



Central Coast 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 Central Coast Council Election

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

16 177 Central Coast electors were enrolled for the 2011 elections, comprising 16 116 (99.62%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 61 (0.38%) from the General Manager's roll.

53.81% of Central Coast electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 54.28% statewide.

By-elections

A by-election was held between the 2009 and 2011 elections following the death of Mayor, Councillor Mike Downie on 23 September 2010. The ballot closed at 10am Tuesday 16 November 2010. One candidate nominated for the mayoral position and six candidates contested the councillor by-election. Full details are provided at the back of this report.

Candidates at the 2011 elections

Mayor		Councillors	
★ BONDE, Jan*	North Motton	★ BLOOMFIELD, John Richard	Ulverstone
		★ BONDE, Lionel*	Turners Beach
		★ BROAD, Shane	Gawler
Deputy Mayor		DEACON, John*	Leith
★ FULLER, Cheryl	Penguin	★ DOWNIE, Kath	Riana
van ROOYEN, Tony	Ulverstone	★ FULLER, Cheryl*	Penguin
VINEY, Philip	Ulverstone	HORNE, Eunice	Ulverstone
		★ TONGS, Rowen	West Ulverstone
		van ROOYEN, Andrew	Ulverstone
		WALSH, Michael	Ulverstone

★ denotes elected candidate
* denotes seeking re-election

Central Coast Councillors following the 2011 elections

Mayor	12 Councillors	
<i>term ends 2013</i>	<i>term ends 2015</i>	<i>term ends 2013</i>
BONDE, Jan	FULLER, Cheryl	BONDE, Jan
Deputy Mayor	DOWNIE, Kath	van ROOYEN, Tony
<i>term ends 2013</i>	TONGS, Rowen	DIPROSE, Amanda
FULLER, Cheryl	BROAD, Shane	HOWARD, Gerry
	BLOOMFIELD, John Richard	VINEY, Philip
	BONDE, Lionel	CARPENTER, Garry

Central Coast Council - 2011 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Number to be elected: 6

Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Electors enrolled: 16 177

Declarations returned: 8 705

Response: 53.81%

Declarations rejected: 140

Declarations admitted: 8 565

Rejection rate: 1.61%

Ballot paper adjustment: 8

Total ballot papers: 8 557

Formal Votes: 8 355

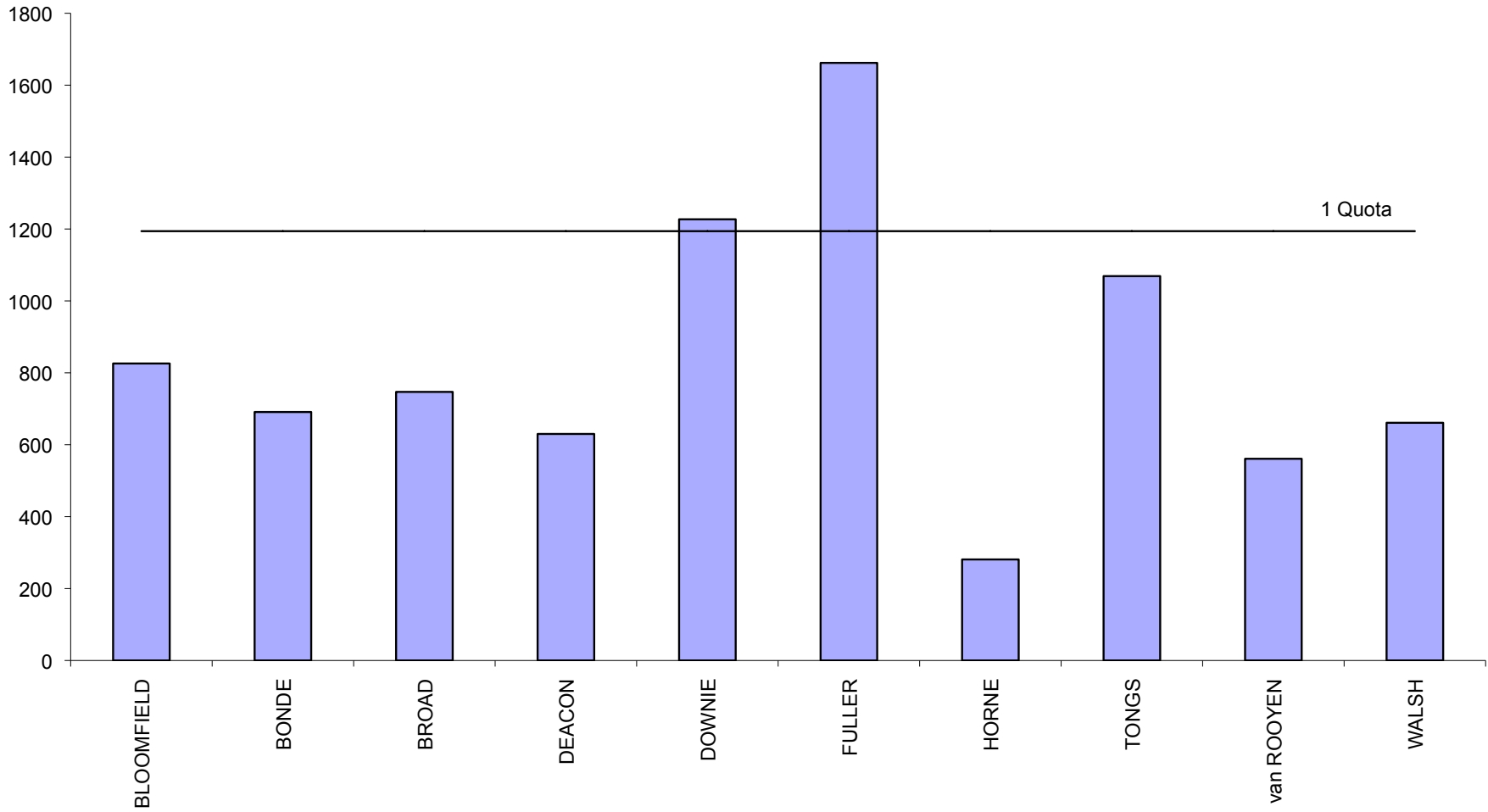
Informal ballot papers: 202

Informality rate: 2.36%

Quota = 1194

Count	BLOOMFIELD	BONDE	BROAD	DEACON	DOWNIE	FULLER	HORNE	TONGS	van ROOYEN	WALSH	Votes Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
1	826.00	691.00	747.00	630.00	1227.00	1662.00	281.00	1069.00	561.00	661.00			8355.00	FULLER elected 1, DOWNIE elected 2
2	48.71	56.88	77.99	68.70		- 468.00	49.27	68.70	59.13	38.57		0.05		FULLER's surplus distributed
	874.71	747.88	824.99	698.70	1227.00	1194.00	330.27	1137.70	620.13	699.57		0.05	8355.00	
3	3.81	4.97	3.98	4.14	- 33.00		3.65	4.59	4.54	3.28		0.04		DOWNIE's surplus distributed
	878.52	752.85	828.97	702.84	1194.00	1194.00	333.92	1142.29	624.67	702.85		0.09	8355.00	
4 to 6	28.49	38.31	95.82	44.70			- 333.92	48.70	36.31	41.53		0.06		HORNE excluded
	907.01	791.16	924.79	747.54	1194.00	1194.00	0.00	1190.99	660.98	744.38		0.15	8355.00	
7	83.00	90.00	130.00	75.00				126.00	- 589.00	85.00		0.00		van ROOYEN part excluded
	990.01	881.16	1054.79	822.54	1194.00	1194.00		1316.99	71.98	829.38		0.15	8355.00	TONGS elected 3
8 to 9	11.29	16.07	21.09	13.99					- 71.98	9.49		0.05		van ROOYEN excluded
	1001.30	897.23	1075.88	836.53	1194.00	1194.00		1316.99	0.00	838.87		0.20	8355.00	
10	11.71	30.25	34.16	27.33				- 122.99		19.52		0.02		TONGS' surplus distributed
	1013.01	927.48	1110.04	863.86	1194.00	1194.00		1194.00		858.39		0.22	8355.00	
11	242.00	171.00	168.00	200.00						- 781.00		0.00		WALSH part excluded
	1255.01	1098.48	1278.04	1063.86	1194.00	1194.00		1194.00		77.39		0.22	8355.00	BROAD elected 4, BLOOMFIELD elected 5
12 to 14		36.28		38.16						- 77.39	2.96	(0.01)		WALSH excluded
	1255.01	1134.76	1278.04	1102.02	1194.00	1194.00		1194.00		0.00	2.96	0.21	8355.00	
15		38.01	- 84.04	42.52							3.50	0.01		BROAD's surplus distributed
	1255.01	1172.77	1194.00	1144.54	1194.00	1194.00		1194.00			6.46	0.22	8355.00	
16	- 61.01	30.00		29.49							1.51	0.01		BLOOMFIELD's surplus distributed
	1194.00	1202.77	1194.00	1174.03	1194.00	1194.00		1194.00			7.97	0.23	8355.00	BONDE elected 6

