



# Tasman Council

## 2009 election report

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## Local Government Elections in Tasmania

Every two years elections are held in all 29 municipal areas 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. In 2009, 27 elections were held in September/October, with the Break O'Day and Glamorgan-Spring Bay elections being postponed while an investigation into a proposed voluntary merger between them took place. These elections were then held in November/December.

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), 2007 and 2009 with the next elections due in October 2011.

Since 2000, mayors and deputy mayors have been 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.tec.tas.gov.au](http://www.tec.tas.gov.au).

### 2009 Election timetable

|  |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Notice of election published                               | Saturday 12 September                |
| Electoral rolls closed                                     | 6 pm Thursday 17 September           |
| Nomination period  | 14 September–12 noon on 28 September |
| Nominations closed   | 12 noon Monday 28 September          |
| Nominations announced &<br>draw for ballot paper positions | 12 noon Tuesday 29 September         |
| Ballot material delivered to electors                      | 13–16 October                        |
| Polling period   | 13–27 October                        |
| Close of poll  | 10 am Tuesday 27 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 2009 Tasman Council Election

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

2448 Tasman electors were enrolled for the 2009 elections, comprising 1806 (73.77%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 642 (26.23%) from the General Manager's roll.

73.24% of Tasman electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 55.54% statewide.

### Candidates at the 2009 elections

| <b>Mayor</b>         |                | <b>Councillors</b>                    |                |
|----------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| ★ BARWICK, Jan*      | White Beach    | ★ BARWICK, Jan*                       | White Beach    |
| SELF, Roger John     | Eaglehawk Neck | EWINS, Bev                            | White Beach    |
|                      |                | ★ FENERTY, Pam                        | Eaglehawk Neck |
|                      |                | FORSTER, John Edwin                   | White Beach    |
|                      |                | HAWKES Alison                         | Premaydena     |
| <b>Deputy Mayor</b>  |                | ★ HEYWARD, Roseanne*                  | Koonya         |
| ALEXANDER, Gary      | White Beach    | HULL, Alan                            | Sloping Main   |
| ★ HEYWARD, Roseanne* | Koonya         | ★ LARNER, Roger                       | Port Arthur    |
|                      |                | PARKER, Rita Elaine                   | Nubeena        |
|                      |                | SCRIVANICH, Antonia<br>Maria Violetta | Port Arthur    |
|                      |                | SELF, Roger John*                     | Eaglehawk Neck |
|                      |                | STOKES, Cliff (Dan)                   | Nubeena        |
|                      |                | YEOLAND, Stuart Athol                 | Koonya         |

★ denotes elected candidate  
 \* denotes seeking re-election

### Tasman Councillors following the 2009 elections

| <b>Mayor</b>          | <b>9 Councillors</b>  |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>term ends 2011</i> | <i>term ends 2013</i> | <i>term ends 2011</i> |
| BARWICK, Jan          | BARWICK, Jan          | FAZACKERLEY, Joan     |
| <b>Deputy Mayor</b>   | HEYWARD, Roseanne     | SKEGGS, Glenn John    |
| <i>term ends 2011</i> | LARNER, Roger         | MOSER, Dave           |
| HEYWARD, Roseanne     | FENERTY, Pam          | ALEXANDER, Gary       |
|                       |                       | BRIGGS, Allen Lloyd   |

