

# VEEC

## **ELECTION REPORT**

**Hobsons Bay City Council**

**General Elections 2012**

**To Hobsons Bay Council**

Pursuant to clause 14 of Schedule 3 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, I submit this report on the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012.

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## Introduction

On Tuesday, 24 July 2012, the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) was appointed by Hobsons Bay City Council to conduct the elections. Election day was specified as the fourth Saturday in October — Saturday, 27 October 2012.

### About the Victorian Electoral Commission

The VEC is an independent and impartial statutory authority established under the *Electoral Act 2002*. The VEC conducts Victorian State elections, local council elections, certain statutory elections, commercial and community elections, conducts boundary reviews, electoral representation and subdivision reviews, and maintains the Victorian electoral enrolment register. The VEC’s electoral education and research programs work to engage and inform all Victorians who are entitled to enrol and vote in the democratic process.

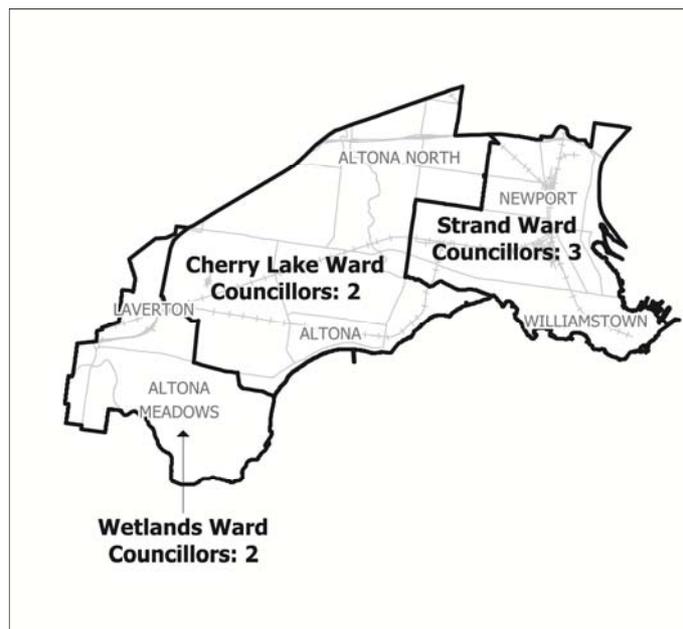
Although the VEC has a statutory responsibility to provide enrolment information for the preparation and maintenance of the municipal voters roll, the VEC is not the statutory service provider for local council elections. The VEC’s local council election services are offered pursuant to clause 1(2)(c) of Schedule 2 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act), whereby councils may appoint an electoral commission to conduct their election. The VEC has worked in partnership with Victorian local councils to develop its local council election services over the last 20 years and has conducted all local council General Elections in Victoria since 2004.

The Acting Electoral Commissioner is Ms Liz Williams.

### About the City of Hobsons Bay

The City of Hobsons Bay is a subdivided municipality comprised of three wards with a total of seven councillors.

Prior to the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012, the municipality was comprised of seven wards with a total of seven councillors. The electoral structure was altered by an order of the Minister for Local Government, to take effect at the election.



## The election

Voting in the elections closed at 6.00pm on Friday, 26 October 2012. The key dates involved with the elections were:

Exhibition roll date	Thursday, 19 July 2012
Roll exhibition period	Monday, 27 August 2012 to Friday, 31 August 2012
Entitlement date	4.00pm on Friday, 31 August 2012
Certification of the municipal voters roll	Thursday, 20 September 2012
Opening of nominations	Thursday, 20 September 2012
Close of nominations	12 noon on Tuesday, 25 September 2012
Close of statements and photographs	12 noon on Wednesday, 26 September 2012
Close of indication of preferences	12 noon on Friday, 28 September 2012
Dispatch of ballot material	Tuesday, 9 October 2012 to Thursday, 11 October 2012
Close of voting	6.00pm on Friday, 26 October 2012
Election day	Saturday, 27 October 2012
Declaration of the results	6.00pm on Monday, 29 October 2012

## Municipal voters roll

The VEC was engaged by Hobsons Bay City Council to prepare the municipal voters roll. The VEC appointed Mr Paul Strickland as the Registrar for the preparation of the municipal voters roll.

