



Local government by-election

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COMPULSORY**

Your vote must be received by
2 pm on Monday 22 September 2025

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Information

There is a by-election being held for Central Highlands Council:

» 1 councillor – 5 candidates

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

- » 1 ballot paper
- » a ballot paper envelope – you must sign this
- » a reply paid envelope

The elected councillor will serve until October 2026.

For further information, help, or to learn about the TEC's Impartial Assisted Voting Service, visit tec.tas.gov.au or call 1800 801 701.

Postal services take a number of days, so it is important to complete and return your vote now.

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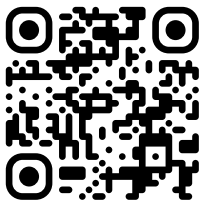


2 pm Monday
22 September 2025

Failure to vote may incur a fine

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

Scan for the online version
of this booklet, or go to:
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Instructions

Follow these five easy steps:

1. Get to know the candidates

Candidates were invited to provide a statement and photo for your consideration*.

Statements appear here in alphabetical order but the names on your ballot paper may not be in the same order.

2. Record your vote

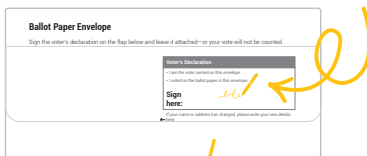
Number the boxes on your ballot paper from 1 onwards in the order of your choice.

3. Make your vote secret

Put your completed ballot paper 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.**



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 stamp needed), or take your vote to a Central Highlands Council office.



* Statements are reproduced substantially as supplied by candidates

BUTLER, Aimee

Candidate for councillor



I have called the Central Highlands municipality "home", since 2009. I am an Australian registered nurse, with Royal Hobart Hospital and correctional nursing experience. My RHH volunteer roles include: unit based council chairman and clinical council member, advising the Hospital South CEO. Previously, I have volunteered at the Central Highlands Visitor Centre.

As an elected councillor, I aim to bring these concerns to council: residential aged care facility, public transport, a bike/skate park, childcare and Bothwell playground upgrade. Thanks for your support.

DABBS, Susan

Candidate for councillor



I value community, family and history. I live in Bothwell and I am an active member of the CWA, and see the struggles many of our community face. If elected I want to create equitable access to childcare to provide local employment, to support existing families to stay, and to encourage new families and skilled workers to join our communities to boost our school numbers and enhance infrastructure. To do this I propose that we repurpose our magnificent historical buildings, not only to save them from ruin but to help the environment by reducing the resources used to build new ones.

LORING, Steve

Candidate for councillor



After a long career in education, my wife and I decided to move permanently to the Central Highlands (a place we had been visiting for many years) in 2020. I have always placed a high value on community service, and quickly became involved in a range of local organisations and activities - often in leadership roles. I also became particularly interested in the performance and affairs of our local council, attending most monthly meetings over the last three years to gain some insight. I believe the time is now right for me, if elected, to make an effective contribution to our local governance.

McRAE, Erika

Candidate for councillor



I'm a proud Central Highlands resident, mother, registered nurse, and former councillor. I care deeply about our community's health, safety, and future. With experience in clinical safety and local government, I bring practical knowledge and a strong voice for families, services, and infrastructure. I'm committed to listening, advocating, and working hard for all residents.

TRIFFETT, Shelley

Candidate for councillor



I have strong ties to the Central Highlands, with my family living here for over five generations. I enjoy outdoor activities including camping and travelling. My background includes working with children and schools, food service and catering, tourism and management, accommodations, gardening and fundraising. I am an award-winning business owner, and I value honesty, transparency, and supporting my community. I aim to keep rates low during the cost-of-living crisis, and believe the Central Highlands is the best place in the world to live and work. Vote 1 Shelley Triffett, Thank you.

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