



Kentish 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	Saturday 13 September
Nominations opened	9am Monday 15 September
Electoral rolls closed	6 pm Thursday 18 September
Nominations closed	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.

Report on the 2014 Kentish Council Election

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

4 558 Kentish electors were enrolled for the 2014 elections, comprising 4 442 (97.46%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 116 (2.54%) from the General Manager's roll.

58.16% of Kentish electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 54.58% statewide.

Kentish Councillors following the 2014 elections

Mayor

THWAITES, Don

Deputy Mayor

WILSON, Tim

9 Councillors

THWAITES, Don

LANE, Penny

WILSON, Tim

HABERLE, Kate

CASSIDY, Linda

RICHARDS, Phillip

HUGHES, Terry

WILLOCK, Annie

BLENKHORN, Rodney James

The candidates

Kentish Council

enrolment 4 558

Councillor	16 candidates (9 to be elected)	
BLENKHORN, Rodney James *		Railton
CANNELL, Elisabeth		Acacia Hills
CASSIDY, Linda *		Railton
HABERLE, Kate *		Sheffield
HARGREAVES, Julie		Gowrie Park
HUGHES, Terry *		Nook
LANE, Penny *^		Barrington
MYERS, Neil		Sheffield
RICHARDS, Phillip *		Wilmot
ROBINSON, Bob ^		Lorinna
THWAITES, Don *^		Paradise
WHEATON, Jon		Wilmot
WILLIAMS, Daniel		Moina
WILLOCK, Annie *^		Lorinna
WILSON, Tim *^		Sheffield
WINDERS, Lewis		Sheffield

Mayor	3 candidates	
HUGHES, Terry		Nook
THWAITES, Don *^		Paradise
WILLIAMS, Daniel		Moina

Deputy Mayor	3 candidates	
LANE, Penny		Barrington
WILLOCK, Annie		Lorinna
WILSON, Tim *^		Sheffield

* denotes elected candidate

^ denotes seeking re-election

Kentish Council - 2014 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014

Electors enrolled: 4 558

Declarations rejected: 59

Number to be elected: 9

Declarations returned: 2 651

Declarations admitted: 2 592

Returning Officer: Paul Eklom

Response rate: 58.16%

Rejection rate: 2.23%

Count	BLENKHORN	CANNELL	CASSIDY	HABERLE	HARGREAVES	HUGHES	LANE	MYERS	RICHARDS	ROBINSON	THWAITES
1	112.00	26.00	214.00	179.00	39.00	106.00	313.00	49.00	197.00	50.00	802.00
2	17.26	1.38	26.94	47.66	10.36	37.99		10.36	19.34	20.72	- 554.00
	129.26	27.38	240.94	226.66	49.36	143.99	313.00	59.36	216.34	70.72	248.00
3	4.98	1.66	3.53	15.57	4.15	7.26	- 65.00	1.66	3.94	3.73	
	134.24	29.04	244.47	242.23	53.51	151.25	248.00	61.02	220.28	74.45	248.00
4	8.85	0.49	10.81	47.70	13.27	29.01		9.34	18.68	16.22	
	143.09	29.53	255.28	289.93	66.78	180.26	248.00	70.36	238.96	90.67	248.00
5	2.59	2.59		- 41.93	4.75	6.05		5.61	4.75	5.61	
	145.68	32.12	255.28	248.00	71.53	186.31	248.00	75.97	243.71	96.28	248.00
6	0.99	1.32	- 7.28		0.00	0.99		0.33	0.66	0.99	
	146.67	33.44	248.00	248.00	71.53	187.30	248.00	76.30	244.37	97.27	248.00
7 to 10	1.00	0.00			1.18	1.69		0.20	1.20	1.49	
	147.67	33.44	248.00	248.00	72.71	188.99	248.00	76.50	245.57	98.76	248.00
11 to 12	3.00	- 27.38			2.00	3.00		4.00	2.69	2.69	
	150.67	6.06	248.00	248.00	74.71	191.99	248.00	80.50	248.26	101.45	248.00
13 to 16	0.43	- 6.06			1.17	0.90		1.95		0.00	
	151.10	0.00	248.00	248.00	75.88	192.89	248.00	82.45	248.26	101.45	248.00
17	0.00				0.00	0.00		0.26	- 0.26	0.00	
	151.10		248.00	248.00	75.88	192.89	248.00	82.71	248.00	101.45	248.00
18 to 23	5.48				- 75.88	6.53		11.96		10.01	
	156.58		248.00	248.00	0.00	199.42	248.00	94.67	248.00	111.46	248.00
24 to 30	19.56					11.71		- 94.67		8.07	
	176.14		248.00	248.00		211.13	248.00	0.00	248.00	119.53	248.00
31 to 36	18.99					21.42				- 119.53	
	195.13		248.00	248.00		232.55	248.00		248.00	0.00	248.00
37	23.00					34.00					
	218.13		248.00	248.00		266.55	248.00		248.00		248.00
38 to 42	25.88										
	244.01		248.00	248.00		266.55	248.00		248.00		248.00
43	12.00					- 18.55					
	256.01		248.00	248.00		248.00	248.00		248.00		248.00

