



Tasmanian
Electoral Commission

2018 Local Government Elections



MAKE YOUR MARK
VOTE LOCAL

Your vote must be received by
10am on Tuesday 30 October 2018

INFORMATION

There are 3 elections being held for Kentish Council:

- 9 Councillors
 - 12 candidates
- Mayor – 1 candidate
 - (no ballot required)
- Deputy Mayor – 4 candidates

As well as this booklet, your postal ballot pack contains:

- 2 sheets of paper (one for councillors, the other for deputy mayor).
- a ballot paper envelope
 - you must sign this
- a reply paid envelope

Successful candidates for mayor and deputy mayor must also be elected as councillors to be able to accept these offices.

The mayor, deputy mayor and councillors you elect will serve until October 2022.

Questions? Call 1800 801 701

With changes to Australia Post services, it is important to complete and return your vote now.

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INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these five easy steps:

1 Consider your vote

Each candidate has been invited to provide a statement, for your consideration. Statements are reproduced substantially as supplied by candidates. They are printed in alphabetical order. Note - the names on the ballot papers may not be in the same order. *Get to know the candidates before you vote.*

2 Record your vote

When you have decided how you wish to vote, number the boxes on each ballot paper from 1 onwards in the order of your choice.

3 Make your vote secret

Put your completed ballot papers in the ballot paper envelope and seal it securely.

4 Validate your vote

Sign your ballot paper envelope.

Your vote won't be counted if you don't sign this envelope.

Then put your ballot paper envelope in the reply paid envelope and seal it.

5 Post your vote

Post your reply paid envelope straight away.
No need for a stamp
or take to your Council office.

**Don't delay –
late votes won't be counted!**

BLENKHORN, Rodney

Candidate for Councillor, Deputy Mayor



As a fourth generation Kentish resident and currently a small business operator I ask for your vote to re-elect me as a Councillor and also to elect me as Deputy Mayor. I stand for passionate representation without fear or favour. I will not be answerable to particular interest groups and see my role clearly as representing all views within the Kentish municipality. I support a common sense approach to sustainable development not only that development aimed at local living and industry but also development that capitalises on the increasing tourist numbers that come through Kentish.

CANNELL, Elisabeth

Candidate for Councillor



I'm a small business owner located at Acacia Hills and have resided in the Kentish Municipality for almost 30 years. Some of our constituents may remember when the most recent draft planning proposals were put on the table; the wording of which was going to negatively impact animal husbandry on certain small holdings. I door knocked, pamphlet delivered, petitioned and contacted the Planning Commission as an individual for a satisfactory result at the time. I have strong skills in writing, auditing, and compliance, a skillset suited to working as your Councillor.

CASSIDY, Linda

Candidate for Councillor



As a long term resident of Railton, I feel honoured to have served as a Councillor at Kentish for the past 4 years. I have thoroughly enjoyed working alongside my fellow Councillors & being part of such a positive & open minded team. I have met some wonderful people at many community meetings, listening to ratepayers' ideas & visions. As a Councillor, my focus remains on effective planning & management, financial viability & strong ethical evidence-based decisions. I ask for your vote in the upcoming Kentish Council election to continue "working with the people for the people".

HABERLE, Kate

Candidate for Councillor, Deputy Mayor



As a long term resident of Kentish and Councillor for the past four years, it is my desire to continue to serve the people of this municipality. The role of Councillor has enabled me to advocate, listen to and engage with all sectors of the community. I am aware of the importance of good governance, decision making and working collaboratively as a team.

As a Councillor and Deputy Mayor, I will work to ensure Kentish remains a thriving municipality through effective planning and budgeting, encouraging economic development and consolidating the positive functioning of our Council.

HUGHES, Terry

Candidate for Councillor



I have lived in Kentish all my life and married to Maree and have 2 sons and 5 grandchildren and been part of Nook community for 20 years. Served as Councillor for the last 4 years as a delegate on Council committees. Kentish has a wonderful future in new developments cottage industries, tourist development in new accommodation areas where they will stay longer to enjoy our majestic mountains, scenery and views in our region. If elected I will continue to work for the whole of the community as a Councillor by supporting me with your number one vote.

LANE, Penny

Candidate for Councillor



I have been a proven Kentish Councillor 11 years, dedicated to bringing issues of the community to Council. Because I have been a positive Council representative to many groups, I believe that I have a good and solid knowledge that will enable stability. Kentish Council needs to remain strong, yet be able to be diverse in cost saving, and prudent management decisions. Kentish should grow, and embrace opportunities that will enhance its future. There are exciting times ahead for our beautiful place we call home, I am thrilled to think you will re-elect me to represent your views. Thank you.

MAWER, Stephen

Candidate for Councillor, Deputy Mayor



Being elected as a Councillor, Deputy Mayor I would be open to all the community from our elderly through to our youth and business owners in the Kentish area to discuss all issue with an open mind.

I see strong growth in all areas, and would continue to support this in the right areas for the community and business, I have a strong history in management and negotiation skills, I understand the needs of working people, their families and communities. I understand that those needs and aspirations can only be achieved by a strong and effective Council.

MEIJER, Nicole

Candidate for Councillor



I am standing for Council because I believe in the power of community. The people, townships and terrain of our area are varied and unique, and I am excited by the abundant potential I see in our region.

I have a ready ear and a strong, young voice. I value teamwork and promise to serve you and our district faithfully. Together we can continue to build and shape the future of Kentish as a thriving place for people of all ages and interests to live and visit. f: @nicolemeijerforkentish e: nicole.meijer.makes@gmail.com

RICHARDS, Phillip

Candidate for Councillor



I want to thank the people of Kentish for giving me the opportunity to serve on Council. I am married to Alison and we have two sons. We run a family farm in Wilmot. As a Council we have upgraded Goliath Park and the Sheffield Recreation Centre and in coming months the Wild Mersey Mountain Bike Trail and the Wilmot Streetscape will commence.

With my background in farming and as an active member of my local community, I have a good understanding of the issues facing Kentish. I would like to be given the opportunity to serve on the next Council as I believe I still have more to offer.

THWAITES, Don

Candidate for Councillor, Deputy Mayor



I am very proud of Kentish Council's achievements over the last eleven years while I have been Mayor. Now the time is right for a new Mayor so I am nominating for Deputy Mayor where I can be a mentor and available to act as Mayor when required. I want to continue being part of a team that ensures good Council facilities and services for all of Kentish. I value community consultation and am always interested in hearing your thoughts and ideas for Kentish.

A vote for me as Deputy Mayor and Councillor will ensure stability and sustainable growth in our exciting and award winning community.

WILLOCK, Annie

Candidate for Councillor

[Web link](#)



Representing ratepayers, my focus is on social justice, our unique Kentish environment, economic prudence and efficient delivery of quality services. I support local organisations, initiatives providing positive outcomes for future generations & have a long history of voluntary community involvement.

My experience as a Councillor demonstrates my commitment to Kentish. I have respect & recognition through all tiers of government & am actively involved in women's networks in local government.

WILSON, Tim

Candidate for Councillor, Mayor



I have served as Deputy Mayor for the past 9 years, during that time my role has included acting as Mayor so I have a good understanding of what the position entails. I feel ready to step up into the role. Through my experience I have seen Kentish Council become stable, functional and financially solid. Kentish can expect continued economic growth with the Wild Mersey project commencing and possible developments at Cradle Mountain and in Pumped Hydro. My vision is to see the community become more self-confident and prosperous. Call me on 0438 912280.

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