Circular Head Council

2011 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 councillors. 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 approximately biennially since 1994, with the next elections due in October 2013.

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.

2011 Election timetable

Notice of election published	Saturday 10 September
Electoral rolls closed	6 pm Thursday 15 September
Nomination period	12 September–12 noon on 26 September
Nominations closed	12 noon Monday 26 September
Nominations announced & draw for ballot paper positions	12 noon Tuesday 27 September
Ballot material delivered to electors	11–14 October
Polling period	11–25 October
Close of poll	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.

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Report on the 2011 Circular Head Council Election

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2 year terms, and 5 Councillors for 4 year terms.

5520 Circular Head electors were enrolled for the 2011 elections, comprising 5388 (97.61%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 132 (2.39%) from the General Manager's roll.

64.78% of Circular Head electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 54.28% statewide.

Candidates at the 2011 elections

Mayor

★ QUILLIAM, Daryl H* Smithton

Deputy Mayor

★ OLDAKER, John Henry Togari
SPINKS, Trevor Robert* Smithton
WELLS, Graham Stanley

★ denotes elected candidate

* denotes seeking re-election

Councillors

★ BISHOP, Jan Elizabeth Irishtown
GREY, Heather* Marrawah
HOUSE, David Ian Smithton
JACOBS, John Lawrence Stanley
★ KAY, Betty Scotchtown
McDONALD, Bruce Irishtown
MAGUIRE, Tony Hellyer
★ OLDAKER, John Henry* Togari
★ POPOWSKI, Ashley Smithton
SMITH, Timothy (Tim) James Smithton
★ SPINKS, Trevor Robert* Smithton
TRIFFITT, Jeff Irishtown
WELLS, Graham* Stanley
WOODWARD, Heather Elizabeth Smithton

Circular Head Councillors following the 2011 elections

Mayor
term ends 2013
QUILLIAM, Daryl H

Deputy Mayor
term ends 2013
OLDAKER, John Henry

9 Councillors

term ends 2015
OLDAKER, John Henry
SPINKS, Trevor Robert
BISHOP, Jan Elizabeth
POPOWSKI, Ashley
KAY, Betty

term ends 2013
QUILLIAM, Daryl H
MURRELL, Jeanie
WOODWARD, David John
HARDY, Rodney T (Rod)

Circular Head Council - 2011 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Number to be elected: 5

Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Electors enrolled: 5 520

Declarations returned: 3 576

Response: 64.78%

Declarations rejected: 33

Declarations admitted: 3 543

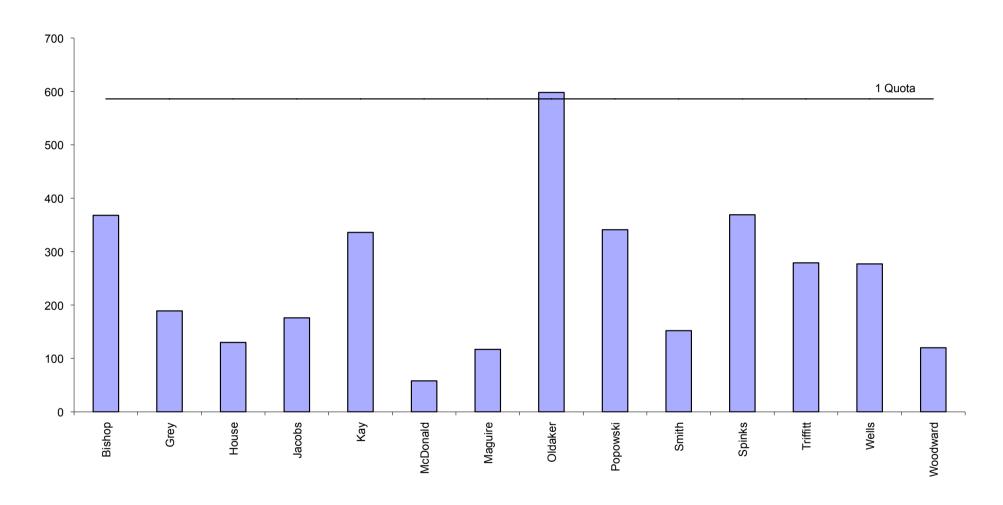Rejection rate: 0.92%

Ballot paper adjustment: 0

Total ballot papers: 3 543

Formal Votes: 3 510

Informal ballot papers: 33

Informality rate: 0.93%

Quota = 586

Count	Bishop	Grey	House	Jacobs	Kay	McDonald	Maguire	Oldaker	Popowski	Smith	Spinks	Triffitt	Wells	Woodward	Votes Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
1	368.00	189.00	130.00	176.00	336.00	58.00	117.00	598.00	341.00	152.00	369.00	279.00	277.00	120.00			3510.00	**Oldaker elected 1**
2	1.48	1.94	0.60	0.56	1.34	0.10	0.88	- 12.00	1.22	0.28	1.48	0.74	1.00	0.34		0.04		Oldaker's surplus distributed
	369.48	190.94	130.60	176.56	337.34	58.10	117.88	586.00	342.22	152.28	370.48	279.74	278.00	120.34		0.04	3510.00	
3 to 4	5.02	5.00	3.00	4.02	3.02	- 58.10	2.00		10.00	2.02	5.00	7.00	4.00	8.02		0.00		McDonald excluded
	374.50	195.94	133.60	180.58	340.36	0.00	119.88	586.00	352.22	154.30	375.48	286.74	282.00	128.36		0.04	3510.00	
5 to 6	9.16	8.02	15.12	5.04	14.08		- 119.88		10.10	1.04	17.12	17.10	5.04	18.06		0.00		Maguire excluded
	383.66	203.96	148.72	185.62	354.44		0.00	586.00	362.32	155.34	392.60	303.84	287.04	146.42		0.04	3510.00	
7 to 8	18.06	13.08	14.02	8.08	22.00				19.06	8.02	29.04	10.06	5.00	- 146.42		0.00		Woodward excluded
	401.72	217.04	162.74	193.70	376.44			586.00	381.38	163.36	421.64	313.90	292.04	0.00		0.04	3510.00	
9 to 10	23.02	12.12	- 162.74	8.10	25.16				16.10	15.06	26.02	26.10	9.06		2.00	0.00		House excluded
	424.74	229.16	0.00	201.80	401.60			586.00	397.48	178.42	447.66	340.00	301.10		2.00	0.04	3510.00	
11 to 12	31.02	12.04		3.00	21.10				16.10	- 178.42	55.14	26.02	14.00		0.00	0.00		Smith excluded
	455.76	241.20		204.80	422.70			586.00	413.58	0.00	502.80	366.02	315.10		2.00	0.04	3510.00	
13 to 14	21.04	16.14		- 204.80	31.10				30.08		22.08	37.08	46.28		1.00	0.00		Jacobs excluded
	476.80	257.34		0.00	453.80			586.00	443.66		524.88	403.10	361.38		3.00	0.04	3510.00	
15 to 16	54.44	- 257.34			33.68				51.30		51.46	43.26	20.18		3.02	0.00		Grey excluded
	531.24	0.00			487.48			586.00	494.96		576.34	446.36	381.56		6.02	0.04	3510.00	
17	46.00				51.00				69.00		153.00	56.00	- 380.00		5.00	0.00		Wells part excluded
	577.24				538.48			586.00	563.96		729.34	502.36	1.56		11.02	0.04	3510.00	**Spinks elected 2**
18	0.28				0.54				0.50			0.18	- 1.56		0.06	0.00		Wells excluded
	577.52				539.02			586.00	564.46		729.34	502.54	0.00		11.08	0.04	3510.00	
19	29.97				30.91				36.53		- 143.34	34.66			11.24	0.03		Spinks' surplus distributed
	607.49				569.93			586.00	600.99		586.00	537.20			22.32	0.07	3510.00	**Bishop elected 3, Popowski elected 4**
20	- 21.49				6.04						9.40				6.04	0.01		Bishop's surplus distributed
	586.00				575.97			586.00	600.99		586.00	546.60			28.36	0.08	3510.00	
21					3.84				- 14.99			9.60			1.53	0.02		Popowski's surplus distributed
	586.00				579.81			586.00	586.00		586.00	556.20			29.89	0.10	3510.00	**Kay elected 5**

2011 Circular Head Councillor election - first preferences

Circular Head Council

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Mayor — Daryl H Quilliam (elected unopposed)

Deputy Mayor	Declarations admitted: 3 543				Formal Votes: 3 500		
	Ballot paper adjustment: 0				Informal ballot papers: 43		
	Total ballot papers: 3 543				Informality rate: 1.21%		

		Candidates			Exhausted	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		OLDAKER	SPINKS	WELLS				
Count 1	Progress Total	1 510	1 316	674	0	3 500	1 751	First preferences
	Votes transferred	243	369	- 674	62			Wells excluded
Count 2	Progress Total	1 753	1 685	0	62	3 500	1 720	**Oldaker elected**

2011 Circular Head Deputy Mayor election - first preferences