



# Dorset Council 2014 election report

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#### **Local Government Elections in Tasmania**

Tasmania's local government elections were held in September-October 2014. These were the first all-in, all-out elections conducted since the enactment on 20 June 2013 of the *Local Government Amendment (Elections) Act 2013* and the making of the *Local Government (Number of Councillors) Order 2013*, the *Local Government (Number of Councillors) Order 2014* and the *Local Government (Elections) Order 2013*.

The effect of these was to defer the elections, originally scheduled for 2013, until 2014 when all councillors and aldermen, and mayors and deputy mayors, would be elected for a four year term ending in 2018. The terms of office of councillors elected in both 2009 and 2011 ended in 2014.

There was also a reduction in the number of councillors or aldermen to be elected to nine councils in 2014 (see statewide *Local government election report 2014* for further details).

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 quadrennial elections due in October 2018.

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.

#### 2014 Election timetable

Notice of election published

Nominations opened

Electoral rolls closed

Nominations closed

Nominations closed

Saturday 13 September

9am Monday 15 September

6 pm Thursday 18 September

12 noon Monday 29 September

Nominations announced

12 noon Tuesday 30 September

Ballot material received by electors 14–17 October Polling period 14–28 October

Close of poll 10 am Tuesday 28 October

#### Casual vacancies for councillor/alderman

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. If a recount is not possible, a by-election is held. A candidate elected at a recount or by-election serves until the next council election.

#### 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 2014 Dorset Council Election**

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and 9 Councillors, all for 4 year terms.

5 416 Dorset electors were enrolled for the 2014 elections, comprising 5 167 (95.40%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 249 (4.60%) from the General Manager's roll.

66.54% of Dorset electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 54.58% statewide.

#### Recounts

A recount was conducted on 11 November 2011, to fill a vacancy for Councillor on the Dorset Council following the resignation of Yvonne Thorne on 3 October 2011. Four unelected candidates from the 2009 Dorset Council election contested the recount. An abstract of the count is at the back of this report.

#### **Dorset Councillors following the 2014 elections**

#### Mayor

JARVIS, Barry

#### **Deputy Mayor**

HOWARD, Greg

#### 9 Councillors

JARVIS, Barry

MOORE, Shaun

JESSUP, Dale

HOWARD, Greg

HALL, Maxwell Arthur

ARNOLD, Steven

MARTIN, Sheryl

ARCHER, Lawrence

QUILLIAM, Leon Stanley

#### 2014 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

# The candidates

| <b>Dorset Council</b>        |                                  | enrolment 5 416 |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Councillor                   | 18 candidates (9 to be elected)  |                 |
| ARCHER, Lawrence *           |                                  | Bridport        |
| ARNOLD, Steven *^            |                                  | Bridport        |
| BOOTH, Christine             |                                  | Branxholm       |
| BOURNE, Peter Leonard George |                                  | Bridport        |
| BROWN, Ronald Douglas        |                                  | Legerwood       |
| DONALDSON, Kerrie            |                                  | Telita          |
| HALL, Maxwell Arthur *       |                                  | Scottsdale      |
| HOWARD, Greg *               |                                  | Jetsonville     |
| JARVIS, Barry *^             |                                  | Bridport        |
| JESSUP, Dale *               |                                  | Cuckoo          |
| LOHREY, Malvin (Mal)         |                                  | Tonganah        |
| MARTIN, Sheryl *^            |                                  | Jetsonville     |
| MOORE, Shaun *               |                                  | Bridport        |
| PARTRIDGE, Peter ^           |                                  | Scottsdale      |
| PRIESTLEY, Trevor            |                                  | Bridport        |
| QUILLIAM, Leon Stanley *     |                                  | Tomahawk        |
| SCHRAMM, Mary                |                                  | Ringarooma      |
| SCOTT, Tony                  |                                  | Bridport        |
| Mayor                        | 1 candidate – no ballot required |                 |
| JARVIS, Barry *^             |                                  | Bridport        |
| Deputy Mayor                 | 5 candidates                     |                 |
| ARCHER, Lawrence             |                                  | Bridport        |
| ARNOLD, Steven               |                                  | Bridport        |
| HALL, Maxwell Arthur         |                                  | Scottsdale      |
| HOWARD, Greg *               |                                  | Jetsonville     |
| JESSUP, Dale                 |                                  | Cuckoo          |

