkey (centre) with the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner from the Electoral Commission of India.



Thank you from an elector

It is always gratifying to receive compliments and thank you letters such as this:

Dear Commissioner

Hope this letter finds you well.

I am writing you this letter today as I would like you to be aware of a phone call I had a few months ago with one of your employees. I don't usually do this but I feel most people are quick to complain, but few that give praise. I rang regarding a non-voters letter I received in the mail for not voting in the Pembroke election.

I was quite upset as I didn't know how I was going to pay the fine, with saying this [a young lady] said its okay I will see if I can help you....[She] continued to advise me that I could apply for postal voting if I'm still unable to make it to a polling booth, which I will do in the future. [She] was so helpful and understanding and for the first time I could hear empathy in the person's voice on the other end of the phone.

You should be proud as an employer to have someone such as [this] working for you as I don't think I will ever come across someone so understanding and willing to listen in the way [she] did.

Please let [her] know that when she said take care of yourself and may your rehabilitation go well at the end of our phone call meant a lot to me and showed me she was listening even though I talk slow and stutter my words...

Yours sincerely...

Pembroke Election + House of Assembly materials preparations





Report on Performance 2017-18

Electoral Enrolment

TABLE 1: ELECTORAL ENROLMENT 2014 – 2018

As at 30 June	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Tasmanian enrolment (excluding provisional enrolments)	365 598	366 991	373 911	375 444	381 348
Voting eligible population (VEP)	383 003	385 809	388 456	391 354	393 506
Enrolment rate (% of VEP)	95.46%	95.12%	96.26%	95.93%	96.91%

TABLE 2: HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS STATISTICS 2006 – 2018

Election year		2006	2010	2014	2018
Close of roll enrolment		341 481	357 315	366 442	381 183
Ballot papers cast		324 008	335 353	342 595	352 180
Turnout		94.88%	93.85%	93.49%	92.39%
Number of candidates		95	89	126	109
Total number of counts*		198	194	330	253
Formal ballot papers		309 622	320 438	326 163	334 871
Informality	Rate	4.44%	4.45%	4.80%	4.91%
	Apparent intentional	5 723	6 378	8 787	8 468
	Apparent unintentional	8 375	8 324	7 435	8 731

TABLE 3: LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS STATISTICS BY DIVISION 2017 – 2018

Election year	2017			2017	2018	
	Launceston	Murchison	Rumney	Pembroke By-election	Hobart	Prosser
Close of roll enrolment	24 270	24 145	27 891	26 079	24 665	23 527
Ballot papers cast	20 441	20 392	23 554	22 266	18 849	20 345
Turnout	84.22%	84.46%	84.45%	85.38%	76.42%	86.48%
Number of candidates	6	2	6	7	6	13
Formal ballot papers	19 695	19 716	22 635	21 494	18 295	19 327
Informality rate	3.65%	3.32%	3.90%	3.47%	2.94%	5.00%

TABLE 4: LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS PARTICIPATION AND INFORMALITY RATES 2014 – 2018

Election year		2014	2015	2016	2017	Pembroke	2018
Close of roll enrolment		50 323	73 047	48 914	76 306	26 079	48 192
Ballot papers cast		41 897	59 318	39 758	64 387	22 266	39 194
Turnout		83.26%	81.21%	81.28%	84.38%	85.38%	81.33%
Informality	Rate	3.91%	5.04%	4.54%	3.64%	3.47%	4.01%
	Apparent intentional	1 203	2 180	1 280	1 700	553	1 037
	Apparent un-intentional	437	812	527	641	219	535

TABLE 5: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS STATISTICS 2005 – 2014

Election year		2005	2007	2009	2011	2014
Close of roll enrolment*		350 026	357 091	362 890	366 906	375 355
Declarations returned		204 846	205 074	201 550	199 153	204 875
Turnout		58.52%	57.43%	55.54%	54.28%	54.58%
Total ballot papers**		563 532	538 411	526 117	510 563	591 180
Number of candidates**		487	444	449	421	716***
Number of counts**		708	602	553	489	1365***
Formal ballot papers**		553 809	528 649	516 524	500 410	574 335
Informality	Rate	1.73%	1.81%	1.82%	1.99%	2.85%
	Apparent intentional	4 702	4 769	4 994	5 471	7 478
	Apparent unintentional	5 021	4 943	4 599	4 682	9 367

* Comprises those electors on the House of Assembly roll for an address within the municipal area as well as other owners, occupiers and company nominees who have enrolled on general managers' rolls.