The Registrar was responsible for merging the voters roll, preparing the exhibition roll, correcting any duplicates, errors or omissions identified during the production of the roll, preparing the roll for certification by the Chief Executive Officer, and finally, providing the roll to the Chief Executive Officer for certification and to the Returning Officer for the purposes of conducting the election.

## Composition of the roll

The Act specifies that the municipal voters roll for a council election is formed by combining two separate lists of voters:

- 1. The Victorian Electoral Commissioner's (EC's) List of State electors.**  
The EC's List made up 89.32 percent of the Hobsons Bay City Council municipal voters roll.
- 2. The Chief Executive Officer's (CEO's) List of council entitled voters.**  
The CEO's List made up 10.68 percent of the Hobsons Bay City Council municipal voters roll.

### **Exhibition of the roll**

The exhibition roll was on display at nine locations from Monday, 27 August 2012 to 4.00pm on Friday, 31 August 2012. The display locations nominated by Hobsons Bay City Council were:

Altona Library, 123 Queen Street, Altona

Altona Meadows Library and Learning Centre, Central Square Shopping Centre, 2 Newham Way, Altona Meadows

Altona North Community Library, Corner Millers and McArthurs Road, Altona North

Hobsons Bay Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona

Hobsons Bay Visitor Information Centre, Corner of Syme Street and Nelson Place, Williamstown

Laverton Post Office, 12 Aviation Road, Laverton

Newport Library, 13 Mason Street, Newport

Seabrook Community Centre, 15 Truganina Avenue, Seabrook

South Kingsville Community Centre, 43 Paxton Street, South Kingsville

### **Entitlement date**

The entitlement date for the elections was at 4.00pm on Friday, 31 August 2012. After the entitlement date, any updates to the roll received from Council were applied to the roll. The roll was also updated to reflect any changes to the Victorian electoral roll since the production of the exhibition roll.

### **Certification of the roll**

On Thursday, 20 September 2012, in accordance with section 24(6) of the Act, the Chief Executive Officer of Hobsons Bay City Council certified that the municipal voters roll had been prepared in accordance with the Act. The certified voters roll was then made available for public inspection at the Council's offices until 30 days after the election.

A copy of the voters roll on CD was also available to each candidate after signing the declaration on the nomination form. The declaration requires each candidate to only use the roll for the purpose of conducting their election campaign and it — along with any copies made of it — must be destroyed or returned (to the Chief Executive Officer) within 30 days of the declaration of the result of the election.

A total of eight amendments to the certified roll were identified after the entitlement date of 4.00pm on Friday, 31 August 2012. These amendments were made in accordance with section 24A of the Act, and were approved by the Chief Executive Officer of Hobsons Bay City Council and the Returning Officer for the elections.

## Roll statistics

The municipal voters roll for the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012 was comprised of 63,870 voters, including:

Ward	EC's List	CEO's List	Total
Cherry Lake	16,099	1,950	18,049
Strand	23,198	2,750	25,948
Wetlands	17,757	2,116	19,873
<b>Total</b>	<b>57,054</b>	<b>6,816</b>	<b>63,870</b>

## Advertising and communications

### Public notices

The Act requires the following public notices to be published at prescribed times during the election timeline:

- a notice of entitlement;
- a notice of election;
- voting details advertisement; and
- a notice of the results of the election.

Hobsons Bay City Council also required a voting reminder notice, which was published in addition to the statutory requirements.

The newspapers nominated by Hobsons Bay City Council were the *Hobsons Bay Leader*, *Maribyrnong/Hobsons Bay Weekly* and *Williamstown Altona Laverton Star*.

A sample of each public notice is shown in **Appendix 1**.