<sup>\*</sup> denotes elected candidate
^ denotes seeking re-election

# **Dorset Council - 2014 Councillor election**

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014

Number to be elected: 9

Returning Officer: Damian Read

Electors enrolled: 5 416

Declarations returned: 3 604

Response rate: 66.54%

Declarations rejected: 47
Declarations admitted: 3 557

Rejection rate: 1.30%

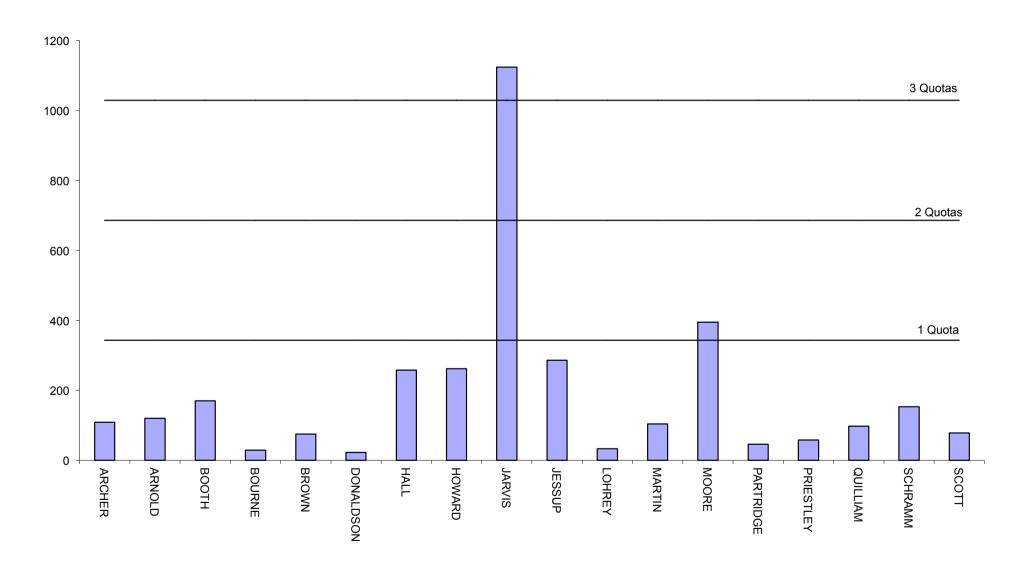
| Count    | ARCHER | ARNOLD | воотн  | BOURNE  | BROWN    | DONALDSON | HALL   | HOWARD  | JARVIS   | JESSUP  | LOHREY  | MARTIN  |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|---------|----------|-----------|--------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1        | 109.00 | 120.00 | 170.00 | 29.00   | 75.00    | 23.00     | 258.00 | 262.00  | 1124.00  | 286.00  | 33.00   | 104.00  |
| 2        | 63.23  | 134.10 | 9.03   | 5.55    | 21.54    | 2.08      | 78.51  | 129.24  | - 781.00 | 137.57  | 1.38    | 81.99   |
|          | 172.23 | 254.10 | 179.03 | 34.55   | 96.54    | 25.08     | 336.51 | 391.24  | 343.00   | 423.57  | 34.38   | 185.99  |
| 3        | 3.94   | 13.03  | 1.18   | 0.52    | 2.76     | 0.13      | 13.29  |         |          |         | 0.92    | 4.87    |
|          | 176.17 | 267.13 | 180.21 | 35.07   | 99.30    | 25.21     | 349.80 | 391.24  | 343.00   | 423.57  | 35.30   | 190.86  |
| 4        | 5.69   | 16.27  | 2.44   | 0.40    | 4.47     | 0.00      |        |         |          | - 80.57 | 0.81    | 21.56   |
|          | 181.86 | 283.40 | 182.65 | 35.47   | 103.77   | 25.21     | 349.80 | 391.24  | 343.00   | 343.00  | 36.11   | 212.42  |
| 5        | 5.96   | 12.96  | 0.25   | 0.51    | 3.63     | 0.25      |        | - 48.24 |          |         | 0.00    | 11.67   |
| -        | 187.82 | 296.36 | 182.90 | 35.98   | 107.40   | 25.46     | 349.80 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | 36.11   | 224.09  |
| 6        | 0.47   | 2.35   | 0.20   | 0.00    | 0.26     | 0.06      | - 6.80 |         |          |         | 0.13    | 0.87    |
|          | 188.29 | 298.71 | 183.10 | 35.98   | 107.66   | 25.52     | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | 36.24   | 224.96  |
| 7 to 11  | 2.13   | 1.25   | 1.00   | 3.00    | 2.75     | - 25.52   |        |         |          |         | 1.00    | 3.69    |
|          | 190.42 | 299.96 | 184.10 | 38.98   | 110.41   | 0.00      | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | 37.24   | 228.65  |
| 12 to 16 | 3.95   | 4.81   | 1.00   | 2.00    | 4.00     |           |        |         |          |         | - 37.24 | 6.00    |
|          | 194.37 | 304.77 | 185.10 | 40.98   | 114.41   |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | 0.00    | 234.65  |
| 17 to 21 | 4.21   | 3.00   | 6.00   | - 40.98 | 5.07     |           |        |         |          |         |         | 5.82    |
|          | 198.58 | 307.77 | 191.10 | 0.00    | 119.48   |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | _       | 240.47  |
| 22 to 27 | 7.91   | 14.77  | 7.00   |         | 6.07     |           |        |         |          |         |         | 15.65   |