** Includes all ballot papers for mayor, deputy mayor and councillors.

*** Increase in number of candidates and number of counts due to the move to "all-in, all-out" elections in 2014.



Democracy sausage at Southern Christian College polling place





Financial Performance 2017-18

This section contains breakdowns of election costs and historical comparisons. Expenditure and revenue statements can be found in the 2017-18 Department of Justice Annual Report.

TABLE 6: COST OF HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS

Election year	2002	2006	2010	2014	2018
Total cost (\$'000)	1 752	1 897	2 271	2 743	3 039
Number of electors on the roll	332 473	341 481	357 315	366 442	381 183
Cost per elector on the roll	\$5.27	\$5.56	\$6.36	\$7.49	\$7.97

TABLE 7: COST OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Election year	2015	2016	2017	Pembroke	2018
Total cost (\$'000)	648*	583*	873	266	561
Number of divisions	3	2	3	1	2
Number of electors for these elections	73 047	48 914	76 306	26 079	48 192
Cost per elector	\$8.88*	\$12.01*	\$11.47	\$10.20	\$11.64

Periodic Legislative Council elections are conducted annually. Elections for two divisions are held in even-numbered years, and for three divisions in odd-numbered years. Costs per elector are usually higher when two elections are held, due to fixed costs.

The cost per elector of the 2016 periodic elections was significantly affected by:

- The Commission's determination of remuneration under section 27(1) of the Act that increased election casual rates to create parity with the Tasmanian public sector.
- The increased complexity and cost of conducting a ballot for the division of Apsley compared to the division of Elwick.

As identified in the 2016 organisational review, the TEC must maintain the capacity and expertise to conduct elections separate to the actual cost of the election. Therefore, as part of the restructure, approximately 26.5% of the salaries of permanent TEC staff are now drawn against Legislative Council elections. Therefore to be able to provide a more accurate comparison between the cost of Federal, House of Assembly, Legislative Council and local government elections, the salaries of permanent TEC are not included in these calculations.

*Note: These numbers have been adjusted from the respective annual reports as figures in these reports included a proportion of permanent staff salaries.

TABLE 8: COST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Election year	2005	2007	2009	2011	2014
Total cost (\$'000)	1 147	1 211	1 248	1 337	2 098
Number of electors on the roll	350 026	357 091	362 890	366 906	375 355
Cost per elector on the roll	\$3.28	\$3.39	\$3.44	\$3.65	\$5.59*

*Increase in cost reflects the move to “all-in all-out” elections in 2014.

TABLE 9: COST OF FEDERAL ELECTIONS

Election year	2004	2007	2010	2013	2016
Cost per elector on the roll	\$5.79	\$8.36	\$7.68	\$9.48	\$14.28

These figures were obtained from the AEC’s ‘2017 Electoral Pocket Book’.

Federal election costs do not include a component for the decentralised structure of permanent divisional returning offices.

TABLE 10: COST OF MANAGING AND MAINTAINING THE ELECTORAL ROLL

This time series has been revised to include costs charged to Tasmania’s 29 local government councils.

Financial year	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Expenditure on roll (\$'000)	417	433	413	440	435
Number of electors on the roll at June 30	365 598	366 991	373 911	375 444	381 348
Cost per elector on the roll	\$1.14	\$1.18	\$1.10	\$1.17	\$1.14

These costs include the cost to the State of the State/Commonwealth joint roll arrangement, communications lines to the national roll management system, associated IT costs and the cost of providing the roll to members of the Tasmanian Parliament, registered parties and other organisations approved by the Commission under section 40 of the *Electoral Act 2004*.

2018 State Election Tally Room - ABC TV and radio on-site studios





Appendices

Appendix A

The Commission met four times during the year. It also made a number of out-of-session resolutions (between meetings) in accordance with the procedures set out in clause 6 of schedule 2 of the *Electoral Act 2004*, making the following appointments, approvals, delegation, determination, approvals and termination.

APPOINTMENTS

Electoral Act 2004

Section no.	Subject	Date approved
2017 Pembroke by-election		
24(1)	Returning Officer – Division of Pembroke	3/10/17
93(1) & (2) & 92(4)	Polling places – Division of Pembroke	3/10/17
2018 Legislative Council elections		
24(1)	Returning Officers – Divisions of Hobart and Prosser	27/03/18
93(1) & (2) & 92(4)	Polling places – Divisions of Hobart and Prosser	27/03/18
Appointments for the 2018 House of Assembly elections.		
24(1)	Returning Officers	11/08/17
93(1) & (2) & 92(4)	Polling places	11/08/17
92(4)	Additional Polling place	22/02/18