## Appearance schedule of public notices

Notice	Newspaper	Publication date
Notice of entitlement	<i>Hobsons Bay Leader</i> <i>Maribyrnong/Hobsons Bay Weekly</i> <i>Williamstown Altona Laverton Star</i>	Tuesday, 7 August 2012 Wednesday, 15 August 2012 Tuesday, 14 August 2012
Notice of election	<i>Hobsons Bay Leader</i> <i>Maribyrnong/Hobsons Bay Weekly</i> <i>Williamstown Altona Laverton Star</i>	Wednesday, 5 September 2012 Tuesday, 4 September 2012 Tuesday, 4 September 2012
Voting details	<i>Hobsons Bay Leader</i> <i>Maribyrnong/Hobsons Bay Weekly</i> <i>Williamstown Altona Laverton Star</i>	Wednesday, 3 October 2012 Tuesday, 2 October 2012 Tuesday, 2 October 2012
Reminder notice	<i>Hobsons Bay Leader</i> <i>Maribyrnong/Hobsons Bay Weekly</i> <i>(additional)</i> <i>Williamstown Altona Laverton Star</i> <i>(additional)</i>	Wednesday, 17 October 2012 Tuesday, 16 October 2012 Tuesday, 23 October 2012 Tuesday, 16 October 2012 Tuesday, 23 October 2012
Notice of results	<i>Hobsons Bay Leader</i> <i>Maribyrnong/Hobsons Bay Weekly</i> <i>Williamstown Altona Laverton Star</i>	Wednesday, 14 November 2012 Tuesday, 13 November 2012 Tuesday, 13 November 2012

### Statewide advertising

The VEC conducted a statewide advertising campaign to complement the statutory advertising campaign. This program concentrated on maximising the promotion of local council elections across the key areas of enrolment and voting. Coverage included major metropolitan and regional newspapers, metropolitan and regional radio, ethnic print and radio media, and social media.

The VEC also ran interactive advertisements on Facebook. These advertisements targeted geographic areas as well as demographic segments of the population that typically have low participation rates. In addition, Google search advertising was used to direct enquiries to VEC information online.

### VEC website

All information and notices regarding the election featured on the VEC's website through a dedicated webpage specific to Council ([vec.vic.gov.au/hobsonsbayelection.html](http://vec.vic.gov.au/hobsonsbayelection.html)). Content was updated at each phase of the election cycle and included information about:

- enrolment;
- inspecting and objecting to errors in voters lists;
- nominating for election;
- applying to redirect a ballot pack;
- requesting a replacement ballot pack; and
- election results.

## **Placemats**

The VEC prepared laminated, A3-sized election information guides (placemats) for the Council's reception and telephone staff to use when answering questions from the public. The first placemat related to the enrolment period and was provided to Council on Wednesday, 20 June 2012. The second, which replaced the first and related to voting during the election period, was provided in the week beginning Monday, 17 September 2012. The electronic files of both placemats were also provided to the Council.

## **Accommodating voters with special needs**

The VEC worked with a number of partners to provide suitable communication services for blind and low vision voters, voters with disability, and culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) voters.

### ***Blind and low vision services***

The VEC worked with Vision Australia and Blind Citizens Australia to provide election information to blind and low vision voters. This included making large print and audio files available for download, 'BrowseAloud' functionality of the VEC website, and assisted reading equipment at Vision Australia centres across the State. Braille and large print ballot material was also available on request.

### ***CALD services***

The VEC engaged the Victorian Interpreting and Language Services' (VITS) Language Link to provide a telephone interpreting service for multi-language telephone enquiries. The VEC advertised direct lines for 20 languages other than English and a general line for all other languages. See *Ballot material* for information on the VEC's multi-language voting instruction leaflet.

## **Media liaison**

The VEC's media liaison program principally featured staged media releases aimed to highlight key milestones during the election timetable and capitalise on existing general news coverage. The VEC organised two media briefing sessions for early September. Media outlets from across Victoria were invited to attend, either in person at the VEC's head office in Melbourne or they could dial in to a conference call.

Media outlets were provided with a media information booklet that outlined the timetable, key messages, and the VEC's head office media contacts. The VEC's communication team supported the Returning Officer who was the primary media spokesperson for the Council's election.

