## KENTISH <br> Kentish 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
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.

## Report on the 2011 Kentish Council Election

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

4445 Kentish electors were enrolled for the 2011 elections, comprising 4325 ( $97.30 \%$ ) from the State House of Assembly roll and $120(2.70 \%)$ from the General Manager's roll.
$54.22 \%$ of Kentish electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with $54.28 \%$ statewide.

## Recounts

A recount was conducted on 2 March 2010, to fill a vacancy for Councillor on the Kentish Council following the resignation of Andrew Keddie on 15 February 2010. Ten unelected candidates from the 2007 Kentish Council election contested the recount. Full details are provided at the back of this report.

Candidates at the 2011 elections

| Mayor |  |  | Councillors |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * THWAITES, Don* | Paradise | * | CAMPBELL, Peter Leigh* | Sunnyside |
|  |  | * | CLARKE, Cait | Railton |
| Deputy Mayor |  |  | DICKINSON, Phil | Sheffield |
| WILLOCK, Annie | Lorinna |  | JACKSON, Geoff | Nook |
| * WILSON, Tim* | Sheffield | * | LANE, Penny* | Barrington |
|  |  |  | MADDICK, Newton | Nook |
|  |  | * | THWAITES, Don* | Paradise |
| $\star$ denotes elected candidate |  | * | WILLOCK, Annie* | Lorinna |
| * denotes seeking re-election |  |  | WILSON, Wayne | Frankford |

## Kentish Councillors following the 2011 elections

## Mayor

term ends 2013
THWAITES, Don
Deputy Mayor
term ends 2013
WILSON, Tim

## 9 Councillors

term ends 2015
THWAITES, Don
LANE, Penny
CAMPBELL, Peter Leigh
WILLOCK, Annie WISSE, Bart
term ends 2013
DEVERELL, John
ROBINSON, Bob
WILSON, Tim

CLARKE, Cait

## Kentish Council-2011 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011
Number to be elected: 5
Returning Officer: Mr Peter Weldon

Electors enrolled: 4445
Declarations returned: 2410
Response: 54.22\%

Declarations rejected: 25
Declarations admitted: 2385
Rejection rate: 1.04\%

Ballot paper adjustment: 5
Total ballot papers: 2380

Formal Votes: 2318
Informal ballot papers: 62 Informality rate: 2.61\%

Quota $=387$

| Count | CAMPBELL | CLARKE | DICKINSON | JACKSON | LANE | MADDICK | THWAITES | WILLOCK | WILSON | Votes Exhausted | Loss (Gain) by Fraction | Total Votes | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 290.00 | 146.00 | 102.00 | 61.00 | 461.00 | 90.00 | 854.00 | 233.00 | 81.00 |  |  | 2318.00 | THWAITES elected 1, LANE elected 2 |
| 2 | 149.28 | 60.15 | 34.99 | 38.82 |  | 45.93 | - 467.00 | 92.96 | 44.84 |  | 0.03 |  | THWAITES' surplus distributed |
|  | 439.28 | 206.15 | 136.99 | 99.82 | 461.00 | 135.93 | 387.00 | 325.96 | 125.84 |  | 0.03 | 2318.00 | CAMPBELL elected 3 |
| 3 |  | 15.57 | 7.54 | 7.86 | - 74.00 | 14.44 |  | 20.54 | 8.02 |  | 0.03 |  | LANE's surplus distributed |
|  | 439.28 | 221.72 | 144.53 | 107.68 | 387.00 | 150.37 | 387.00 | 346.50 | 133.86 |  | 0.06 | 2318.00 |  |
| 4 | - 52.28 | 9.57 | 3.63 | 8.61 |  | 14.55 |  | 7.85 | 8.04 |  | 0.03 |  | CAMPBELL's surplus distributed |
|  | 387.00 | 231.29 | 148.16 | 116.29 | 387.00 | 164.92 | 387.00 | 354.35 | 141.90 |  | 0.09 | 2318.00 |  |
| 5 to 8 |  | 23.15 | 23.26 | -116.29 |  | 29.96 |  | 10.73 | 29.14 |  | 0.05 |  | JACKSON excluded |
|  | 387.00 | 254.44 | 171.42 | 0.00 | 387.00 | 194.88 | 387.00 | 365.08 | 171.04 |  | 0.14 | 2318.00 |  |
| 9 |  | 23.00 | 30.00 |  |  | 18.00 |  | 25.00 | - 99.00 | 3.00 | 0.00 |  | WILSON part excluded |
|  | 387.00 | 277.44 | 201.42 |  | 387.00 | 212.88 | 387.00 | 390.08 | 72.04 | 3.00 | 0.14 | 2318.00 | WILLOCK elected 4 |
| 10 to 12 |  | 21.57 | 25.20 |  |  | 23.08 |  |  | - 72.04 | 2.15 | 0.04 |  | WILSON excluded |
|  | 387.00 | 299.01 | 226.62 |  | 387.00 | 235.96 | 387.00 | 390.08 | 0.00 | 5.15 | 0.18 | 2318.00 |  |
| 13 |  | 0.98 | 0.98 |  |  | 1.10 |  | - 3.08 |  | 0.00 | 0.02 |  | WILLOCK's surplus distributed |
|  | 387.00 | 299.99 | 227.60 |  | 387.00 | 237.06 | 387.00 | 387.00 |  | 5.15 | 0.20 | 2318.00 |  |
| 14 to 15 |  | 107.24 | - 204.77 |  |  | 86.62 |  |  |  | 10.92 | (0.01) |  | DICKINSON part excluded |
|  | 387.00 | 407.23 | 22.83 |  | 387.00 | 323.68 | 387.00 | 387.00 |  | 16.07 | 0.19 | 2318.00 | CLARKE elected 5 |