2011 Central Coast Councillor election - first preferences



Central Coast Council

Polling closed at 10am 25 October 2011

Returning Officer: Mr Andy Brockbank

Mayor — Jan Bonde (elected unopposed)

Deputy Mayor

Declarations admitted: 8 565

Formal Votes: 8 372

Ballot paper adjustment: 7

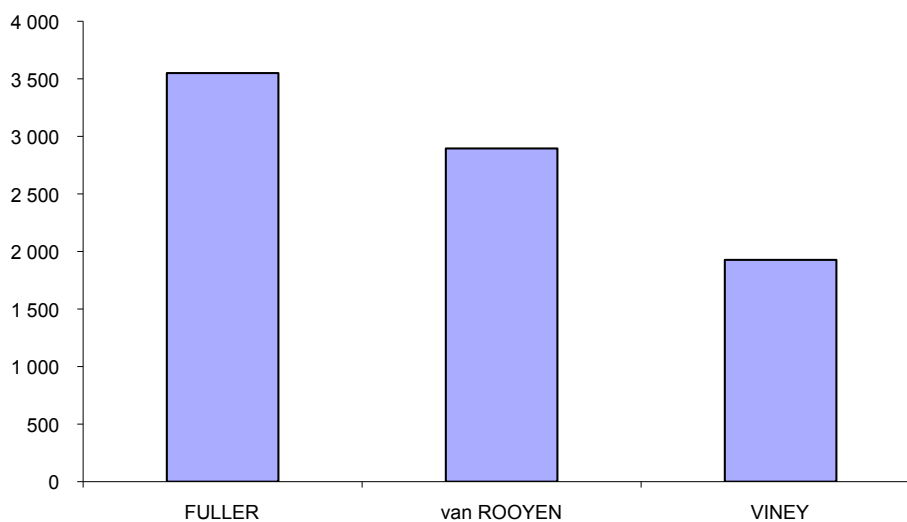
Informal ballot papers: 186

Total ballot papers: 8 558

Informality rate: 2.17%

		Candidates				Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		FULLER	van ROOYEN	VINEY	Exhausted			
Count 1	Progress Total	3 550	2 895	1 927	0	8 372	4 187	First preferences
	Votes transferred	1 056	724	-1 927	147			Viney excluded
Count 2	Progress Total	4 606	3 619	0	147	8 372	4 113	Fuller elected

2011 Central Coast Deputy Mayor election - first preferences



2010 Central Coast Council by-election

Polling closed: 10 am Tuesday 16 November 2010

Returning Officer: Mr Andrew Hawkey

Retiring member: Mayor Mike Downie (deceased)

Councillor elected to serve until the 2013 ordinary election.

Mayor elected to serve until the 2011 ordinary election.

For the election of Councillor

Total ballot papers: 7 619

Formal votes: 7 578

Informal ballot papers: 41 (0.54%)

Candidates

		BROAD Shane	CARPENTER Garry	COOPER Don	HORNE Eunice	VANDERFEEN Andrew	WALSH Michael	Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Absolute majority	Remarks
Count 1	Total	1 667	2 381	883	598	575	1 474		7 578	3 790	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	109	141	123	74	- 575	105	23			Vanderfeen excluded
	Progressive total	1 776	2 522	1 006	672	0	1 579	23	7 578	3 778	
Count 3	Votes transferred	218	141	82	- 672		177	54			Horne excluded
	Progressive total	1 994	2 663	1 088	0		1 756	77	7 578	3 751	
Count 4	Votes transferred	339	428	-1 088			250	71			Cooper excluded
	Progressive total	2 333	3 091	0			2 006	148	7 578	3 716	
Count 5	Votes transferred	922	991				-2 006	93			Walsh excluded
	Progressive total	3 255	4 082				0	241	7 578	3 669	Carpenter elected

For the election of Mayor

Jan Bonde (elected unopposed)