## Media releases relating to Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012

Headline	Release date
Enrolling to vote at the 2012 Hobsons Bay City Council elections	Wednesday, 8 August 2012
Cut off date for enrolment fast approaching	Friday, 24 August 2012
Call for candidates to stand for Hobsons Bay City Council	Monday, 10 September 2012
Postal elections for Hobsons Bay City Council	Tuesday, 11 September 2012
Ballot papers reaching voters this week	Monday, 8 October 2012
Voting closing for Hobsons Bay City Council elections	Monday, 22 October 2012

### Telephone enquiry service

The Returning Officer operated a local telephone enquiry service from Wednesday, 19 October 2012 until the close of voting at 6.00pm on Friday, 26 October 2012. The types of calls received were relating to:

- voting entitlements and compulsory voting obligations;
- enrolment questions;
- ballot pack had not been received;
- ballot material was spoilt or destroyed, so replacement ballot material was required;
- a voter advising that he or she was overseas or interstate; and
- queries regarding the content of the ballot pack.

The telephone enquiry service was supplemented by an overflow call centre at the VEC's head office. The overflow call centre received calls that were directly to the VEC's head office line (131 VEC or 131 832) and diverted calls where the Returning Officer's telephone enquiry service lines were busy.

**Figure 1** shows the number of telephone calls that were recorded by the Election Office telephone enquiry service and those received at the overflow call centre that were tagged as relating to Council during their operation.

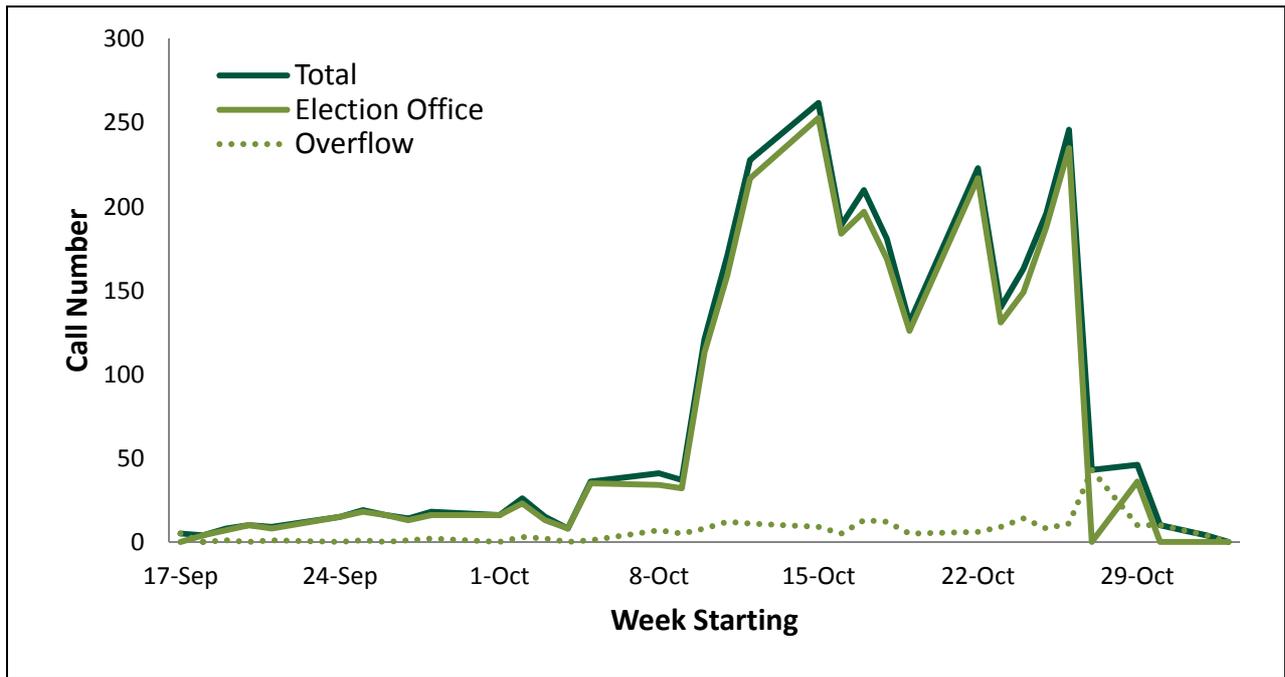


Figure 1. Telephone enquiries received by the Returning Officer telephone enquiry service and the overflow call centre that were tagged as relating to Hobsons Bay City Council (by date).