# Tasman Council - 2009 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 27 October 2009

Electors enrolled: 2 448

Declarations rejected: 11

Ballot paper adjustment: 5

Formal Votes: 1 761

Number to be elected: 4

Declarations returned: 1 793

Declarations admitted: 1 782

Total ballot papers: 1 777

Informal ballot papers: 16

Returning Officer: Mr Greg Richardson

Response: 73.24%

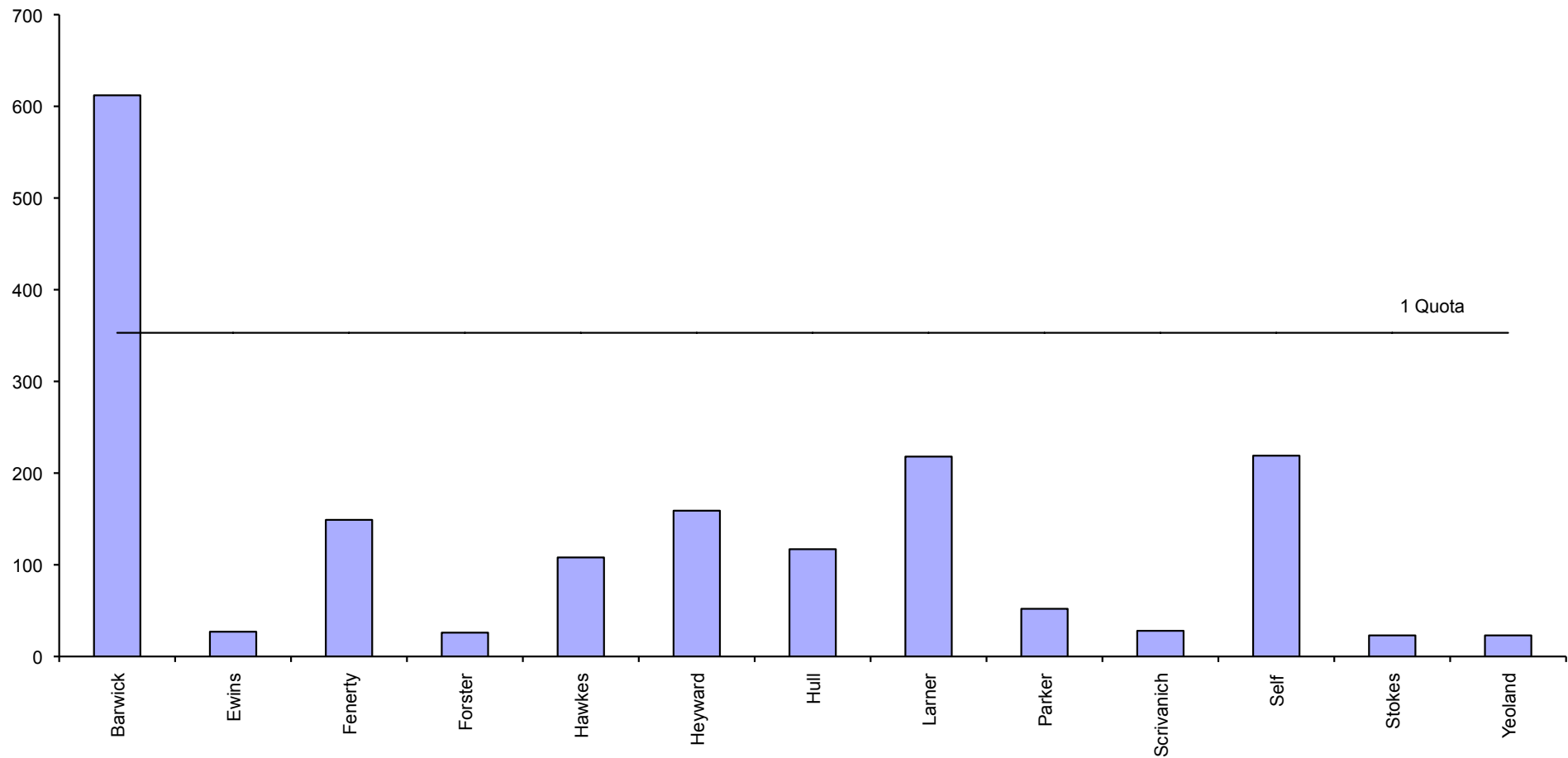
Rejection rate: 0.61%

Informality rate: 0.90%

Quota = 353

| Count    | Barwick  | Ewins   | Fenerty | Forster | Hawkes   | Heyward | Hull     | Larner  | Parker  | Scrivanich | Self   | Stokes  | Yeoland | Votes Exhausted | Loss (Gain) by Fraction | Total Votes | Remarks                       |
|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|------------|--------|---------|---------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 1        | 612.00   | 27.00   | 149.00  | 26.00   | 108.00   | 159.00  | 117.00   | 218.00  | 52.00   | 28.00      | 219.00 | 23.00   | 23.00   |                 |                         | 1 761.00    | <b>Barwick elected 1</b>      |
| 2        | - 259.00 | 2.11    | 12.69   | 3.38    | 8.04     | 188.74  | 9.31     | 10.58   | 5.07    | 3.38       | 10.15  | 3.38    | 2.11    |                 | 0.06                    | 1 761.00    | Barwick's surplus distributed |
| 3 to 4   | 353.00   | 29.11   | 161.69  | 29.38   | 116.04   | 347.74  | 126.31   | 228.58  | 57.07   | 31.38      | 229.15 | 26.38   | 25.11   |                 | 0.06                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
|          |          | 1.00    | 2.00    | 0.00    | 4.42     | 3.84    | 1.00     | 0.84    | 2.00    | 3.00       | 3.00   | 4.00    | - 25.11 |                 | 0.01                    | 1 761.00    | Yeoland excluded              |
|          | 353.00   | 30.11   | 163.69  | 29.38   | 120.46   | 351.58  | 127.31   | 229.42  | 59.07   | 34.38      | 232.15 | 30.38   | 0.00    |                 | 0.07                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 5        |          | 4.00    | 4.00    | - 26.00 | 2.00     | 6.00    | 0.00     | 4.00    | 2.00    | 0.00       | 4.00   | 0.00    |         |                 | 0.00                    | 1 761.00    | Forster part excluded         |
|          | 353.00   | 34.11   | 167.69  | 3.38    | 122.46   | 357.58  | 127.31   | 233.42  | 61.07   | 34.38      | 236.15 | 30.38   |         |                 | 0.07                    | 1 761.00    | <b>Heyward elected 2</b>      |
| 6        |          | 0.42    | 0.00    | - 3.38  | 0.84     |         | 0.42     | 0.00    | 0.84    | 0.00       | 0.42   | 0.42    |         |                 | 0.02                    | 1 761.00    | Forster excluded              |
|          | 353.00   | 34.53   | 167.69  | 0.00    | 123.30   | 357.58  | 127.73   | 233.42  | 61.91   | 34.38      | 236.57 | 30.80   |         |                 | 0.09                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 7        |          | 0.00    | 2.28    |         | 0.00     | - 4.58  | 0.00     | 0.00    | 0.76    | 0.00       | 1.52   | 0.00    |         |                 | 0.02                    | 1 761.00    | Heyward's surplus distributed |
|          | 353.00   | 34.53   | 169.97  |         | 123.30   | 353.00  | 127.73   | 233.42  | 62.67   | 34.38      | 238.09 | 30.80   |         |                 | 0.11                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 8 to 9   |          | 0.00    | 6.84    |         | 4.00     |         | 0.84     | 9.42    | 5.26    | 2.00       | 2.00   | - 30.80 |         | 0.42            | 0.02                    | 1 761.00    | Stokes excluded               |