|          | 206.49 | 322.54 | 198.10 | _       | 125.55   |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | _       | 256.12  |
| 28 to 29 | 10.47  | 25.50  | 2.69   |         | 9.47     |           |        |         |          |         |         | 14.25   |
|          | 216.96 | 348.04 | 200.79 | _       | 135.02   |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | _       | 270.37  |
| 30 to 33 | 1.99   |        | 0.53   |         | 0.52     |           |        |         |          |         |         | 2.50    |
|          | 218.95 | 348.04 | 201.32 | _       | 135.54   |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | _       | 272.87  |
| 34       | 1.12   | - 5.04 | 0.00   |         | 0.28     |           |        |         |          |         |         | 1.68    |
|          | 220.07 | 343.00 | 201.32 | _       | 135.82   | -         | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | _       | 274.55  |
| 35 to 41 | 7.83   |        | 11.39  |         | - 135.82 |           |        |         |          |         |         | 56.70   |
|          | 227.90 | 343.00 | 212.71 | _       | 0.00     |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  | _       | 331.25  |
| 42       | 25.00  |        | 20.00  |         |          |           |        |         |          |         |         | 30.00   |
|          | 252.90 | 343.00 | 232.71 |         |          |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  |         | 361.25  |
| 43 to 48 | 26.56  |        | 9.91   |         |          |           |        |         |          |         |         |         |
|          | 279.46 | 343.00 | 242.62 |         |          |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  |         | 361.25  |
| 49       | 6.69   |        | 2.43   |         |          |           |        |         |          |         |         | - 18.25 |
|          | 286.15 | 343.00 | 245.05 |         |          |           | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  |         | 343.00  |
| 50 to 53 | 57.37  |        | 74.59  |         |          |           |        |         |          |         |         |         |
|          | 343.52 | 343.00 | 319.64 |         |          | -         | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  |         | 343.00  |
| 54 to 57 |        |        | 1.95   |         |          |           |        |         |          |         |         |         |
|          | 343.52 | 343.00 | 321.59 |         |          | -         | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  |         | 343.00  |
| 58       | - 0.52 |        | 0.00   |         |          |           |        |         |          |         |         |         |
|          | 343.00 | 343.00 | 321.59 |         |          | -         | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  |         | 343.00  |
|          |        | 343.00 |        |         |          | -         | 343.00 | 343.00  | 343.00   | 343.00  |         | 34      |

Ballot paper adjustment: 14 Total ballot papers: 3 543 Formal Votes: 3 421 Informal ballot papers: 122 Informality rate: 3.44%