Interpreter services for non-English language speakers were available through VITS. The election office for the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012 received 24 calls utilising this service.

### Returning Officer

In accordance with clause 1(2)(c) of Schedule 2 of the Act, the VEC appointed Rose McVicar as the Returning Officer for the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012. Ms McVicar was selected from the VEC’s group of fully trained senior election officials.

### Deputy Returning Officer

In accordance with clause 1(3) of Schedule 2 of the Act, the Returning Officer appointed Robyn Curtis as Deputy Returning Officer for the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012.

### Election office

The election office was provided by the Council and was located at Hobsons Bay Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona. The office opened to the public on Wednesday, 19 September 2012 and closed at 5.00pm on Monday, 31 October 2012. The business hours for the election office were 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday, except Thursday, 25 October 2012 (9.00am to 8.00pm) and Friday, 26 October 2012 (9.00am to 6.00pm). The election office was open on Monday, 29 October 2012 for any late election enquiries.

## Candidates

### Candidate information

The Returning Officer conducted an information session for prospective candidates at 7.00pm on Wednesday, 19 September 2012. The session was conducted at Meeting Room 3, Hobsons Bay Civic Centre, 115 Civic Drive, Altona.

A candidate information kit was prepared and made available to prospective candidates at the information session, from the election office, and by request over the telephone. The kit included:

- a copy of the VEC's *Candidate Handbook* and *Scrutineer Handbook*;
- a nomination form;
- a form for the appointment and declaration of a scrutineer;
- a form for submitting a candidate statement and indication of preferences;
- sample candidate statement leaflet;
- a pamphlet produced by Local Government Victoria with information on candidates' legal obligations;
- a sample form for the election campaign donation return; and,
- key election dates.

### Online candidate helper

An online candidate helper was available on the VEC's website from Friday, 14 September 2012. The helper allowed prospective candidates to pre-populate their nomination and candidate statement lodgement forms and, once a ballot order was determined, their indication of preferences lodgement form. Forms completed online could be saved and/or printed before lodging each form with the Returning Officer (in person).

A high number of candidates completed their forms through the online candidate helper. A unique barcode included on the pre-populated form could be scanned by the Returning Officer and data uploaded into the election management system to save candidates time when processing these forms at the election office.

### Nominations

Nominations opened at 9.00am on Thursday, 20 September 2012 and closed at 12 noon on Tuesday, 25 September 2012. The Returning Officer received 42 nominations (listed below).

The Returning Officer was responsible for the receipt of each candidate's \$250 nomination fee. The nomination fee was held in a special bank account for the duration of the election period. The nomination fee was refunded to each candidate that was elected and/or received at least four percent of the total first preference votes ((schedule 3 s 24(b)) see 'Post-election activities').

Following the close of nominations, a ballot draw was conducted to determine the order of candidates' names on the ballot paper. The draw was conducted using the VEC's randomised computer animated ballot draw application.

The final candidates in ballot paper order were as follows:

Cherry Lake	Strand	Wetlands
DANIELS, Lynne	ALTAIR, Angela	MARSICH, Carl
LONG, Brian	ASSAF, Olga	SAGONA, John
GUROVSKA, Menka	SERGI, Michael	GATES, Colleen
DOYRAN, Sinem	ELLIOTT, Chantelle	GRIGOROVITCH, Luba
WILSON, Sandra	TEHAN, Bill	HOGG, John
DAVIES, Aaron	CEFALA, Antonio	SOUIED, Khalid
PRICE, Jason	KAMAREDDINE, Abdul	EL-HASSAN, Talal
LALOR, Patrick	MILLER, Susan	THOMAS, Anna
RICE, Diana	TRIPODI, Oliver	SOLIN, Rodney
SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth	ALAMASSI, Thuraya	KENT, Charmaine
BRIFFA, Tony	MORGAN, Paul	DUGGAN, Robyne
SINGLETON, Dwayne	HOGG, Diana Dora	
RAFFOUL, Michael	MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese	
MCCURLEY, Cameron	ASSAF, Wajde Wade	
	HEMPHILL, Peter	
	MARINIS, Jim	

