



# Central Coast Council 2000 election report

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## Local Government Elections in Tasmania

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

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

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

Candidate information booklets and complete election results for the state are available from the TEO and are posted on the TEO website [www.electoral.tas.gov.au](http://www.electoral.tas.gov.au).

### 2000 Election timetable

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

### Casual vacancies

Casual vacancies are filled by recount where possible, unless the vacancy occurs within 6 months of a forthcoming election. Only **unelected** candidates from the relevant election may contest a recount. A candidate elected at a recount serves until the next council election. If a recount is not possible, a by-election is held—with the candidate elected to serve for the remainder of the term of office of the original councillor.

### Elector polls

A council may hold an elector poll on any issue it determines. It may also be required to hold an elector poll following petitions from electors in accordance with Part 6 of the Act. A council is not bound by the result of an elector poll.

### Electoral system

Voting in Tasmanian local government elections is not compulsory.

Elections for councillor positions are conducted using a system modelled on the Hare-Clark method of proportional representation used in Tasmanian House of Assembly elections.

Mayoral and deputy mayoral elections use a preferential system similar to that used for Tasmanian Legislative Council and Federal House of Representatives elections.

## Report on the 2000 Central Coast Council Election

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

14866 Central Coast electors were enrolled for the 2000 elections, comprising 14740 (99.15%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 126 (0.84%) from the General Manager's roll.

57.59% of Central Coast electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 57.78% statewide.

### Candidates at the 2000 elections

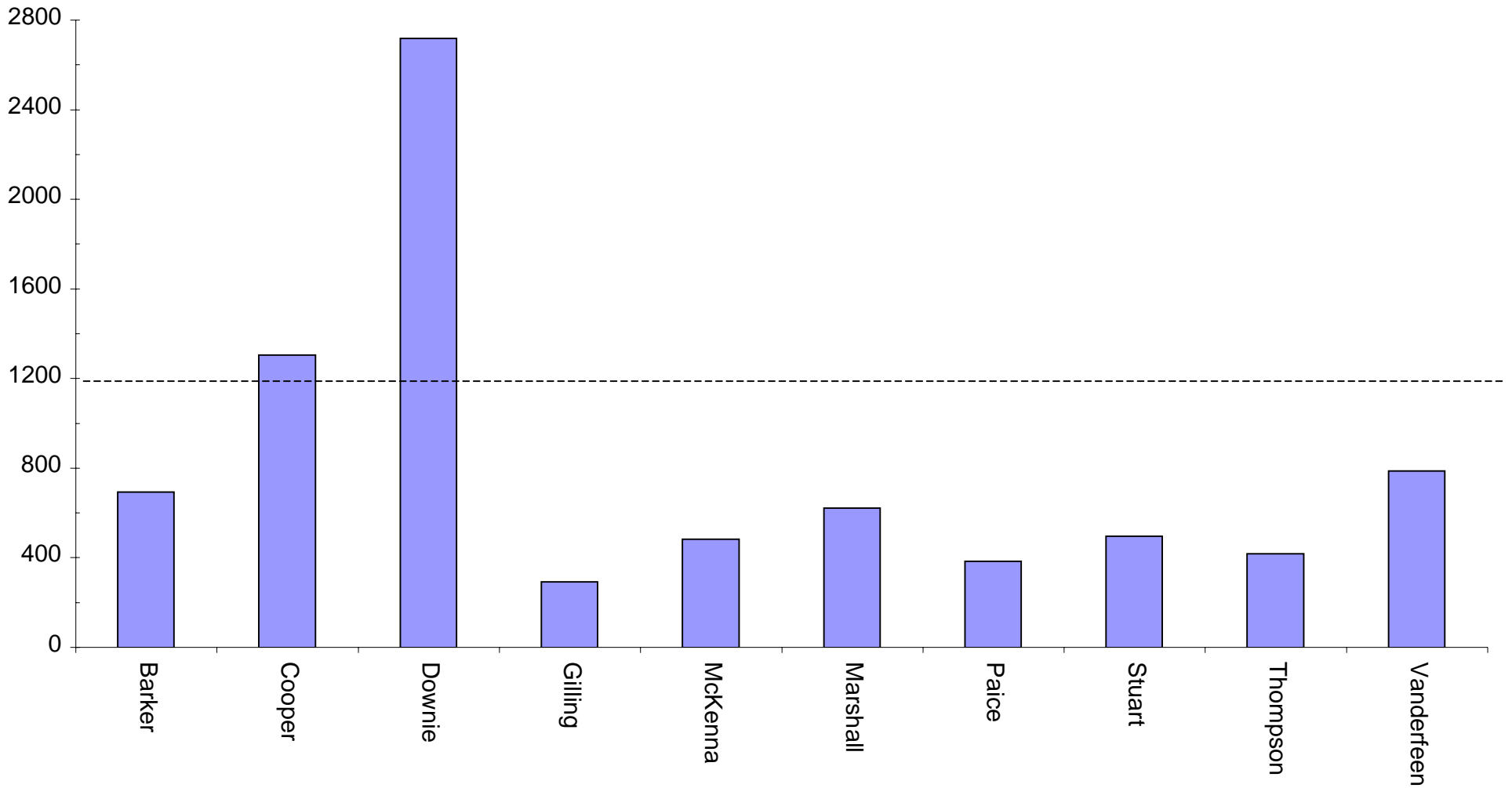
<b>Mayor</b>		<b>Councillors</b>	
★ DOWNIE, Mike*	Penguin	★ BARKER, Warren	Penguin
		★ COOPER, Rodney*	Ulverstone
		★ DOWNIE, Mike*	Penguin
		GILLING, Lesley	North Motton
		★ McKENNA, Terry*	Penguin
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>		★ MARSHALL, Beryl	Ulverstone
COOPER, Rodney	Ulverstone	PAICE, Jon	Ulverstone
HAINES, Ken	Ulverstone	STUART, Terry*	Ulverstone
★ ROBERTSON, Brian*	Penguin	THOMPSON, Gavin*	North Motton
VANDERFEEN, Andrew	Ulverstone	★ VANDERFEEN, Andrew*	Ulverstone

