## a <br> Devonport City Council 2005 election report

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## Local Government Elections in Tasmania

Every two years 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 Commission (TEC) 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, 2002, 2005 (deferred from 2004) with the next elections due in October 2007.

Since 2000 mayors and deputy mayors are elected directly by the electors in all municipal areas. Previously, in most councils, mayors and deputy mayors were elected by the councillors at the first meeting of a new council.

Candidate information booklets and complete election results for the state are available from the TEC and are posted on the TEC website www.electoral.tas.gov.au.

## 2005 Election timetable

Notice of election published
Electoral rolls closed
Nomination period
Nominations closed
Nominations announced \&
draw for ballot paper positions
Ballot material delivered to electors
Polling period
Close of poll

Saturday 10 September
6 pm Thursday 15 September
12 September- 12 noon on 26 September
12 noon Monday 26 September

12 noon Tuesday 27 September
11-14 October
11-25 October
10 am Tuesday 25 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.

Bruce Taylor ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER January 2006

## Report on the 2005 Devonport City Council Election

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

For the 2005 Local Government elections, 17865 Devonport City electors were enrolled, comprising 17623 ( $98.65 \%$ ) from the State House of Assembly roll and 242 (1.35\%) from the General Manager's roll.

The percentage of Devonport City electors returning their ballot papers was $57.87 \%$, in comparison with $58.52 \%$ statewide.

## Recounts

One recount was held between the 2002 and 2005 elections following the death of Councillor (Alderman) Kerry Berwick on Sunday 19 January 2003. Three unelected candidates from the 2000 Devonport City Council election contested the recount. The recount took place at noon Wednesday 5 February 2003. Full details are provided on the back page.

Candidates at the 2005 elections

## Mayor

| COLE, Brian (Snapper) | Ambleside |
| :--- | :--- |
| HOLLISTER, Peter Graham* | Spreyton |
| LAYCOCK, Lynn | Devonport |
| MARSHALL, Bob | Devonport |

Deputy Mayor
GILL, Marie
GOODWIN, Grant
HILL, Maurice Walton
[ MATTHEWS,Jeffrey Francis*
WILSON, Bill

Ambleside
Spreyton

Devonport

Ambleside
East Devonport
Devonport
Spreyton
Devonport

## Councillors



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& \star \text { denotes elected candidate } \\
& \text { * denotes seeking re-election }
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## Devonport City Councillors following the 2005 elections

| Mayor | 12 Councillors |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| term ends 2007 | term ends 2009 | term ends 2007 |
| LAYCOCK, Lynn | HOLLISTER, Peter Graham | GREEN, Robyn |
| Deputy Mayor | COLE, Brian (Snapper) | BARDEN, Rodney (Jake) |
| term ends 2007 | KONETSCHNIK, Fred | WILSON, Bill |
| MATTHEWS, Jeffrey Francis | GATTHEWS, Jeffrey Francis | LAYCOCK, Lynn |
|  | GAVRALAS, Gabrielle (Gabe) | HILL, Maurice |
|  | KENT, Graham (GB) | GOODWIN, Grant Francis |

Devonport City Councillor (Aldermen) 2005 First Preferences


## Devonport City Council

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2005
Number to be elected: 6
Returning Officer: Ms Electra Papas

Electors enrolled: 17865
Declarations returned: 10339
Response: 57.87\%

Declarations rejected: 232
Declarations admitted: 10107
Rejection rate: 2.24\%

|  |  | Candidates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Count 1 | Total | 1477.00 | 879.00 | 485.00 | 1978.00 | 164.00 | 847.00 | 1272.00 | 604.00 | 811.00 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1477.00 | 879.00 | 485.00 | 1978.00 | 164.00 | 847.00 | 1272.00 | 604.00 | 811.00 |
| Count 2 | Votes Transferred |  | 39.39 | 46.63 | - 573.00 | 11.58 | 48.66 | 91.25 | 68.07 | 155.56 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1477.00 | 918.39 | 531.63 | 1405.00 | 175.58 | 895.66 | 1363.25 | 672.07 | 966.56 |
| Count 3 | Votes Transferred | - 72.00 | 8.23 | 6.28 |  | 2.58 | 6.72 | 9.35 | 8.38 | 13.50 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 926.62 | 537.91 | 1405.00 | 178.16 | 902.38 | 1372.60 | 680.45 | 980.06 |
| Count 4 to 6 | Votes Transferred |  | 33.37 | 21.95 |  | -178.16 | 37.82 | 20.86 | 10.76 | 15.16 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 959.99 | 559.86 | 1405.00 | 0.00 | 940.20 | 1393.46 | 691.21 | 995.22 |
| Count 7 | Votes Transferred |  | 28.00 | 11.00 |  |  | 33.00 | 29.00 | 19.00 | 29.00 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 987.99 | 570.86 | 1405.00 |  | 973.20 | 1422.46 | 710.21 | 1024.22 |
| Count 8 to 9 | Votes Transferred |  | 0.86 | 1.44 |  |  | 5.40 |  | 3.47 | 2.69 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 988.85 | 572.30 | 1405.00 |  | 978.60 | 1422.46 | 713.68 | 1026.91 |
| Count 10 | Votes Transferred |  | 0.60 | 2.40 |  |  | 3.61 | - 17.46 | 0.60 | 2.40 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 989.45 | 574.70 | 1405.00 |  | 982.21 | 1405.00 | 714.28 | 1029.31 |
| Count 11 to 14 | Votes Transferred |  | 45.36 | 52.29 |  |  | 44.20 |  | 55.57 | 73.62 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 1034.81 | 626.99 | 1405.00 |  | 1026.41 | 1405.00 | 769.85 | 1102.93 |
| Count 15 to 18 | Votes Transferred |  | 95.73 | 139.10 |  |  | 52.24 |  | 51.72 | 65.32 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 1130.54 | 766.09 | 1405.00 |  | 1078.65 | 1405.00 | 821.57 | 1168.25 |
| Count 19 to 22 | Votes Transferred |  | 106.41 | 126.60 |  |  | 104.37 |  | 118.28 | 192.62 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 1236.95 | 892.69 | 1405.00 |  | 1183.02 | 1405.00 | 939.85 | 1360.87 |
| Count 23 | Votes Transferred |  | 213.00 | -808.00 |  |  | 153.00 |  | 197.00 | 222.00 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 1449.95 | 84.69 | 1405.00 |  | 1336.02 | 1405.00 | 1136.85 | 1582.87 |
| Count 24 to 26 | Votes Transferred |  |  | -84.69 |  |  | 31.01 |  | 44.66 |  |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 1449.95 |  | 1405.00 |  | 1367.03 | 1405.00 | 1181.51 | 1582.87 |
| Count 27 | Votes Transferred |  |  |  |  |  | 71.30 |  | 78.51 | - 177.87 |
|  | Progress Totals | 1405.00 | 1449.95 |  | 1405.00 |  | 1438.33 | 1405.00 | 1260.02 | 1405.00 |