#### ***Withdrawn or retired candidates***

The Act provides for candidates to withdraw their candidacy prior to the close of nominations or retire from the election after nominations have closed. Strict criteria applies to candidates who wish to retire from the election as their retirement must either leave the election uncontested or be granted by an order from the Magistrates' Court of Victoria.

The following candidate withdrew or retired from the election:

- Hassan ALI (Withdrew)

#### **Candidates' statements and indications of preferences**

The period of the lodgement of candidates' 150 word personal statements and photographs closed at 12 noon on Wednesday, 26 September 2012. The period for the lodgement of candidates' indications of preferences closed at 12 noon on Friday, 28 September 2012.

The candidates' statements, photographs, and indications of preferences were published in a leaflet attached to the ballot paper in the same order as the candidates' names appeared on the ballot paper. Where a candidate did not submit a statement, photograph or indication of preferences this was clearly indicated on the leaflet.

Record of submission of candidates' statements, photographs, and indications of preferences				
Ward	Candidates	Candidate statement	Photograph	Indication of preferences
Cherry Lake	14	14	14	14
Strand	16	16	16	16
Wetlands	11	11	11	11

## Ballot material

### Ballot pack contents

Each ballot pack for the 2012 elections contained a ballot paper, candidate statement leaflet, multi-language voting instruction leaflet, ballot paper envelope, and a reply-paid envelope.

#### *Ballot paper*

The ballot papers produced for the elections were printed on marked security paper. The ballot papers listed the candidates in ballot paper order as determined at the ballot draws for each ward. The ballot paper was joined to the candidate statement leaflet by perforations, making it easy for the voter to remove and return to the Returning Officer in the supplied envelopes.

A sample of each ballot paper is provided in **Appendix 2**.

#### *Candidate statement leaflets*

The leaflet included information to voters about the election and the personal statements lodged by candidates accompanied by their photograph and indication of preferences (where applicable). The candidates were listed in ballot paper order. Standardised formatting applied to the printing of each personal statement.

A sample of each candidate statement leaflet is provided in **Appendix 3**.

#### *Multi-language voting instruction leaflet*

Council requested that a multi-language voting instruction leaflet accompany the ballot material mailed to voters. The leaflet contained voting instructions in 20 languages, other than English, and the phone numbers for the telephone interpreting service.

#### *Ballot paper envelope*

The VEC provided an opaque ballot paper envelope for the return of each voter's completed ballot paper. The ballot paper envelope featured a declaration flap, on which the name of the Council, the ward, the voter's name and entitlement address (except for silent electors), the voter's postal address (if different) was printed, and the barcode and voter entitlement code to assist with marking the voter off the voters roll. The declaration flap included the space for the voter to sign and date the declaration to certify that they were the voter named on the envelope, they had enclosed their completed ballot paper in the envelope, and they had not already voted in the elections.

Additionally the name of the Council and ward was printed below the envelope flap to assist in recognising the council/ward should the flap have been removed by the voter or during the extraction process.

### ***Reply-paid envelope***

The reply-paid envelope was designed to securely allow pre-sorted return of the ballot paper envelope. The reply-paid envelope could be posted at any Australia Post post box in Australia. Coloured thumbprints matching the colour of the ballot paper were printed on the outside of the reply-paid envelope to assist in identifying any missorted mail.

## **Voting**

### **Redirection of ballot material**

The Returning Officer received three applications for ballot material redirection by the close of redirections on roll certification day.

### **Early votes**

The Returning Officer issued 91 early votes before the general mail out of ballot packs.

