



# Break O'Day Council 2002 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), 2000 and 2002, with the next elections due in October 2004.

Since 2000 mayors and deputy mayors are elected directly by the electors in each municipal area.

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).

### 2002 Election timetable

Notice of election published	Saturday 14 September
Electoral rolls closed	6 pm Thursday 19 September
Nomination period	23 September — 12 noon on 2 October
Nominations closed	12 noon Wednesday 2 October
Nominations announced & draw for ballot paper positions	12 noon Thursday 3 October
Ballot material delivered to electors	15–18 October
Polling period	15–29 October
Close of poll	10 am Tuesday 29 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 2002 Break O'Day Council Election

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

5075 Break O'Day electors were enrolled for the 2002 elections, comprising 4283 (84.39%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 792 (15.61%) from the General Manager's roll.

70.84% of Break O'Day electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 57.48% statewide.

### Recount

One recount was held between the 2000 and 2002 elections. Councillor Tony Rawnsley resigned from the Break O'Day Council on 13 September 2001. Two unelected candidates from the 1999 Break O'Day election consented to contest the recount. The recount took place at noon Friday 28 September 2001. Full details are provided on the back page.

### Candidates at the 2002 elections

<b>Mayor</b>		<b>Councillors</b>	
LEFEVRE, John	St Helens	★ CATO, Vic*	Scamander
LEGGE, Robert William	St Marys	HANSBERRY, Beris	Goulds Country
★ SALTER, Stephen Gordon*	St Marys	★ LEGGE, Robert William*	St Marys
		★ OSBORNE, Margaret*	St Helens
		STEWART, Barry	St Helens
		★ WARREN, John	St Helens

### Deputy Mayor

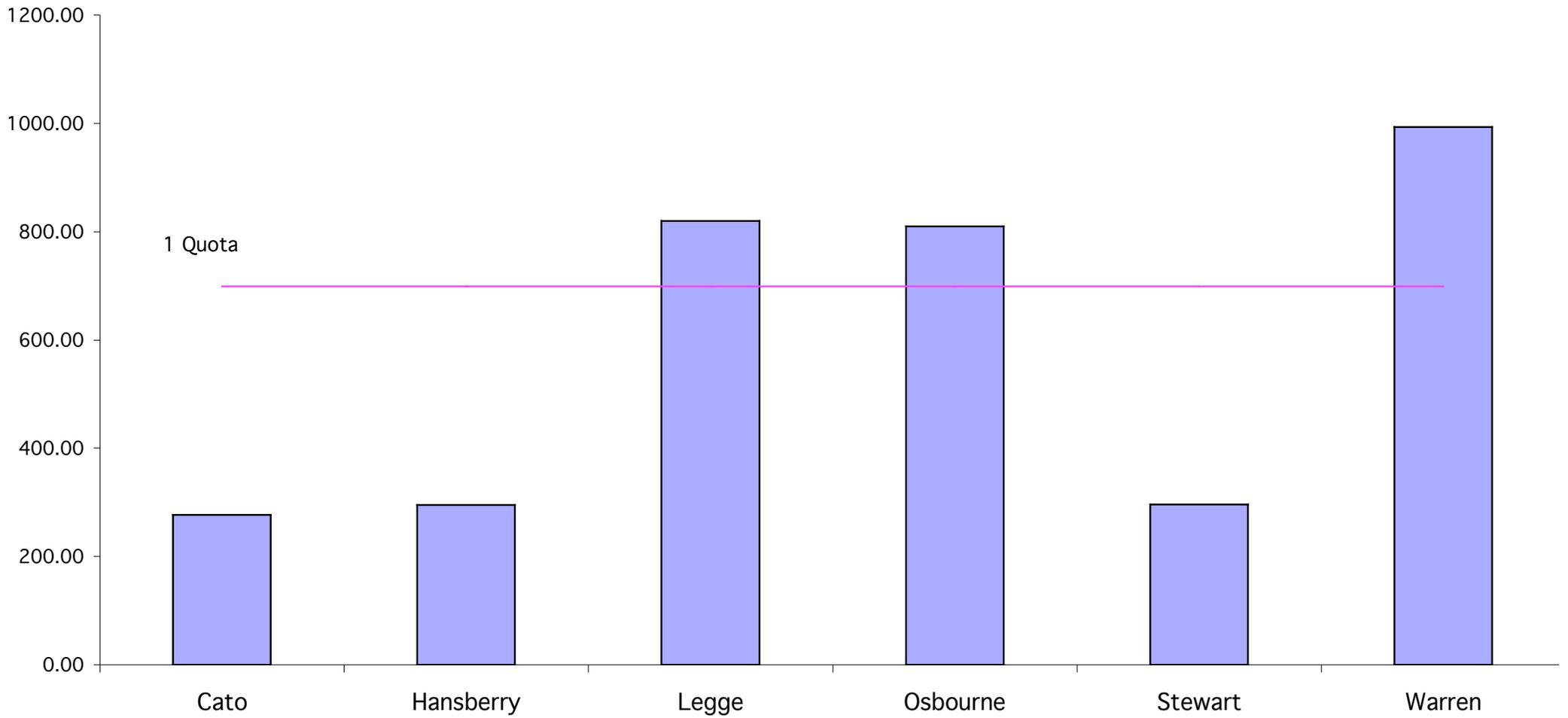
HOLDER, Henry Burbury	Fingal
★ OSBORNE, Margaret*	St Helens