|          | 353.00   | 34.53   | 176.81  |         | 127.30   | 353.00  | 128.57   | 242.84  | 67.93   | 36.38      | 240.09 | 0.00    |         | 0.42            | 0.13                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 10 to 11 |          | - 34.53 | 7.42    |         | 8.42     |         | 1.42     | 8.42    | 2.42    | 1.42       | 5.00   |         |         | 0.00            | 0.01                    | 1 761.00    | Ewins excluded                |
|          | 353.00   | 0.00    | 184.23  |         | 135.72   | 353.00  | 129.99   | 251.26  | 70.35   | 37.80      | 245.09 |         |         | 0.42            | 0.14                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 12 to 13 |          |         | 3.84    |         | 5.84     |         | 4.42     | 10.42   | 9.00    | - 37.80    | 4.26   |         |         | 0.00            | 0.02                    | 1 761.00    | Scrivanich excluded           |
|          | 353.00   |         | 188.07  |         | 141.56   | 353.00  | 134.41   | 261.68  | 79.35   | 0.00       | 249.35 |         |         | 0.42            | 0.16                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 14 to 16 |          |         | 16.26   |         | 14.26    |         | 18.87    | 20.84   | - 79.35 |            | 6.69   |         |         | 2.42            | 0.01                    | 1 761.00    | Parker excluded               |
|          | 353.00   |         | 204.33  |         | 155.82   | 353.00  | 153.28   | 282.52  | 0.00    |            | 256.04 |         |         | 2.84            | 0.17                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 17 to 19 |          |         | 30.26   |         | 26.07    |         | - 153.28 | 49.23   |         |            | 34.84  |         |         | 12.87           | 0.01                    | 1 761.00    | Hull excluded                 |
|          | 353.00   |         | 234.59  |         | 181.89   | 353.00  | 0.00     | 331.75  |         |            | 290.88 |         |         | 15.71           | 0.18                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 20       |          |         | 81.00   |         | - 165.00 |         |          | 36.00   |         |            | 27.00  |         |         | 21.00           | 0.00                    | 1 761.00    | Hawkes part excluded          |
|          | 353.00   |         | 315.59  |         | 16.89    | 353.00  |          | 367.75  |         |            | 317.88 |         |         | 36.71           | 0.18                    | 1 761.00    | <b>Larner elected 3</b>       |
| 21       |          |         | 10.15   |         | - 16.89  |         |          |         |         |            | 3.80   |         |         | 2.96            | - 0.02                  | 1 761.00    | Hawkes excluded               |
|          | 353.00   |         | 325.74  |         | 0.00     | 353.00  |          | 367.75  |         |            | 321.68 |         |         | 39.67           | 0.16                    | 1 761.00    |                               |
| 22       |          |         | 7.37    |         |          |         |          | - 14.75 |         |            | 6.14   |         |         | 1.22            | 0.02                    | 1 761.00    | Larner's surplus distributed  |
|          | 353.00   |         | 333.11  |         |          | 353.00  |          | 353.00  |         |            | 327.82 |         |         | 40.89           | 0.18                    | 1 761.00    | <b>Fenerty elected 4</b>      |