Ballot paper adjustment: 8
Total ballot papers: 10099

Formal Votes: 9832
Informal ballot papers: 267
Informality rate: 2.64\%

Quota $=1405$


## Devonport City Council

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2005
Returning Officer: Ms Electra Papas

## Mayor

Declarations admitted: 10107
Ballot paper adjustment: 7
Total ballot papers: 10100
Formal Votes: 9996
Informal ballot papers: 104
Informality rate: 1.03\%

|  |  | Candidates |  |  |  | Exhausted | Total Votes | Absolute Majority |  |
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| Count 1 | Total | 2283 | 3062 | 3646 | 1005 | 0 |  |  |  |
|  | Progress Totals | 2283 | 3062 | 3646 | 1005 | 0 | 9996 | 4999 | MARSHALL excluded |
| Count 2 | Votes Transferred | 303 | 328 | 281 | -1005 | 93 |  |  | MARSHALL's votes distributed |
|  | Progress Totals | 2586 | 3390 | 3927 | 0 | 93 | 9996 | 4953 | COLE excluded |
| Count 3 | Votes Transferred | -2586 | 1069 | 1205 |  | 312 |  |  | COLE's votes distributed |
|  | Progress Totals | 0 | 4459 | 5132 |  | 405 | 9996 | 4797 | LAYCOCK elected |

## Devonport City Council

| Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2005 | Declarations admitted: 10107 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Returning Officer: Ms Electra Papas | Ballot paper adjustment: 8 |
|  | Total ballot papers: 10099 |
| Deputy Mayor | Formal Votes: 9973 |
|  | Informal ballot papers: 126 |
|  | Informality rate: $1.25 \%$ |


|  |  | Candidates |  |  |  |  | Exhausted | Total Votes | Absolute Majority | Remarks |
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| Count 1 | Total | 1652 | 1379 | 2080 | 3186 | 1676 | 0 |  |  |  |
|  | Progress Totals | 1652 | 1379 | 2080 | 3186 | 1676 | 0 | 9973 | 4988 | GOODWIN excluded |
| Count 2 | Votes Transferred | 312 | -1379 | 200 | 340 | 337 | 190 |  |  | GOODWIN's votes distributed |
|  | Progress Totals | 1964 | 0 | 2280 | 3526 | 2013 | 190 | 9973 | 4893 | GILL excluded |
| Count 3 | Votes Transferred | -1964 |  | 487 | 787 | 435 | 255 |  |  | GILL's votes distributed |
|  | Progress Totals | 0 |  | 2767 | 4313 | 2448 | 445 | 9973 | 4765 | WILSON excluded |
| Count 4 | Votes Transferred |  |  | 1164 | 1019 | -2448 | 265 |  |  | WILSON's votes distributed |
|  | Progress Totals |  |  | 3931 | 5332 | 0 | 710 | 9973 | 4633 | MATTHEWS elected |

Devonport City Mayor 2005 First Preferences


Devonport City Deputy Mayor 2005 First Preferences


## Devonport City Council recount

Recount due to the death of Councillor (Alderman) Kerry Berwick
5 February 2003

CANDIDATES

|  | CANDIDATES |  |  | Exhausted Votes | Lost by fraction | Total Votes | Absolute majority |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | BOYLES <br> Max | MARSHALL <br> R J (Bob) | WEEKS <br> Kate |  |  |  |  | Remarks |
| Counts 1 to 3Total | 376.74 | 580.70 | 342.61 | 21.93 | 0.02 | 1322 | 651 | Distribution of Berwick |
| Count 4 | 141.00 | 156.00 | -324.00 | 27.00 |  |  |  | Weeks partially excluded |
| Total | 517.74 | 736.70 | 18.61 | 48.93 | 0.02 | 1322 | 637 | Marshall Elected |