APPROVALS

Local Government Act 1993

Section no.	Subject	Date approved
284(2)	Ballot paper envelopes	03/11/17
257(2) & 255(2) (a)	General Manager's roll enrolment forms	24/05/18
271	Nomination form	04/06/18

DELEGATION

Electoral Act 2004

Section no.	Subject	Date approved
26	In accordance with section 11 of the Act, delegation to the Commissioner the power to appoint appropriate persons to be election officials	11/08/17

DETERMINATION

Electoral Act 2004

Section no.	Subject	Date approved
27(1)	Remuneration & allowances payable to Returning Officers & election officials	20/12/17

APPROVALS

Electoral Act 2004

Section no.	Subject	Date approved
73(3), 88(2), 89(3), 89(5), 124(2)(c), 214(2)(b) & 226(3)(b)	Approval of newspapers for public notices	27/03/18
161	Candidate expenditure return	07/05/18
130(1)	Postal vote instructions	07/05/18
2018 House of Assembly elections		
77(2), (3) & (4)	House of Assembly individual, party and group nomination forms	11/08/17
126(1)(g) & 128(1)	Persons approved to receive postal vote applications	13/02/17
126(1)(g) & 128(1)	Appointment of electoral officials for the receipt of postal vote applications	27/03/18

TERMINATION

Electoral Act 2004

Section no.	Subject	Date approved
2018 House of Assembly elections		
93(3)	Termination of polling place	16/02/18

Appendix B

Legislative Council Elections



2018 ELECTION SUMMARY

Issue of the writs	6pm	Wednesday 4 April
Close of nominations	12 noon	Thursday 12 April
Polling day	8am - 6pm	Saturday 5 May
Return of the writs	Hobart	Tuesday 8 May
	Prosser	Thursday 17 May

Division	Retiring Member	Elected candidate
Hobart	Rob Valentine	Rob Valentine
Prosser	<i>Inaugural Election</i>	Jane Howlett

PERIODIC CYCLE AS AT 30 JUNE 2018

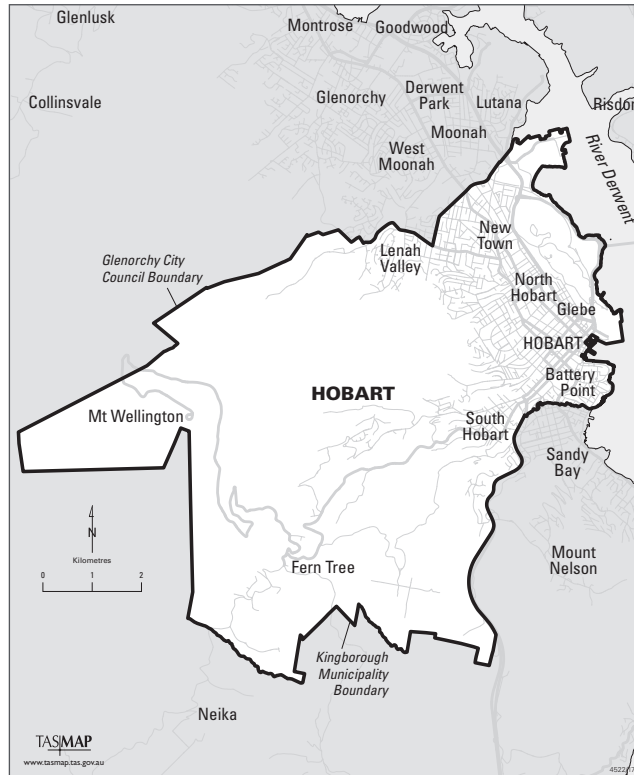
Periodic Legislative Council elections are held on the first Saturday in May each year.

Year	Division	Current Member
2019	Montgomery	Leonie Hiscutt
	Nelson	Jim Wilkinson
	Pembroke	Jo Siejka
2020	Huon	Robert Armstrong
	Rosevears	Kerry Finch
2021	Derwent	Craig Farrell
	Mersey	Mike Gaffney
	Windermere	Ivan Dean
2022	Elwick	Josh Willie
	McIntyre	Tania Rattray
2023	Launceston	Rosemary Armitage
	Murchison	Ruth Forrest
	Rumney	Sarah Lovell
2024	Hobart	Rob Valentine
	Prosser	Jane Howlett

A candidate must obtain an absolute majority of the formal vote to be elected under the preferential voting system used for Legislative Council elections. If no candidate has an absolute majority from first preferences, the candidate with the lowest number of votes is excluded and their votes transferred to remaining candidates. The process of excluding candidates continues until one candidate obtains the required majority.