- ★ denotes elected candidate
- \* denotes seeking re-election

## Break O'Day Councillors following the 2002 elections

<b>Mayor</b>	<b>9 Councillors</b>	
<i>term ends 2004</i>	<i>term ends 2006</i>	<i>term ends 2004</i>
SALTER Stephen Gordon	WARREN John	SALTER Stephen Gordon
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	LEGGE Robert William	DALY W J (Bill)
<i>Term ends 2004</i>	OSBORNE Margaret	LE FEVRE John
OSBORNE Margaret	CATO Vic	McGIVERON John Charles
		HOLDER Henry

### Break O'Day 2002 Councillor First Preferences



## Break O'Day Council

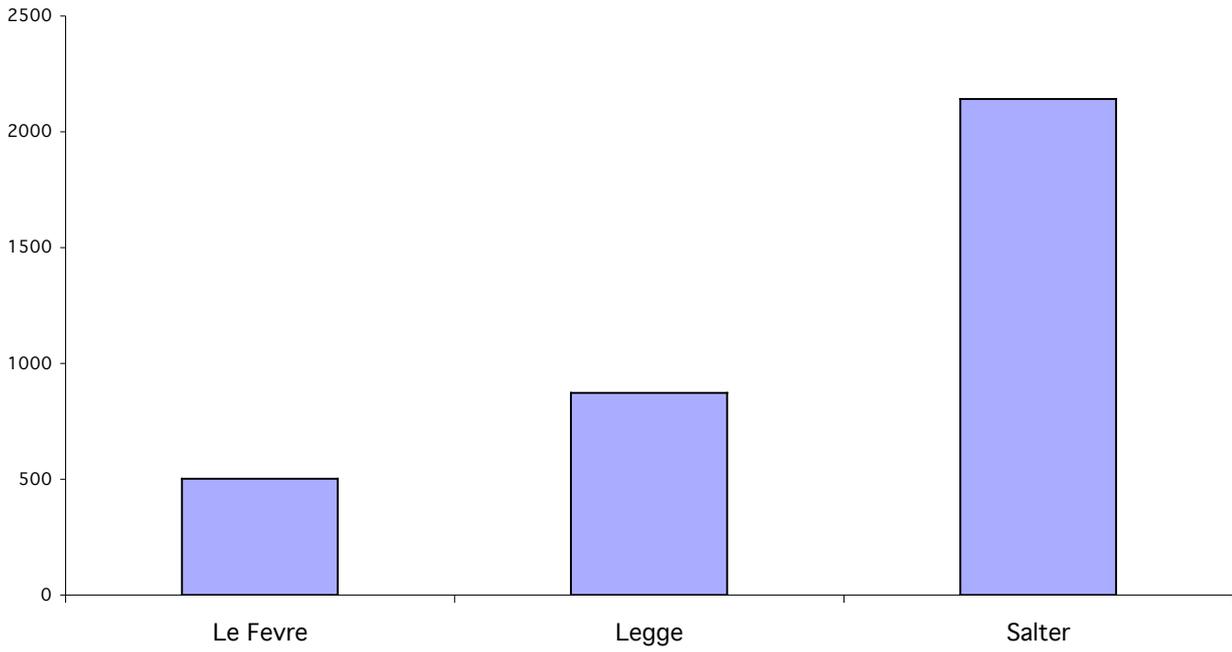
Electors enrolled: 5075      Declarations rejected: 51      Ballot paper adjustment: 0      Formal Votes: 3491  
 Polling closed at 10am 29 October 2002      Declarations returned: 3595      Declarations admitted: 3544      Total ballot papers: 3544      Informal ballot papers: 53  
 Number to be elected: 4      Response: 70.84%      Rejection rate: 1.42%      Informality rate: 1.50%