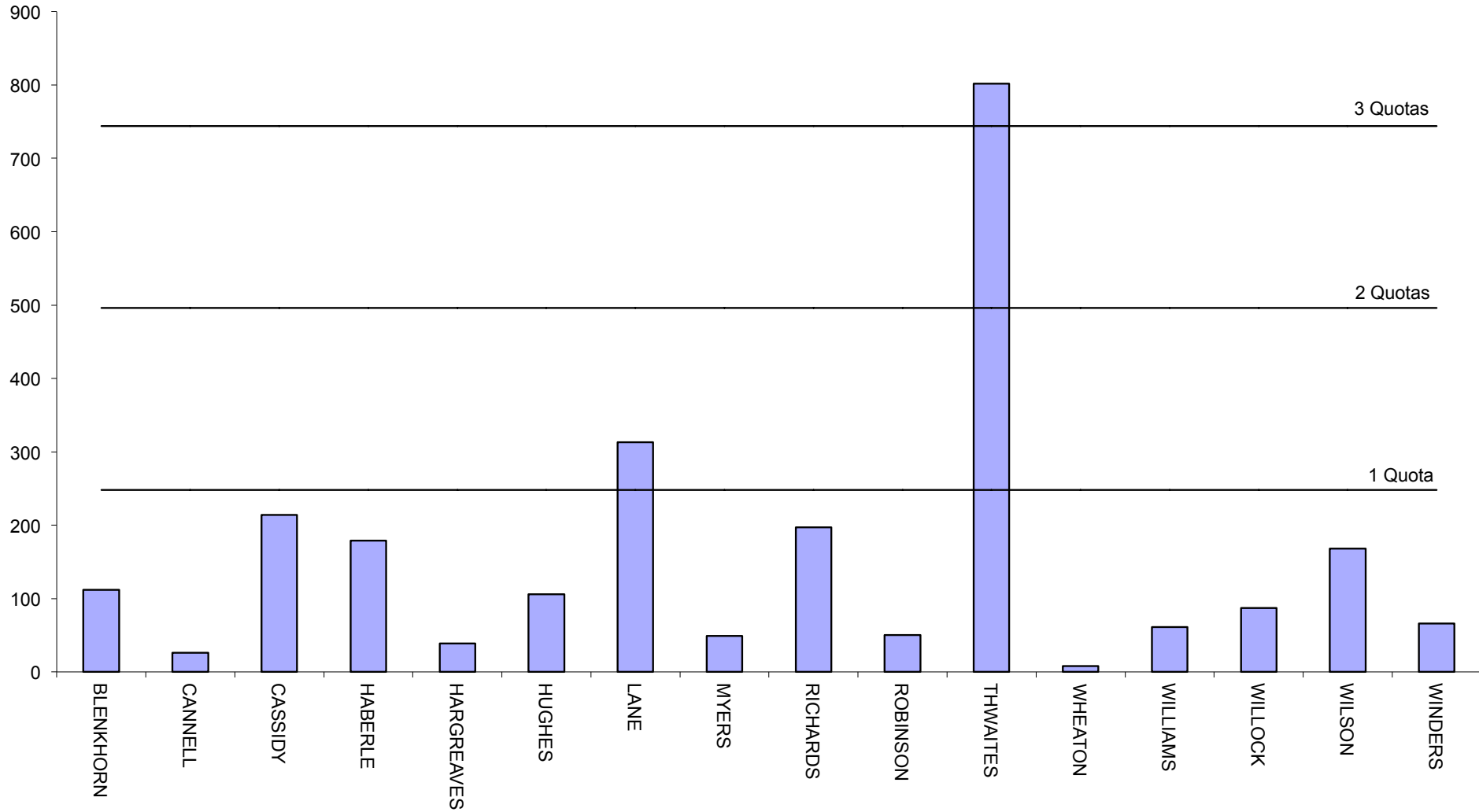
Ballot paper adjustment: 4
 Total ballot papers: 2 588