DIVISIONAL MAPS FOR THE 2018 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PERIODIC ELECTIONS

Divisional maps are also available on our website.



Legislative Council Elections Results - Hobart

FIRST PREFERENCE VOTES AND INFORMAL BALLOT PAPERS - BY POLLING PLACE

HOBART									
Polling place	BARNETT, Alan T4T-Tasmanians 4 Tasmania	BEHRAKIS, Simon Liberal Party	GRIGGS, Richard Independent	HEXT, Brendon Shooters, Fishers, Farmers Tas	SIMCOX, Chris Animal Justice Party	VALENTINE, Rob Independent	Total formal votes	Informal	Total ballot papers counted
Agfest	4	23	13	3	6	38	87	4	91
Battery Point	9	187	185	9	33	275	698	19	717
Battery Point West	15	118	131	11	42	194	511	9	520
Cascades	17	172	416	22	98	522	1 247	38	1 285
Fern Tree	6	36	141	5	27	187	402	14	416
Hobart City	21	146	160	19	70	252	668	25	693
Mount Stuart	30	179	270	16	69	479	1 043	38	1 081
New Town	19	269	329	31	100	590	1 338	36	1 374
New Town West	50	469	481	52	128	953	2 133	81	2 214
North Hobart Central	32	173	343	28	125	626	1 327	49	1 376
South Hobart	28	207	431	21	71	520	1 278	39	1 317
West Hobart	25	126	150	18	67	297	683	30	713
West Hobart Central	35	259	469	33	131	750	1 677	53	1 730
West Hobart South	18	129	267	6	60	385	865	23	888
Mobile	13	72	40	4	8	103	240	12	252
Total Ordinary	322	2 565	3 826	278	1 035	6 171	14 197	470	14 667
Pre-poll	45	527	548	38	150	1 132	2 440	51	2 491
Postal	36	334	268	33	109	614	1 394	25	1 419
Provisional	2	11	17	1	7	25	63	0	63
Out of division	8	48	32	3	18	92	201	8	209
TOTALS	413	3 485	4 691	353	1 319	8 034	18 295	554	18 849
% Formal vote	2.26%	19.05%	25.64%	1.93%	7.21%	43.91%	2.94% informal		

Election held	5 May 2018	Electors enrolled	24 665
Retiring Member	The Honourable Robert (Rob) HF Valentine	Electors who voted	18 849 (76.42%)
Returning Officer	Justin Meeker	Informal votes	554 (2.94%)
Elected member to serve for a six year term until May 2024			

DISTRIBUTION OF PREFERENCES

		HOBART									
		BARNETT, Alan T4T-Tasmanians 4 Tasmania	BEHRAKIS, Simon Liberal Party	GRIGGS, Richard Independent	HEXT, Brendon Shooters, Fishers, Farmers Tas	SIMCOX, Chris Animal Justice Party	VALENTINE, Rob Independent	Exhausted votes	Formal votes	Absolute majority	Remarks
Count 1	Total votes	413	3 485	4 691	353	1 319	8 034	18 295	9 148	First preferences	
	Votes transferred	66	54	79	- 353	71	83			HEXT excluded	
Count 2	Total votes	479	3 539	4 770	0	1 390	8 117	18 295	9 148		
	Votes transferred	- 479	75	145		100	159			BARNETT excluded	
Count 3	Total votes	0	3 614	4 915		1 490	8 276	18 295	9 148		
	Votes transferred		144	666		-1 490	657	23		SIMCOX excluded	
Count 4	Total votes		3 758	5 581		0	8 933	23	18 295	9 137	
	Votes transferred		-3 758	1 470			2 099	189		BEHRAKIS excluded	
Count 5	Total votes			7 051		11 032	212	18 295	9 042		
				38.99%		61.01%					

