



Huon Valley 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.

Report on the 2011 Huon Valley Council Election

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

11 197 Huon Valley electors were enrolled for the 2011 elections, comprising 10 769 (96.18%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 428 (3.82%) from the General Manager's roll.

63.18% of Huon Valley electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 54.28% statewide.

Candidates at the 2011 elections

Mayor		Councillors	
★ ARMSTRONG, Robert*	Cygnet	★ ARMSTRONG, Robert*	Cygnet
SMITH, Liz	Cygnet	BARBER, Ben	Lucaston
WILSON, Mike	Castle Forbes Bay	★ DOYLE, Gary Edward*	Dover
		FOLEY, Michael	Huon Island
		HOWIE, Miranda	Petcheys Bay
Deputy Mayor		PAUL, Ian*	Judbury
★ DOYLE, Gary Edward	Dover	★ PEPPER, Peter John	Port Huon
HERON, Bruce*	Grove	ROBERTSON, Amy	Port Huon
WOODRUFF, Rosalie	Lymington	★ SMITH, Liz*	Cygnet
		WILSON, Chris	Abels Bay

★ denotes elected candidate
* denotes seeking re-election

Huon Valley Councillors following the 2011 elections

Mayor	9 Councillors	
<i>term ends 2013</i>	<i>term ends 2015</i>	<i>term ends 2013</i>
ARMSTRONG, Robert	ARMSTRONG, Robert	WOODRUFF, Rosalie
	SMITH, Liz	HERON, Bruce
Deputy Mayor	DOYLE, Gary Edward	WILSON, Mike
<i>term ends 2013</i>	PEPPER, Peter John	DUGGAN, Tony
DOYLE, Gary Edward		GUDDEN, Rohan

Huon Valley Council - 2011 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Electors enrolled: 11 197