★ denotes elected candidate  
\* denotes seeking re-election

### Central Coast Councillors following the 2000 elections

<b>Mayor</b>	<b>12 Councillors</b>	
<i>term ends 2002</i>	<i>term ends 2004</i>	<i>term ends 2002</i>
DOWNIE Mike	DOWNIE Mike	DRY David
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	COOPER Rodney	SMITH Julie
<i>term ends 2002</i>	VANDERFEEN Andrew	ROBERTSON Brian
ROBERTSON Brian	BARKER Warren	JOHNSTONE Philippa Joan
	MARSHALL Beryl	EDWARDS Jan
	McKENNA Terry	HAINES Ken

## Central Coast Council - 2000 Councillor first preferences



# Councillor distribution of preferences

## Central Coast

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

Number to be elected : 6

Returning Officer : Mr Julian Type

Electors enrolled : 14 866

Declarations rejected : 193

Ballot paper adjustment : 9

Formal votes : 8 190

Declarations returned : 8 562

Declarations admitted : 8 369

Total ballot papers : 8 360

Informal ballot papers : 170

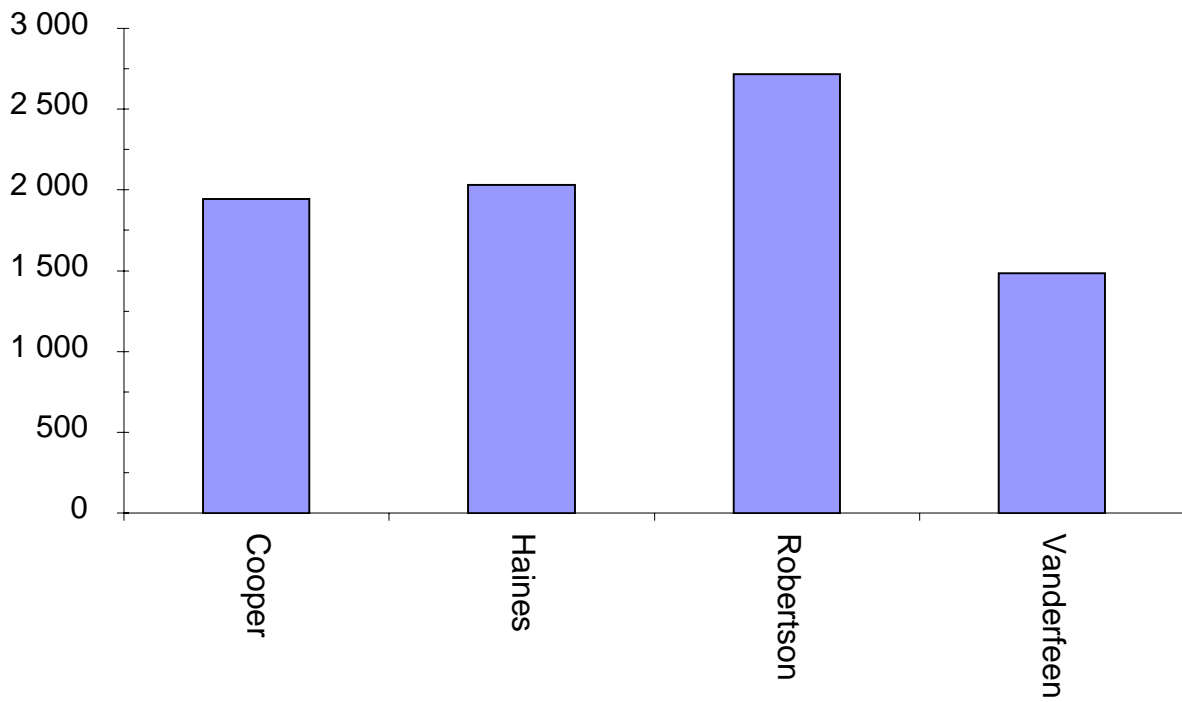
Response 57.59%

Rejection rate : 2.25%

Informality rate : 2.03%

	CANDIDATES										Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
	Barker	Cooper	Downie	Gilling	McKenna	Marshall	Paice	Stuart	Thompson	Vanderfeen			
Count 1	Total	1 303.00	2 718.00	291.00	482.00	621.00	383.00	496.00	417.00	787.00	0.04	8 190.00	<b>Downie elected 1, Cooper elected 2</b>
Count 2	Votes transferred	287.99	-1 547.00	73.42	324.99	195.22	114.97	198.63	161.64	190.10	0.04	8 190.00	Downie's surplus distributed
	Progress totals	979.99	1 303.00	364.42	806.99	816.22	497.97	694.63	578.64	977.10	0.03	8 190.00	Cooper's surplus distributed
Count 3	Votes transferred	15.60	-132.00	6.68	15.60	18.74	6.38	11.54	22.38	35.05	0.07	8 190.00	Gilling excluded
	Progress totals	995.59	1 171.00	371.10	822.59	834.96	504.35	706.17	601.02	1 012.15	0.13	8 190.00	Paice part excluded
Counts 4 to 6	Votes transferred	43.88		-371.10	48.17	104.64	61.74	26.32	27.09	59.20	0.02	8 190.00	<b>Vanderfeen elected 3</b>