Quota = 343

| MOORE   | PARTRIDGE | PRIESTLEY | QUILLIAM | SCHRAMM  | SCOTT    | Votes<br>Exhausted | Loss (Gain)<br>by Fraction | Total Votes | Remarks                            |
|---------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| 395.00  | 46.00     | 58.00     | 98.00    | 153.00   | 78.00    |                    | 0.00                       | 3421.00     | JARVIS elected 1, MOORE elected 2  |
|         | 29.87     | 6.94      | 22.23    | 17.37    | 40.30    |                    | 0.07                       |             | JARVIS' surplus distributed        |
| 395.00  | 75.87     | 64.94     | 120.23   | 170.37   | 118.30   |                    | 0.07                       | 3421.00     | JESSUP elected 3, HOWARD elected 4 |
| - 52.00 | 1.71      | 1.05      | 3.02     | 1.31     | 4.21     |                    | 0.06                       |             | MOORE's surplus distributed        |
| 343.00  | 77.58     | 65.99     | 123.25   | 171.68   | 122.51   |                    | 0.13                       | 3421.00     | HALL elected 5                     |
|         | 4.06      | 2.84      | 10.98    | 3.66     | 7.32     |                    | 0.07                       |             | JESSUP's surplus distributed       |
| 343.00  | 81.64     | 68.83     | 134.23   | 175.34   | 129.83   |                    | 0.20                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         | 2.33      | 1.29      | 3.11     | 1.29     | 4.92     |                    | 0.07                       |             | HOWARD's surplus distributed       |
| 343.00  | 83.97     | 70.12     | 137.34   | 176.63   | 134.75   |                    | 0.27                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         | 0.67      | 0.33      | 0.67     | 0.20     | 0.53     |                    | 0.06                       |             | HALL's surplus distributed         |
| 343.00  | 84.64     | 70.45     | 138.01   | 176.83   | 135.28   |                    | 0.33                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         | 1.00      | 0.00      | 5.00     | 2.69     | 2.00     |                    | 0.01                       |             | DONALDSON excluded                 |
| 343.00  | 85.64     | 70.45     | 143.01   | 179.52   | 137.28   |                    | 0.34                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         | 1.95      | 1.13      | 8.13     | 3.13     | 1.13     |                    | 0.01                       |             | LOHREY excluded                    |
| 343.00  | 87.59     | 71.58     | 151.14   | 182.65   | 138.41   |                    | 0.35                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         | 0.82      | 5.69      | 2.00     | 3.40     | 4.94     |                    | 0.03                       |             | BOURNE excluded                    |
| 343.00  | 88.41     | 77.27     | 153.14   | 186.05   | 143.35   |                    | 0.38                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         | 5.28      | - 77.27   | 6.08     | 7.38     | 7.04     |                    | 0.09                       |             | PRIESTLEY excluded                 |
| 343.00  | 93.69     | 0.00      | 159.22   | 193.43   | 150.39   |                    | 0.47                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         | - 83.94   |           | 5.69     | 6.08     | 9.77     |                    | 0.02                       |             | PARTRIDGE part excluded            |
| 343.00  | 9.75      | _         | 164.91   | 199.51   | 160.16   |                    | 0.49                       | 3421.00     | ARNOLD elected 6                   |
|         | - 9.75    |           | 1.84     | 0.13     | 2.18     |                    | 0.06                       |             | PARTRIDGE excluded                 |
| 343.00  | 0.00      | _         | 166.75   | 199.64   | 162.34   |                    | 0.55                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         |           |           | 0.56     | 0.00     | 1.40     |                    | 0.00                       |             | ARNOLD's surplus distributed       |
| 343.00  |           | _         | 167.31   | 199.64   | 163.74   |                    | 0.55                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         |           |           | 26.35    | 17.79    | 15.67    |                    | 0.09                       |             | BROWN excluded                     |
| 343.00  |           | _         | 193.66   | 217.43   | 179.41   |                    | 0.64                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         |           |           | 24.00    | 9.00     | - 108.00 |                    | 0.00                       |             | SCOTT part excluded                |
| 343.00  |           | _         | 217.66   | 226.43   | 71.41    |                    | 0.64                       | 3421.00     | MARTIN elected 7                   |
|         |           |           | 21.86    | 10.45    | - 71.41  | 2.61               | 0.02                       |             | SCOTT excluded                     |
| 343.00  |           | _         | 239.52   | 236.88   | 0.00     | 2.61               | 0.66                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         |           |           | 3.64     | 4.25     |          | 1.21               | 0.03                       |             | MARTIN's surplus distributed       |
| 343.00  |           | _         | 243.16   | 241.13   | •        | 3.82               | 0.69                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         |           |           | 88.49    | - 235.64 |          | 15.18              | 0.01                       |             | SCHRAMM part excluded              |
| 343.00  |           | _         | 331.65   | 5.49     | •        | 19.00              | 0.70                       | 3421.00     | ARCHER elected 8                   |
|         |           |           | 2.68     | - 5.49   |          | 0.84               | 0.02                       |             | SCHRAMM excluded                   |
| 343.00  |           | _         | 334.33   | 0.00     | •        | 19.84              | 0.72                       | 3421.00     |                                    |
|         |           |           | 0.51     |          |          | 0.00               | 0.01                       |             | ARCHER's surplus distributed       |
| 343.00  |           |           | 334.84   |          | •        | 19.84              | 0.73                       | 3421.00     | QUILLIAM elected 9                 |