Declarations rejected: 55

Ballot paper adjustment: 12

Formal Votes: 6 902

Number to be elected: 4

Declarations returned: 7 074

Declarations admitted: 7 019

Total ballot papers: 7 007

Informal ballot papers: 105

Returning Officer: Ms Maree Ward

Response: 63.18%

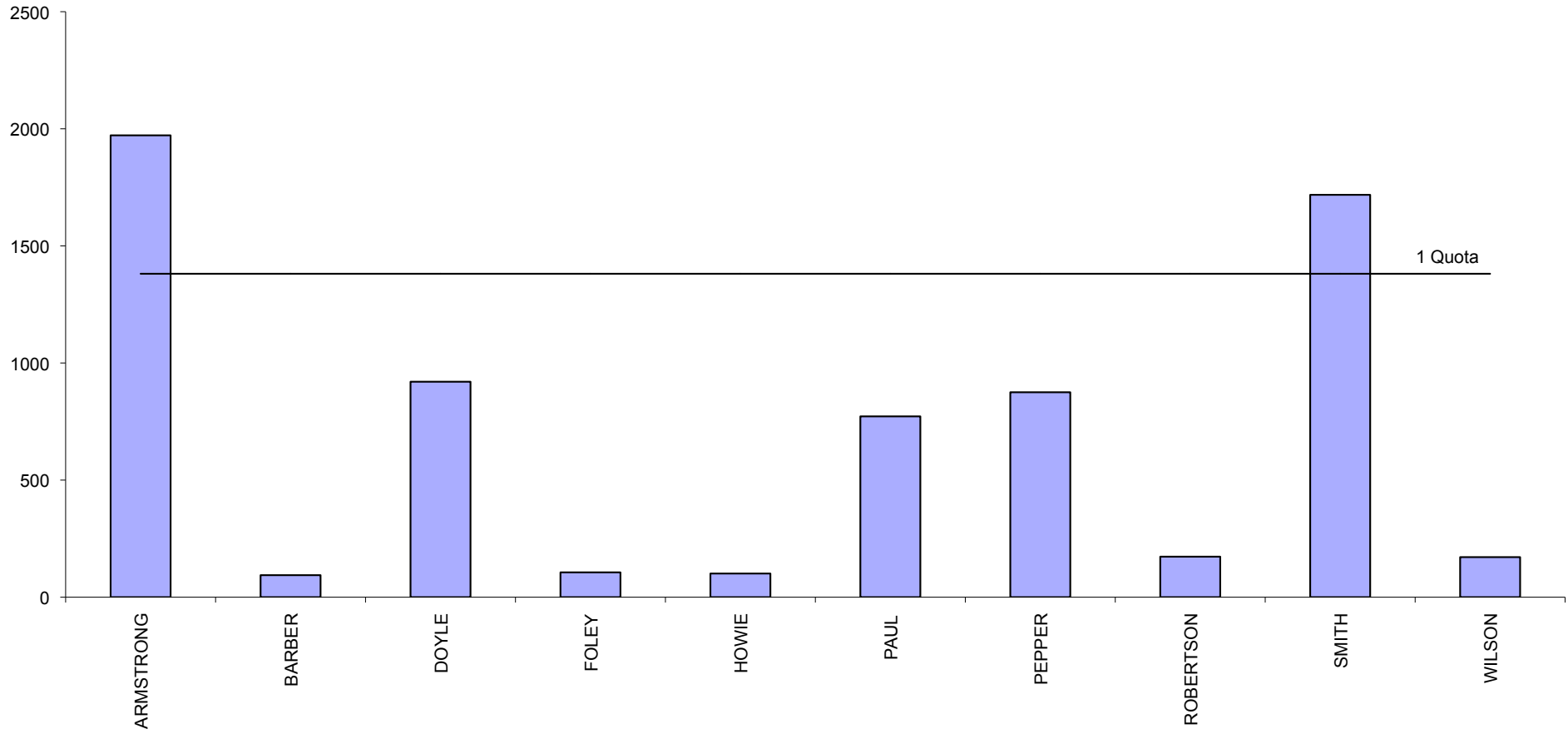
Rejection rate: 0.78%

Informality rate: 1.50%

Quota = 1 381

Count	ARMSTRONG	BARBER	DOYLE	FOLEY	HOWIE	PAUL	PEPPER	ROBERTSON	SMITH	WILSON	Votes Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
1	1972.00	94.00	920.00	106.00	101.00	772.00	875.00	173.00	1718.00	171.00			6902.00	ARMSTRONG elected 1, SMITH elected 2
2	- 591.00	11.08	249.04	13.18	8.09	156.44	100.99	26.67		25.47		0.04	6902.00	ARMSTRONG's surplus distributed
	1381.00	105.08	1169.04	119.18	109.09	928.44	975.99	199.67	1718.00	196.47		0.04	6902.00	
3		34.32	21.18	74.14	80.22	15.88	10.78	32.16	- 337.00	68.26		0.06	6902.00	SMITH's surplus distributed
	1381.00	139.40	1190.22	193.32	189.31	944.32	986.77	231.83	1381.00	264.73		0.10	6902.00	
4 to 6		- 139.40	15.97	24.99	35.27	8.95	12.07	15.95		26.12		0.08	6902.00	BARBER excluded
	1381.00	0.00	1206.19	218.31	224.58	953.27	998.84	247.78	1381.00	290.85		0.18	6902.00	
7 to 9			15.32	- 218.31	67.18	18.73	13.89	28.17		72.97	1.98	0.07	6902.00	FOLEY excluded
	1381.00		1221.51	0.00	291.76	972.00	1012.73	275.95	1381.00	363.82	1.98	0.25	6902.00	
10 to 12			66.31		56.24	54.82	53.50	- 275.95		41.68	3.37	0.03	6902.00	ROBERTSON excluded
	1381.00		1287.82		348.00	1026.82	1066.23	0.00	1381.00	405.50	5.35	0.28	6902.00	
13 to 15			36.65		- 348.00	48.57	46.19			184.04	32.54	0.01	6902.00	HOWIE excluded
	1381.00		1324.47		0.00	1075.39	1112.42		1381.00	589.54	37.89	0.29	6902.00	
16			78.00			97.00	106.00			- 341.00	60.00	0.00	6902.00	WILSON part excluded
	1381.00		1402.47			1172.39	1218.42		1381.00	248.54	97.89	0.29	6902.00	DOYLE elected 3
17 to 18						72.99	97.13			- 248.54	78.45	(0.03)	6902.00	WILSON excluded
	1381.00		1402.47			1245.38	1315.55		1381.00	0.00	176.34	0.26	6902.00	
19			- 21.47			8.25	12.11				1.10	0.01	6902.00	DOYLE's surplus distributed
	1381.00		1381.00			1253.63	1327.66		1381.00		177.44	0.27	6902.00	PEPPER elected 4

2011 Huon Valley Councillor election - first preferences



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Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Returning Officer: Ms Maree Ward

Mayor

Declarations admitted: 7 019

Ballot paper adjustment: 12

Total ballot papers: 7 007

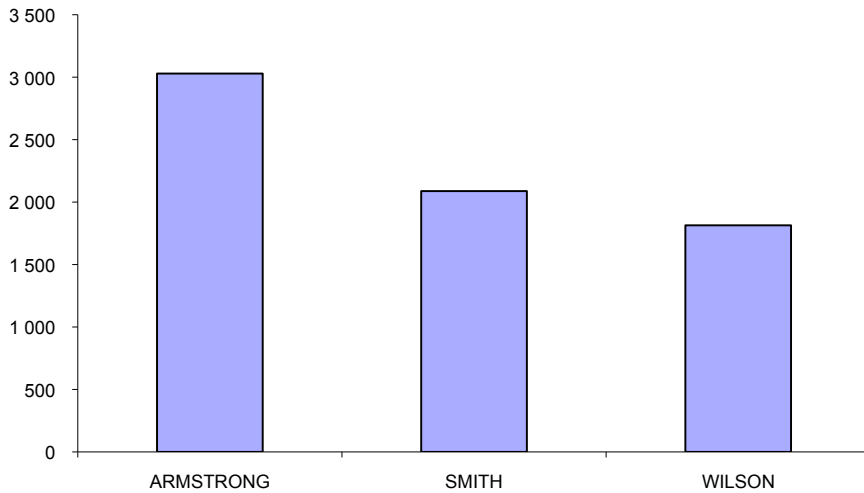
Formal Votes: 6 931

Informal ballot papers: 76

Informality rate: 1.08%

		Candidates				Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		ARMSTRONG	SMITH	WILSON	Exhausted			
Count 1	Progress Total	3 029	2 088	1 814	0	6 931	3 466	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	1 150	375	-1 814	289			Wilson excluded
	Progress Total	4 179	2 463	0	289	6 931	3 322	Armstrong elected

2011 Huon Valley Mayor election - first preferences



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Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Returning Officer: Ms Maree Ward

Deputy Mayor

Declarations admitted: 7 019

Ballot paper adjustment: 12

Total ballot papers: 7 007

Formal Votes: 6 892

Informal ballot papers: 115

Informality rate: 1.64%

		Candidates			Exhausted	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		DOYLE	HERON	WOODRUFF				
Count 1	Progress Total	2 596	2 226	2 070	0	6 892	3 447	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	653	934	-2 070	483			Woodruff excluded
	Progress Total	3 249	3 160	0	483	6 892	3 205	Doyle elected

2011 Huon Valley Deputy Mayor election - first preferences