Returning Officer: Mr Davin Foulkes

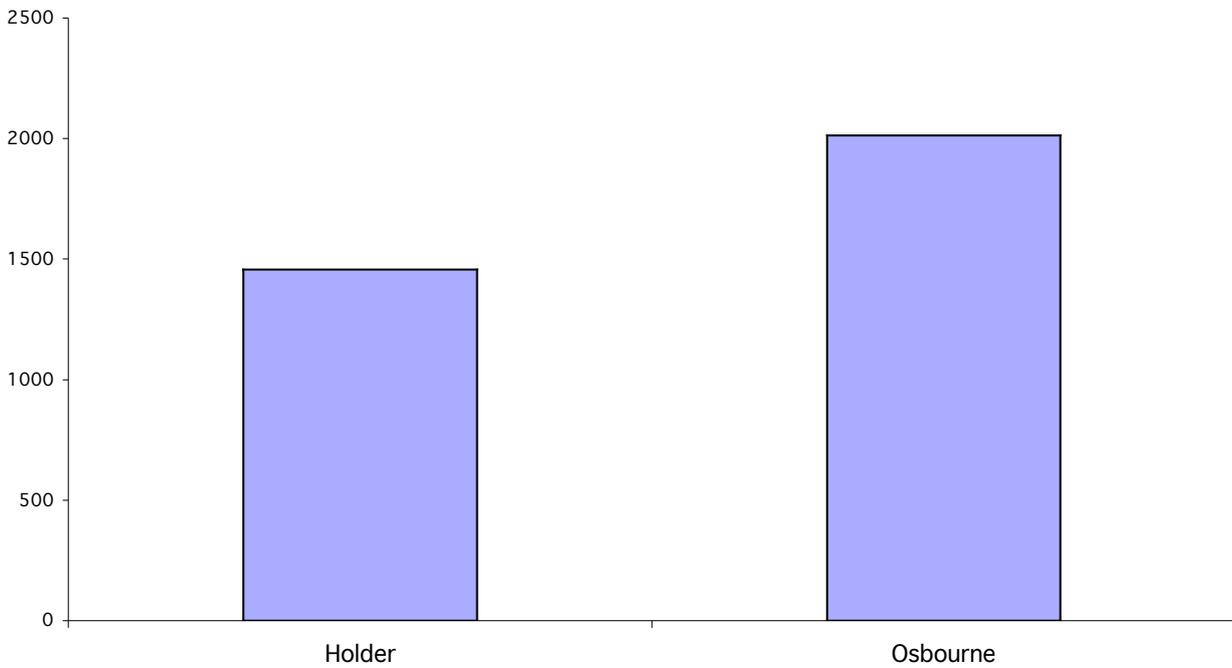
Quota = 699

		Candidates						Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
		Cato	Hansberry	Legge	Osbourne	Stewart	Warren				
Count 1	Total	277.00	295.00	820.00	810.00	296.00	993.00	0.00	0.00	3491	<b>Warren elected 1, Legge elected 2, Osborne elected 3</b>
Count 2	Votes transferred	113.39	49.74			130.86	-294.00	0.00	0.01		Warren's surplus distributed
Count 3	Progress totals	390.39	344.74	820.00	810.00	426.86	699.00	0.00	0.01	3491	
	Votes transferred	52.82	21.10	-121.00		47.07		0.00	0.01		Legge's surplus distributed
Count 4	Progress totals	443.21	365.84	699.00	810.00	473.93	699.00	0.00	0.02	3491	
	Votes transferred	38.91	32.47		-111.00	39.60		0.00	0.02		Osborne's surplus distributed
Count 5 to 8	Progress totals	482.12	398.31	699.00	699.00	513.53	699.00	0.00	0.04	3491	Hansberry excluded
	Votes transferred	213.25	-398.31			159.60		25.43	0.03		Hansberry's votes distributed
Count 9	Progress totals	695.37	0.00	699.00	699.00	673.13	699.00	25.43	0.07	3491	<b>Cato elected 4</b>

**Break O'Day 2002 Mayor First Preference**



**Break O'Day 2002 Deputy Mayor First Preferences**



## Break O'Day Council

Polling closed at 10am 29 October 2002

Returning Officer: Mr Davin Foulkes

Declarations admitted: 3544

Ballot paper adjustment: 0

Total ballot papers: 3544

Formal votes: 3516

Informal ballot papers: 28

Informality Rate: 0.79%

### Mayor

		Candidates			Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		Le Fevre	Legge	Salter				
Count 1	Total	502	872	2142		3516	1759	<b>Salter elected</b>

## Break O'Day Council

Polling closed at 10am 29 October 2002

Returning Officer: Mr Davin Foulkes

Declarations admitted: 3544

Ballot paper adjustment: 5

Total ballot papers: 3539

Formal votes: 3469

Informal ballot papers: 70

Informality rate: 1.98%

### Deputy Mayor

		Candidates		Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		Holder	Osbourne				
Count 1	Total	1456	2013	0	3469	1735	<b>Osbourne elected</b>

**Break O'Day Council - recount for Councillor**  
**Recount due to the resignation of Councillor Tony Rawnsley**  
 28 September 2001

Ballot Papers multiplied by 100

		CANDIDATES		Exhausted Votes	Lost by fraction	Total Votes	Absolute majority	Remarks
		CATO	MANSKEY					
Counts 1 to 5	Total	29232	26112	1137	3	56484	27673	Distribution of Rawnsley <b>CATO elected</b>