	Progress totals	1 039.47	1 171.00	0.00	870.76	939.60	566.09	732.49	628.11	1 071.35	0.02	8 190.00	Paice fully excluded
Counts 7 to 8	Votes transferred	90.05			72.92	108.76	-558.50	109.75	76.36	100.64	0.17	8 190.00	Vanderfeen's surplus distributed
	Progress totals	1 129.52	1 171.00	1 171.00	943.68	1 048.36	7.59	842.24	704.47	1 171.99	0.20	8 190.00	Thompson part excluded
Count 9	Votes transferred	1.31			0.30	2.02	-7.59	1.62	2.32		0.00	8 190.00	<b>Barker elected 4, Marshall elected 5</b>
	Progress totals	1 130.83	1 171.00	1 171.00	943.98	1 050.38	0.00	843.86	706.79	1 171.99	0.20	8 190.00	Thompson part excluded
Count 10	Votes transferred	0.25			0.25	0.22		0.12	0.12	-0.99	0.03	8 190.00	McKenna elected 6
	Progress totals	1 131.08	1 171.00	1 171.00	944.23	1 050.60		843.98	706.91	1 171.00	0.19	8 190.00	
Count 11	Votes transferred	110.00			135.00	127.00		125.00	-497.00		0.00	8 190.00	
	Progress totals	1 241.08	1 171.00	1 171.00	1 079.23	1 177.60		968.98	209.91	1 171.00	0.20	8 190.00	
Count 12	Votes transferred				101.31			77.97	-184.39		5.12	8 190.00	
	Progress totals	1 241.08	1 171.00	1 171.00	1 180.54	1 177.60		1 046.95	25.52	1 171.00	5.12	8 190.00	

## Central Coast Council – 2000 Deputy Mayor first preferences



# Central Coast Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

Returning Officer : Mr Julian Type

Electors enrolled : 14 866

Declarations returned : 8 562

Response 57.59%

## Mayor — Mike Downie

Elected unopposed

## Deputy Mayor

Ballot paper adjustment : 6

Total ballot papers : 8 363

Formal votes : 8 172

Informal ballot papers : 191

Informality Rate : 2.25%

		CANDIDATES				Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Remarks
		Cooper	Haines	Robertson	Vanderfeen			
Count 1	Total	1 941	2 031	2 716	1 484		8 172	
Count 2	Votes transferred	400	428	522	-1 484	134		Vanderfeen excluded
	Progress totals	2 341	2 459	3 238	0	134	8 172	
Count 3	Votes transferred	-2 341	934	1 166		241		Cooper excluded
	Progress totals	0	3 393	4 404		375	8 172	<b>Robertson elected</b>