### 2009 Tasman Councillor election - first preferences



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Polling closed at 10am 27 October 2009

Returning Officer: Mr Greg Richardson

## Mayor

Declarations admitted: 1782

Formal Votes: 1736

Ballot paper adjustment: 4

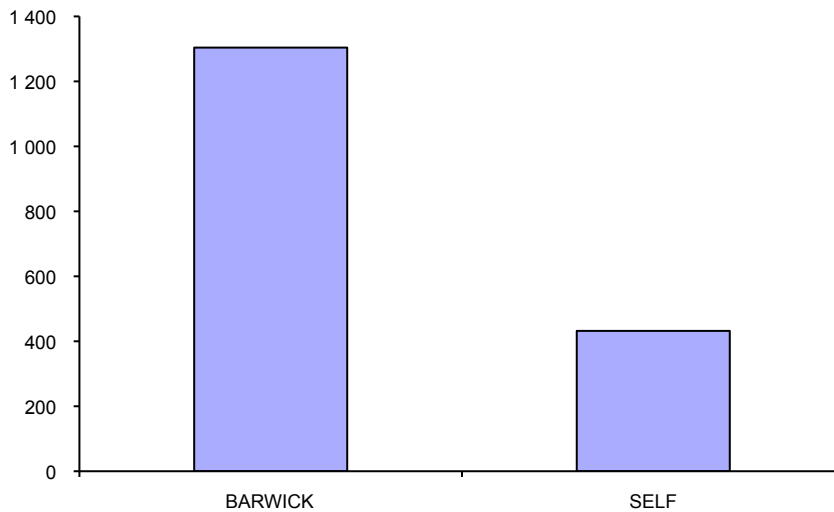
Informal ballot papers: 42

Total ballot papers: 1778

Informality rate: 2.36%

|         |                   | Candidates |      | Total<br>Votes | Absolute<br>Majority | Remarks                |
|---------|-------------------|------------|------|----------------|----------------------|------------------------|
|         |                   | BARWICK    | SELF |                |                      |                        |
| Count 1 | First Preferences | 1 304      | 432  | 1 736          | 869                  | <b>BARWICK elected</b> |

2009 Tasman Mayor election - first preferences



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Polling closed at 10am 27 October 2009

Returning Officer: Mr Greg Richardson

## Deputy Mayor

Declarations admitted: 1782

Ballot paper adjustment: 4

Total ballot papers: 1778

Formal Votes: 1738

Informal ballot papers: 40

Informality rate: 2.25%

|         |                   | Candidates |         | Total<br>Votes | Absolute<br>Majority | Remarks                |
|---------|-------------------|------------|---------|----------------|----------------------|------------------------|
|         |                   | ALEXANDER  | HEYWARD |                |                      |                        |
| Count 1 | First Preferences | 438        | 1 300   | 1 738          | 870                  | <b>HEYWARD elected</b> |

2009 Tasman Deputy Mayor election - first preferences