# 2014 Dorset Councillor election - first preferences



#### **Dorset Council**

Count 4 Votes transferred

Progress Total

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014 Returning Officer: Damian Read

**Mayor** — Barry Jarvis (elected unopposed)

| <b>Deputy Mayor</b> Declarations admitted: 3 557 |                   |                        |               |                     |             |                            |                         | Formal Votes: 3 526 |                      |                   |  |  |
|--|-------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--|--|
|  |                   | Ballot paper           | r adjustmer   | nt: 13              |             | Informal ballot papers: 18 |                         |                     |                      |                   |  |  |
|  |                   | Total ballot           | papers: 3 5   | 44                  |             |                            | Informality rate: 0.51% |                     |                      |                   |  |  |
|  |                   |                        |               |                     |             |                            |                         |                     |                      |                   |  |  |
|  |                   | <b>ARCHER</b> Lawrence | ARNOLD Steven | HALL Maxwell Arthur | HOWARD Greg | JESSUP Dale                | Exhausted               | Total Votes         | Absolute<br>Majority | Remarks           |  |  |
| Count 1  | Progress Total    | 392                    | 659           | 720                 | 839         | 916                        | 0                       | 3526                | 1764                 | First preferences |  |  |
| Count 2  | Votes transferred | -392                   | 84            | 57                  | 101         | 109                        | 41                      |                     |                      | ARCHER excluded   |  |  |
|  | Progress Total    | 0                      | 743           | 777                 | 940         | 1025                       | 41                      | 3526                | 1743                 |                   |  |  |
| Count 3  | Votes transferred |                        | -743          | 183                 | 237         | 234                        | 89                      |                     |                      | ARNOLD excluded   |  |  |
|  | Progress Total    |                        | 0             | 960                 | 1177        | 1259                       | 130                     | 3526                | 1699                 |                   |  |  |

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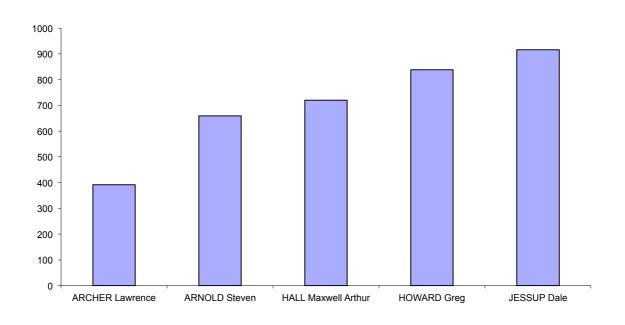
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HALL excluded

**HOWARD** elected

2014 Dorset Deputy Mayor election - first preferences

-960



# **Dorset Council - Councillor Recount**

# Recount due to resignation of Councillor Yvonne Thorne

#### **11 November 2011**

|               |       | CASHION<br>Graham | DONALDSON<br>Kerrie | POWELL<br>Michael | PROBERT<br>Jill | Exhausted<br>Votes | Lost by fraction | Total Votes | Absolute<br>majority | Remarks                                 |
|---------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------|----------------------|---|
| Counts 1 to 2 | Total | 60.65             | 69.70               | 113.02            | 266.63          | 24.97              | 0.03             | 535.00      | 255.01               | Distribution of THORNE, PROBERT elected |