Formal Votes: 2 477
 Informal ballot papers: 111
 Informality rate: 4.29%

Quota = 248

WHEATON	WILLIAMS	WILLOCK	WILSON	WINDERS	Votes Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
8.00	61.00	87.00	168.00	66.00		0.00	2477.00	THWAITES elected 1, LANE elected 2
2.07	20.72	40.06	277.69	21.41		0.04		THWAITES' surplus distributed
10.07	81.72	127.06	445.69	87.41		0.04	2477.00	WILSON elected 3
0.83	5.60	7.06		4.98		0.05		LANE's surplus distributed
10.90	87.32	134.12	445.69	92.39		0.09	2477.00	
0.98	11.80	17.70	- 197.69	12.78		0.06		WILSON's surplus distributed
11.88	99.12	151.82	248.00	105.17		0.15	2477.00	HABERLE elected 4, CASSIDY elected 5
0.00	0.43	2.16		7.34		0.05		HABERLE's surplus distributed
11.88	99.55	153.98	248.00	112.51		0.20	2477.00	
0.00	0.66	0.99		0.33		0.02		CASSIDY's surplus distributed
11.88	100.21	154.97	248.00	112.84		0.22	2477.00	
- 11.88	1.69	2.41		1.00		0.02		WHEATON excluded
0.00	101.90	157.38	248.00	113.84		0.24	2477.00	
	4.00	4.00		2.00		0.00		CANNELL part excluded
	105.90	161.38	248.00	115.84		0.24	2477.00	RICHARDS elected 6
	0.74	0.41		0.43		0.03		CANNELL excluded
	106.64	161.79	248.00	116.27		0.27	2477.00	
	0.00	0.00		0.00		0.00		RICHARDS' surplus distributed
	106.64	161.79	248.00	116.27		0.27	2477.00	
	15.36	20.17		6.30		0.07		HARGREAVES excluded
	122.00	181.96	248.00	122.57		0.34	2477.00	
	13.78	28.09		13.38		0.08		MYERS excluded
	135.78	210.05	248.00	135.95		0.42	2477.00	
	23.88	16.18		35.95	3.06	0.05		ROBINSON excluded
	159.66	226.23	248.00	171.90	3.06	0.47	2477.00	
	- 98.00	23.00		14.00	4.00	0.00		WILLIAMS part excluded
	61.66	249.23	248.00	185.90	7.06	0.47	2477.00	HUGHES elected 7, WILLOCK elected 8
	- 61.66			28.52	7.29	(0.03)		WILLIAMS excluded
	0.00	249.23	248.00	214.42	14.35	0.44	2477.00	
				6.54	0.00	0.01		HUGHES' surplus distributed
		249.23	248.00	220.96	14.35	0.45	2477.00	BLENKHORN elected 9

