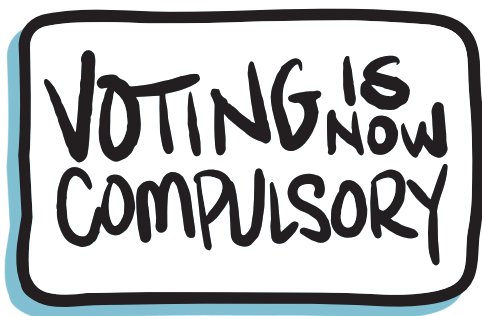




Local Government elections



Your vote must be received by
2pm on Tuesday 25 October 2022

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Information

There are 2 elections being held for Kentish Council:

- » 9 Councillors – 10 candidates
- » Mayor – 1 candidate (no ballot required)
- » Deputy Mayor – 3 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 2026.

Questions? Call **1800 801 701**

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

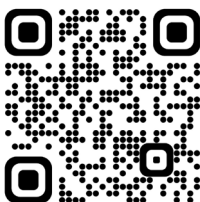
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**2pm Tuesday
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**Don't delay – late votes
won't be counted!**

Scan for the online version of this booklet containing candidate web links where provided, or go to:
www.tec.tas.gov.au/candidates



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 in alphabetical order but the names on the ballot papers are rotated.

The online version of this booklet contains web links where provided by candidates.

2. Record your 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.**



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 the Kentish Council office.



*Statements are reproduced substantially as supplied by candidates.

BLENKHORN, Rodney

Candidate for councillor, deputy mayor



The past 8 years I have represented the issues of this community. I am a small business operator and understand the pressures of surviving in the current climate. I have established contacts with state and federal representatives.

I will look forward and support opportunities for our youth to develop into the future. I have put many considered motions forward on behalf of the community for council debate. I strongly support our current sharing arrangement with Latrobe and its proven cost savings to residents. Voting for me as councillor and deputy mayor gives you a strong voice at the table.

CASSIDY, Linda

Candidate for councillor



As a councillor, I have represented residents & rate payers for 8 years. I have listened & advocated for community lead initiatives over this period & if given the opportunity through your vote, I will continue to draw on my experience & insights to ensure Kentish continues to prosper. It is pleasing to see new families & enterprises choosing to live & work in the municipality. I feel local government should lead by example, welcoming a 'can do' attitude, with the aim of supporting residents, businesses & enterprises to flourish through hard work & dedication.

DICKINSON, Phil

Candidate for councillor



[web link](#)

A Sheffield resident and farmer, I bring to Council experience in the Kentish community as a volunteer ambulance officer and as an SES member for more than a decade. As the former district commissioner for Scouts Tasmania Mersey district, I established the Kentish scout group and was its first group leader.

My experience in financial management and governance include directorships of very successful multinational companies in the computer industry from startup, as well as as a member of the Scouts Tasmania branch executive committee which is responsible for scouting statewide.

HABERLE, Kate

Candidate for councillor, mayor



It has been a privilege and an honour to represent the Kentish municipality as a councillor for the past 8 years. I have lived in Kentish for 42 years during which time I have taught at the Sheffield School. I am married to Michael and we have 4 children and 10 grandchildren.

I support resource sharing with Latrobe as this has enabled Kentish to retain its identity and uniqueness. I believe I have the skills, enthusiasm, experience and commitment to fulfil the role of councillor and mayor to ensure Kentish remains a thriving, economically sustainable, attractive and liveable municipality.

HAIGH, Simone

Candidate for councillor



I have lived in Sheffield for over 10 years. Over the last 20 years I have worked for Ambulance Tasmania as a volunteer through to my current role as an intensive care paramedic. Over the last 8 years I have been a director on the board of the Australasian College of Paramedicine where I have gained experience in corporate governance. In 2018 I helped initiate a Senate inquiry into the mental health of first responders. I volunteer as a leader in scouts and participate in dog sports in my spare time.

HUGHES, Terry

Candidate for councillor



Living in Kentish all my life, married to Maree with 2 sons and 5 grandchildren. I served on Council 2014-18 and delegate on various committees. I have served in several organisations in Kentish - U3A president 2018-19, Kentish Men's Shed secretary 2014-19, president 2019-22, NW delegate Tasmanian Men's Shed Assoc 2020-22.

If elected I will work to ensure the best outcome for our growing Kentish region with new developments in tourism, recreation and cottage industries for long term work. I will listen to your views for best for Kentish. Please vote 1.

LANE, Penny

Candidate for councillor, deputy mayor



Hello, my name is Penny Lane and I am asking for your vote this local election as councillor and deputy mayor. I have enjoyed being part of Kentish Council, representing you for the last 14 years. I am certain that the next term will require strong leadership, enabling our municipality to continue being sustainable, offering services and forward thinking solutions to enhance our region; I am ready for that challenge.

Now is the time to be strategic and consider the big picture - Kentish remaining a strong united community. Thank you for your number 1 vote.

RICHARDS, Phillip

Candidate for councillor, deputy mayor



I would like to thank the community for the opportunity to have been a voice for them over the last 4 years. As a farmer I have a unique understanding of the issues that face our rural communities and will advocate for more weed control which is becoming a major issue in Kentish. Planning and roads are also issues of consideration.

If elected as deputy mayor I would work hard to support the mayor as I do not support amalgamation or boundary realignment but I do support resource sharing with Latrobe Council. Please consider me for your number 1 vote for councillor and deputy mayor.

SIMMONS, Bob

Candidate for councillor



I wish to be a candidate for election as a member of the Kentish Council on the basis of my 38 years as resident of the community.

I have lived and worked on a farm in west Kentish and feel that as a rural community there is great need for representation on Council from someone who has knowledge and an extra voice for agriculture.

THWAITES, Don

Candidate for councillor



Thank you for your support in the past. I would like to continue to serve the Kentish community as a councillor, with your ongoing support.

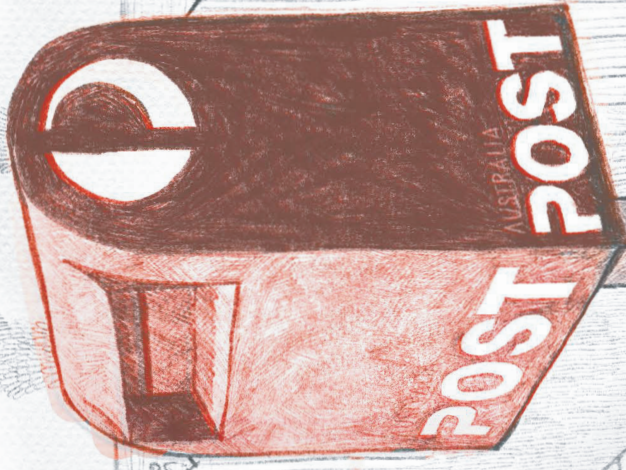
I have had long involvement with Council and will strive to continue the good work, close representation and consultation practices I have helped establish. A healthy community and environment will always be my main priorities as a councillor. I am a strong team player and believe that councillors and Kentish residents can work together to build an even more vibrant and liveable rural community. With compulsory voting now here, look for team players.

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