### **General mail out**

Ballot packs for all voters enrolled in all wards on the Hobsons Bay City Council municipal voters roll were lodged with Australia Post and mailed out at random between Tuesday, 9 October and Thursday, 11 October 2012. Ballot packs were posted to no more than 35 percent of voters on any one day during the mail out period. Of the 63,870 voters on the roll, there were four voters with incomplete postal details or deceased since the entitlement date.

### Ballot packs lodged with Australia Post per day during the mail out period

Ward	Tuesday, 9 October 2012	Wednesday, 10 October 2012	Thursday, 11 October 2012	Total
Cherry Lake	6,136	6,136	5,775	18,047
Strand	8,822	8,822	8,302	25,946
Wetlands	6,757	6,757	6,359	19,873
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,715</b>	<b>21,715</b>	<b>20,436</b>	<b>63,866</b>

#### Replacement votes

The Returning Officer issued 1,214 replacement ballot packs. Replacement votes were issued to voters who notified the Returning Officer that their ballot material had been lost, spoilt, destroyed, or not received.

#### Unenrolled declaration votes

The Returning Officer issued 14 unenrolled declaration votes. Unenrolled declaration votes were issued to persons whose name could not be found on the Council municipal voters roll and who believed that they were entitled to be enrolled for this election. The ballot pack included a special ballot paper envelope with declaration flap.

When the unenrolled declaration vote was returned, the information on the declaration flap was sent to Council and the VEC to check the person's voting entitlement. Only once their entitlement was confirmed could the returned ballot paper envelope be admitted to the count by the Returning Officer.