VALENTINE elected

Legislative Council Elections Results - Prosser

FIRST PREFERENCE VOTES AND INFORMAL BALLOT PAPERS - BY POLLING PLACE

PROSSER									
Polling place	BAIN, Jo Independent	BENNETT, Lorraine Shooters, Fishers, Farmers Tas	HARRISS, Colin T4T-Tasmanians 4 Tasmania	HOWLETT, Jane Liberal Party	LAMBERT, Janet Australian Labor Party	MAV, Steve Independent	MULDER, Tony Independent	PARKINSON, Doug Independent	PEART, Kim Independent
Agfest	7	41	2	155	62	75	36	5	2
Bagdad	18	57	7	175	140	150	35	13	1
Bicheno	9	27	2	156	118	78	34	8	11
Brighton	30	83	6	533	424	601	100	31	12
Broadmarsh	5	14	3	67	26	39	17	5	1
Campania	8	36	0	147	80	59	52	6	5
Campbell Town	12	47	2	198	165	78	52	11	6
Colebrook	4	25	1	53	33	4	18	2	3
Coles Bay	3	6	1	44	29	6	8	2	0
Copping	16	10	6	30	31	35	25	2	5
Dodges Ferry	38	52	7	288	449	575	179	44	20
Dunalley	10	14	2	52	69	51	51	6	6
Forcett	7	29	1	84	68	111	54	12	10
Kempton	8	13	2	85	65	38	23	3	2
Levendale	4	12	1	21	8	9	9	3	0
Nubeena	9	33	4	110	122	57	67	29	5
Oatlands	38	47	2	182	125	30	46	12	6
Orford	5	11	3	122	55	35	49	5	3
Pontville	4	34	2	153	130	160	44	10	1
Primrose Sands	10	25	7	50	111	148	58	4	7
Ross	7	16	1	70	83	19	14	6	7
Sorell	15	73	8	430	387	430	161	29	14
Swansea	11	34	3	150	96	60	59	5	3
Taranna	2	13	3	55	72	30	52	17	4
Tea Tree	6	17	0	72	38	31	16	5	1
Triabunna	9	33	8	180	132	50	38	9	3
Tunnack	12	16	0	48	21	6	25	2	1
Mobile	2	3	1	35	35	10	16	5	1
Total Ordinary	309	821	85	3 745	3 174	2 975	1 338	291	140
Pre-poll	37	116	13	625	527	501	330	53	21
Postal	48	119	22	547	402	247	172	36	15
Provisional	1	2	0	6	10	9	2	0	0
Out of division	22	19	6	128	124	66	38	7	5
TOTALS	417	1 077	126	5 051	4 237	3 798	1 880	387	181
% Formal vote	2.16%	5.57%	0.65%	26.13%	21.92%	19.65%	9.73%	2.00%	0.94%

Election held 5 May 2018
 Retiring Member *Inaugural election*
 Returning Officer Graeme Ingram
 Elected member to serve for a six year term until May 2024

Electors enrolled 23 527
 Electors who voted 20 345 (86.48%)
 Informal votes 1 018 (5.00%)

Prosser first preference votes continued

	PLAYSTED, Jim Independent	SPALDING, Kelly Independent	THE DUKE OF AVRAM, John Independent	WIGGINS, Scott Independent	Total formal votes	Informal	Total ballot papers counted
Agfest	14	8	2	28	437	29	466
Bagdad	15	7	6	12	636	48	684
Bicheno	30	3	4	7	487	38	525
Brighton	17	13	16	30	1 896	162	2 058
Broadmarsh	2	3	2	4	188	9	197
Campania	18	9	5	24	449	39	488
Campbell Town	22	8	5	18	624	37	661
Colebrook	6	4	2	5	160	13	173
Coles Bay	16	1	1	1	118	7	125
Copping	11	3	4	2	180	4	184
Dodges Ferry	59	30	36	28	1 805	95	1 900
Dunalley	20	11	1	2	295	16	311
Forcett	25	2	6	13	422	32	454
Kempton	16	5	2	7	269	20	289
Levendale	0	1	0	18	86	3	89
Nubeena	52	85	7	8	588	29	617
Oatlands	30	3	5	50	576	27	603
Orford	119	3	1	17	428	11	439
Pontville	14	0	2	13	567	30	597
Primrose Sands	6	5	13	7	451	27	478
Ross	12	1	3	4	243	17	260
Sorell	61	22	30	43	1 703	92	1 795
Swansea	55	2	2	4	484	23	507
Taranna	34	29	1	4	316	15	331
Tea Tree	12	4	4	4	210	9	219
Triabunna	57	3	3	14	539	26	565
Tunnack	4	1	3	30	169	4	173
Mobile	4	0	2	9	123	4	127
Total Ordinary	731	266	168	406	14 449	866	15 315
Pre-poll	116	53	44	98	2 534	80	2 614
Postal	88	47	31	56	1 830	50	1 880
Provisional	1	0	0	0	31	2	33
Out of division	33	11	11	13	483	20	503
TOTALS	969	377	254	573	19 327	1 018	20 345
% Formal vote	5.01%	1.95%	1.31%	2.96%		5.00% informal	