2014 Kentish Councillor election - first preferences



Kentish Council

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014

Returning Officer: Paul Eklom

Mayor

Declarations admitted: 2 592

Formal Votes: 2 548

Ballot paper adjustment: 4

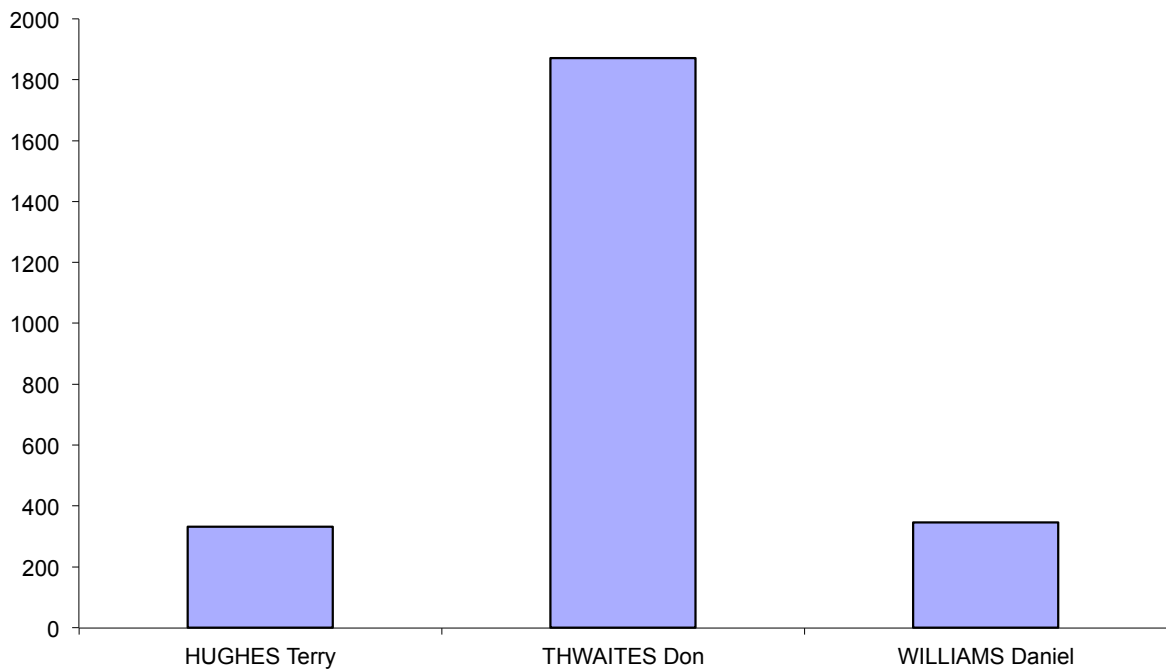
Informal ballot papers: 40

Total ballot papers: 2 588

Informality rate: 1.55%

		HUGHES Terry	THWAITES Don	WILLIAMS Daniel	Exhausted	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
Count 1	Progress Total	331	1871	346	0	2548	1275	THWAITES elected

2014 Kentish Mayor election - first preferences



Kentish Council

Polling closed at 10am 28 October 2014

Returning Officer: Paul Eklom

Deputy Mayor

Declarations admitted: 2 592

Formal Votes: 2 541

Ballot paper adjustment: 4

Informal ballot papers: 47

Total ballot papers: 2 588

Informality rate: 1.82%

		LANE Penny	WILLOCK Annie	WILSON Tim	Exhausted	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
Count 1	Progress Total	917	320	1304	0	2541	1271	WILSON elected

2014 Kentish Deputy Mayor election - first preferences