2011 Kentish Councillor election - first preferences


## Kentish Council

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011
Returning Officer: Mr Peter Weldon
Mayor — Don Thwaites (elected unopposed)

| Deputy Mayor | Declarations admitted: 2385 | Formal Votes: 2284 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Ballot paper adjustment: 5 |  | Informal ballot papers: 96 |
|  | Total ballot papers: 2380 |  | Informality rate: $4.03 \%$ |

2011 Kentish Deputy Mayor election - first preferences


## Kentish Council Recount

## Recount due to resignation of Andrew Keddie

|  |  | 2 March 2010 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ExhaustedVotes | Lost by fraction | Total Votes | Absolute majority | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | BAKOWSKI Mark | BROWN Gordon | HARCOURTWHITE <br> Robert William | Hibble Dave | HILL Andrew | INDER Brian Ernest | TAYLOR Mike | VINNICOMBE Martin | WHITBREAD Waine | WILSON Wayne |  |  |  |  |  |
| Count 1 | Total | 13.72 | 29.49 | 22.63 | 17.83 | 40.47 | 64.48 | 18.52 | 33.61 | 31.55 | 15.77 | 6.86 | 0.07 | 295.00 | 144.04 | Distribution of KEDDIE, BAKOWSKI excluded |
| Count 2 | Votes transferred | - 13.72 | 2.05 | 0.68 | 0.68 | 1.37 | 0.00 | 3.43 | 2.05 | 3.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.03 |  |  |  |
|  | Progress total | 0.00 | 31.54 | 23.31 | 18.51 | 41.84 | 64.48 | 21.95 | 35.66 | 34.98 | 15.77 | 6.86 | 0.10 | 295.00 | 144.03 | WILSON excluded |
| Count 3 | Votes transferred |  | 1.37 | 0.00 | 2.74 | 3.43 | 3.43 | 1.37 | 2.05 | 0.00 | - 15.77 | 1.37 | 0.01 |  |  |  |
|  | Progress total |  | 32.91 | 23.31 | 21.25 | 45.27 | 67.91 | 23.32 | 37.71 | 34.98 | 0.00 | 8.23 | 0.11 | 295.00 | 143.34 | HIBBLE excluded |
| Count 4 | Votes transferred |  | 0.68 | 0.68 | -21.25 | 2.74 | 4.80 | 2.74 | 2.74 | 5.48 |  | 1.37 | 0.02 |  |  |  |
|  | Progress total |  | 33.59 | 23.99 | 0.00 | 48.01 | 72.71 | 26.06 | 40.45 | 40.46 |  | 9.60 | 0.13 | 295.00 | 142.64 | HARCOURT-WHITE excluded |
| Count 5 | Votes transferred |  | 0.68 | -23.99 |  | 2.74 | 4.11 | 3.43 | 4.80 | 5.48 |  | 2.74 | 0.01 |  |  |  |
|  | Progress total |  | 34.27 | 0.00 |  | 50.75 | 76.82 | 29.49 | 45.25 | 45.94 |  | 12.34 | 0.14 | 295.00 | 141.27 | TAYLOR excluded |
| Count 6 | Votes transferred |  | 2.74 |  |  | 8.23 | 3.43 | -29.49 | 7.54 | 3.43 |  | 4.11 | 0.01 |  |  |  |
|  | Progress total |  | 37.01 |  |  | 58.98 | 80.25 | 0.00 | 52.79 | 49.37 |  | 16.45 | 0.15 | 295.00 | 139.21 | BROWN excluded |
| Count 7 | Votes transferred |  | -37.01 |  |  | 6.86 | 12.34 |  | 8.23 | 4.11 |  | 5.48 | (0.01) |  |  |  |
|  | Progress total |  | 0.00 |  |  | 65.84 | 92.59 |  | 61.02 | 53.48 |  | 21.93 | 0.14 | 295.00 | 136.47 | WHITBREAD excluded |
| Count 8 | Votes transferred |  |  |  |  | 13.03 | 13.72 |  | 10.97 | - 53.48 |  | 15.77 | (0.01) |  |  |  |
|  | Progress total |  |  |  |  | 78.87 | 106.31 |  | 71.99 | 0.00 |  | 37.70 | 0.13 | 295.00 | 128.59 | VINNICOMBE excluded |
| Count 9 | Votes transferred |  |  |  |  | 29.49 | 26.75 |  | - 71.99 |  |  | 15.77 | (0.02) |  |  |  |
|  | Progress total |  |  |  |  | 108.36 | 133.06 |  | 0.00 |  |  | 53.47 | 0.11 | 295.00 | 120.72 | INDER elected |