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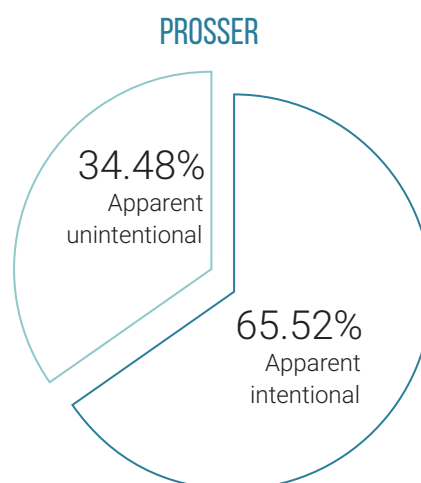
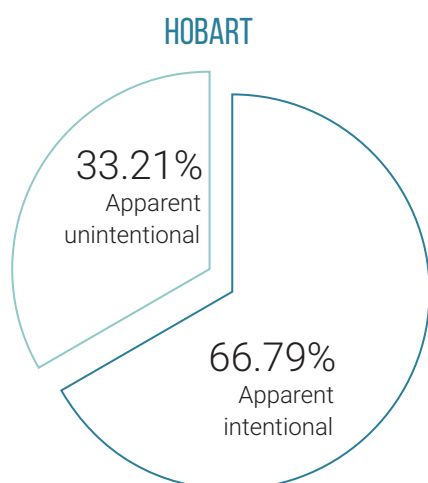
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Count 1	Total votes	417	1 077	126	5 051	4 237	3 798	1 880	387	181
Count 2	Votes transferred	7	24	- 126	20	14	19	9	4	5
	Total votes	424	1 101	0	5 071	4 251	3 817	1 889	391	186
Count 3	Votes transferred	22	9		8	27	25	18	24	- 186
	Total votes	446	1 110		5 079	4 278	3 842	1 907	415	0
Count 4	Votes transferred	16	32		34	36	45	27	21	
	Total votes	462	1 142		5 113	4 314	3 887	1 934	436	
Count 5	Votes transferred	51	29		52	70	65	59	27	
	Total votes	513	1 171		5 165	4 384	3 952	1 993	463	
Count 6	Votes transferred	43	29		58	85	59	77	- 463	
	Total votes	556	1 200		5 223	4 469	4 011	2 070	0	
Count 7	Votes transferred	- 556	31		28	155	55	41		
	Total votes	0	1 231		5 251	4 624	4 066	2 111		
Count 8	Votes transferred		101		142	122	110	127		
	Total votes		1 332		5 393	4 746	4 176	2 238		
Count 9	Votes transferred		84		200	316	171	306		
	Total votes		1 416		5 593	5 062	4 347	2 544		
Count 10	Votes transferred		-1 416		371	328	259	253		
	Total votes		0		5 964	5 390	4 606	2 797		
Count 11	Votes transferred				921	520	786	-2 797		
	Total votes				6 885	5 910	5 392	0		
Count 12	Votes transferred				1 891	1 979	-5 392			
	Total votes				8 776	7 889	0			
					52.66%	47.34%				

Distribution of preferences continued

		PLAYSTED, Jim Independent	SPALDING, Kelly Independent	THE DUKE OF AVRAM, John Independent	WIGGINS, Scott Independent	Exhausted votes	Formal votes	Absolute majority	Remarks
Count 1	Total votes	969	377	254	573		19 327	9 664	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	6	5	6	7				HARRISS excluded
Count 3	Total votes	975	382	260	580		19 327	9 664	
Count 3	Votes transferred	9	22	8	14				PEART excluded
Count 4	Total votes	984	404	268	594		19 327	9 664	
Count 4	Votes transferred	18	25	- 268	14				THE DUKE OF AVRAM excluded
Count 5	Total votes	1 002	429	0	608	0	19 327	9 664	
Count 5	Votes transferred	30	- 429		43	3			SPALDING excluded
Count 6	Total votes	1 032	0		651	3	19 327	9 663	
Count 6	Votes transferred	49			41	22			PARKINSON excluded
Count 7	Total votes	1 081			692	25	19 327	9 652	
Count 7	Votes transferred	116			74	56			BAIN excluded
Count 8	Total votes	1 197			766	81	19 327	9 624	
Count 8	Votes transferred	87			- 766	77			WIGGINS excluded
Count 9	Total votes	1 284			0	158	19 327	9 585	
Count 9	Votes transferred	-1 284				207			PLAYSTED excluded
Count 10	Total votes	0				365	19 327	9 482	
Count 10	Votes transferred					205			BENNETT excluded
Count 11	Total votes					570	19 327	9 379	
Count 11	Votes transferred					570			MULDER excluded
Count 12	Total votes					1 140	19 327	9 094	
Count 12	Votes transferred					1 522			MAV excluded
	Total votes					2 662	19 327	8 333	HOWLETT elected

Legislative Council Elections Informal Ballot Paper Survey

Apparent intentional informal voting	Hobart	Prosser	Total
Blank	151	322	473
Deliberate informal or scribble/ messages only	219	345	564
Total	370	667	1 037
Apparent unintentional informal voting			
Contains writing identifying elector	0	0	0
Contains only ticks or crosses	106	170	276
No first preference	5	13	18
Repetitions or omissions	64	150	214
Two or more first preferences	9	18	27
Total	184	351	535
Total	554	1 018	1 572



Appendix C

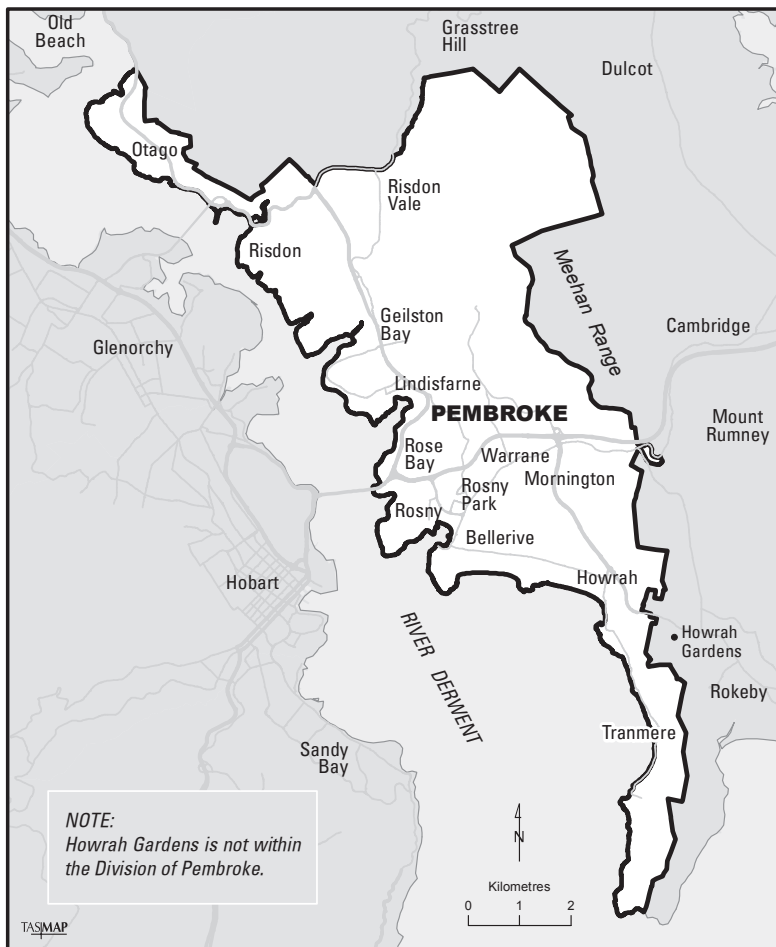
Pembroke By-election

BY-ELECTION SUMMARY

Issue of the writ	6pm	Wednesday 4 October
Close of nominations	12 noon	Thursday 12 October
Polling day	8am - 6pm	Saturday 4 November
Return of the writ		Tuesday 7 November



Division	Retiring Member	Elected candidate
Pembroke	Vanessa Goodwin	Jo Siejka



Legislative Council By-election Results - Pembroke

FIRST PREFERENCE VOTES AND INFORMAL BALLOT PAPERS - BY POLLING PLACE

PEMBROKE								Total formal votes	Informal	Total ballot papers counted
Polling place	CHIPMAN, Doug Independent	DI FALCO, Carlo Shooters, Fishers, Farmers Tas	HARVEY, Bill Tasmanian Greens	JAMES, Richard Independent	SIEJKA, Jo Australian Labor Party	WALKER, James Liberal Party	WILLINK, Hans Independent			
Bellerive	226	27	144	109	344	257	23	1 130	26	1 156
Clarence	347	55	208	154	651	464	46	1 925	72	1 997
Geilston Bay	353	57	164	117	620	521	40	1 872	94	1 966
Howrah	372	43	139	116	649	500	49	1 868	69	1 937
Lindisfarne	292	46	167	85	374	379	41	1 384	38	1 422
Lindisfarne Village	387	34	215	115	411	478	35	1 675	55	1 730
Montagu Bay	224	26	128	78	323	290	34	1 103	36	1 139
Mornington	94	27	35	20	204	106	10	496	16	512
Risdon Vale	134	73	54	95	519	190	16	1 081	81	1 162
Tranmere	503	48	168	122	591	701	65	2 198	70	2 268
Warrane	244	85	156	86	808	274	39	1 692	85	1 777
Mobile	90	5	13	24	44	80	5	261	10	271
Total Ordinary	3 266	526	1 591	1 121	5 538	4 240	403	16 685	652	17 337
Pre-poll	705	91	293	309	976	851	75	3 300	93	3 393
Postal	322	40	113	151	432	375	21	1 454	25	1 479
Provisional	8	2	9	4	18	12	2	55	2	57
TOTALS	4 301	659	2 006	1 585	6 964	5 478	501	21 494	772	22 266
% Formal vote	20.01%	3.07%	9.33%	7.37%	32.40%	25.49%	2.33%		3.47% informal	

By-election held	4 November 2017	Electors enrolled	26 079
Resigning Member	The Honourable Vanessa Goodwin	Electors who voted	22 266 (85.38%)
Returning Officer	Justin Meeker	Informal votes	772 (3.47%)
Elected member to serve until May 2019			

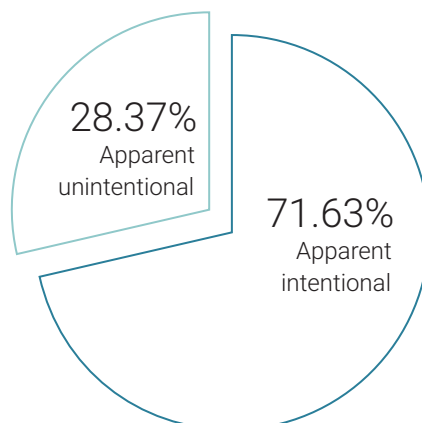
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PEMBROKE

	CHIPMAN, Doug Independent	DI FALCO, Carlo Shooters, Fishers, Farmers Tas	HARVEY, Bill Tasmanian Greens	JAMES, Richard Independent	SIEJKA, Jo Australian Labor Party	WALKER, James Liberal Party	WILLINK, Hans Independent	Exhausted votes	Formal votes	Absolute majority	Remarks
Count 1 Total votes	4 301	659	2 006	1 585	6 964	5 478	501	21 494	10 748	First preferences	
Count 2 Votes transferred	127	45	69	112	89	59	- 501				WILLINK excluded
Total votes	4 428	704	2 075	1 697	7 053	5 537	0	21 494	10 748		
Count 3 Votes transferred	184	- 704	85	142	186	107					DI FALCO excluded
Total votes	4 612	0	2 160	1 839	7 239	5 644		21 494	10 748		
Count 4 Votes transferred	749		269	-1 839	387	399		35			JAMES excluded
Total votes	5 361		2 429	0	7 626	6 043		35	21 494	10 730	
Count 5 Votes transferred	676		-2 429		1 423	219		111			HARVEY excluded
Total votes	6 037		0		9 049	6 262		146	21 494	10 675	
Count 6 Votes transferred	-6 037				2 813	2 524		700			CHIPMAN excluded
Total votes	0				11 862	8 786		846	21 494	10 325	SIEJKA elected
					57.45%	42.55%					

Pembroke By-election Informal Ballot Paper Survey

Apparent intentional informal voting	Pembroke
Blank	221
Deliberate informal or scribble/ messages only	332
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Total	553
Apparent unintentional informal voting	
Contains writing identifying elector	0
Contains only ticks or crosses	115
No first preference	4
Repetitions or omissions	67
Two or more first preferences	33
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Total	219
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Total	772



Appendix D

Local Government Election Results - Glenorchy City

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and 10 Councillors (Aldermen), all for 4 year terms.

At close of the roll, 33,283 Glenorchy City electors were enrolled, comprising 33,234 (99.85%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 49 (0.15%) from the General Manager's roll.

At the close of polling, 54.79% of Glenorchy City electors returned their ballot papers.

Glenorchy City Councillors (Aldermen) elected to serve until the 2022 ordinary elections:

Mayor

JOHNSTON, Kristie

Deputy Mayor

STEVENSON, Matt

10 Councillors (Aldermen)

JOHNSTON, Kristie

STEVENSON, Matt

DUNSBY, Jan

CARLTON, Melissa

RICHARDSON, Gaye

BULL, Peter

FRASER, Simon

THOMAS, Bec

SIMS, Kelly

KING, Steven

Complete results are published on the TEC website and the 2018 Local Government Report.

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