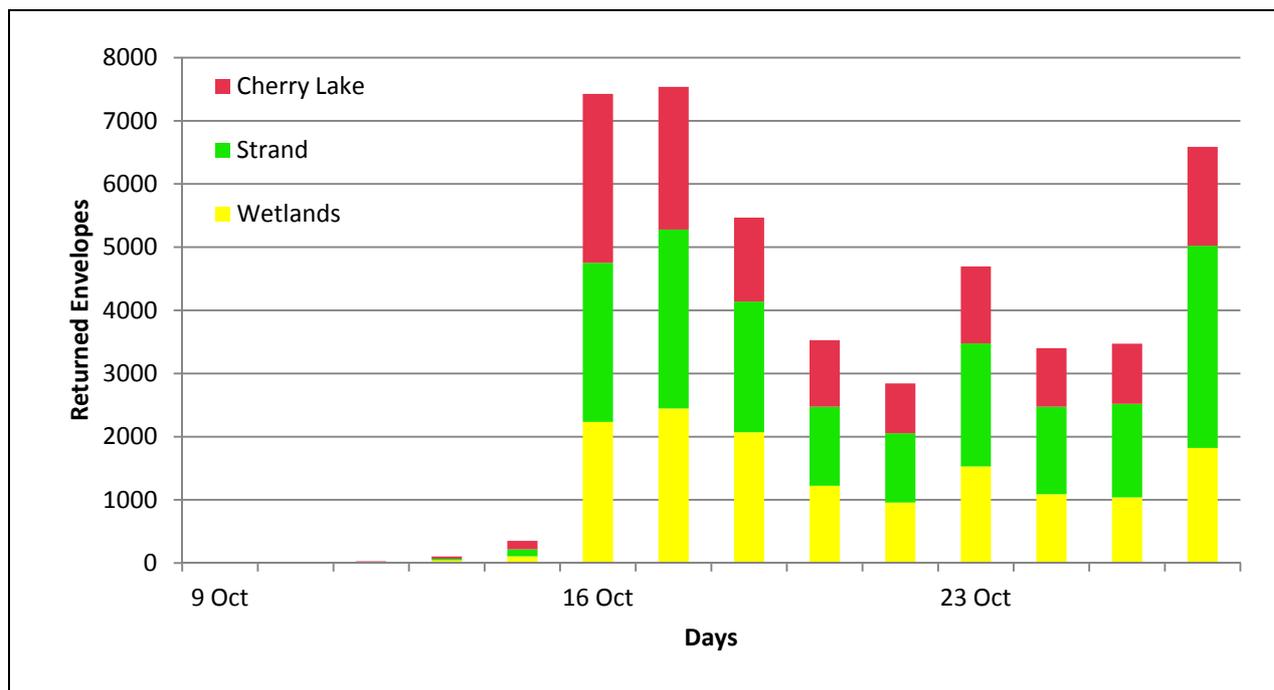
#### Return of ballot paper envelopes

The VEC established a reply paid service through Australia Post to ensure mail was pre-sorted on return. Returned mail could be collected or delivered from a postal facility or distribution centre close to the election office. Ballot paper envelopes could also be hand-delivered directly to the election office.

The Returning Officer received 45,444 returned ballot paper envelopes by the close of voting at 6.00 pm on Friday, 26 October 2012. Each returned ballot paper envelope was progressively recorded, checked for the presence of a signature, and marked off the Council roll. The returned ballot paper envelopes were stored securely until the close of voting.

Any ballot paper envelopes not signed by the voter or, in the case of unenrolled declaration votes, not accepted by the Council and/or VEC, were set aside and not admitted to the count.

**Figure 2** records the return of ballot paper envelopes from the mail out period until the close of voting at 6.00 pm on Friday, 26 October 2012.



**Figure 2.** Returned ballot paper envelopes from Wednesday, 10 October to Friday, 26 October 2012.

The return of ballot paper envelopes can also be broken down into the categories of voters based on their entitlement as shown in the table on the next page. The figures include all ballot paper envelopes marked as returned whether or not they proceeded to further scrutiny.

Ward	Entitlement	Turnout (%)
Cherry Lake	State enrolled voters (enrolled through section 12 of the Act)	
	— aged 18 – 69 years old on election day	77.8%
	— aged 70 years and over on election day	71.2%
	Council enrolled voters (enrolled through sections 13-16 of the Act)	48.2%
	<b>Ward total</b>	<b>73.3%</b>
Strand	State enrolled voters (enrolled through section 12 of the Act)	
	— aged 18 – 69 years old on election day	74.2%
	— aged 70 years and over on election day	67.1%
	Council enrolled voters (enrolled through sections 13-16 of the Act)	45.8%
	<b>Ward total</b>	<b>70.4%</b>
Wetlands	State enrolled voters (enrolled through section 12 of the Act)	
	— aged 18 – 69 years old on election day	77.8%
	— aged 70 years and over on election day	73.2%
	Council enrolled voters (enrolled through sections 13-16 of the Act)	52.9%
	<b>Ward total</b>	<b>74.8%</b>

A further 2,334 ballot paper envelopes were received in the week following the close of voting. These ballot paper envelopes were securely stored and were not opened by the Returning Officer. Ballot papers returned after the close of voting cannot be admitted to the count.

By the close of voting at 6.00 pm on Friday, 26 October 2012, 1,329 ballot packs had been returned to the Returning Officer as return-to-sender mail. Most of this mail was due to the addressee having left the address.

## **Results**

### **Extraction**

The extraction of ballot papers occurred at Hobsons Bay Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona from 9.00am on Saturday, 27 October 2012.

The process of removing flaps containing voters' details and extracting ballot papers from the envelopes was structured to maintain voter anonymity and ensure ballot paper accountability.

### **Computer count**

The election results for all wards were determined using the proportional representation counting method. The VEC conducted a computer count of ballot papers at Victoria University (Newport Campus), 80 Champion Road, Newport.

An information session on the computer count process was held at 7.30pm on Thursday, 25 October 2012 at Meeting Room 3, Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona. The information session provided candidates and their scrutineers with an explanation of the VEC's computer count application.

Details of the first preferences for each ward are shown in **Schedule 2**.

### **Provisional results**

The provisional results were published on the VEC's website on Sunday, 28 October 2012.

### **Declaration of results**

The results of the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012 were declared by the Returning Officer at 6.00pm on Monday, 29 October 2012 at the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona.

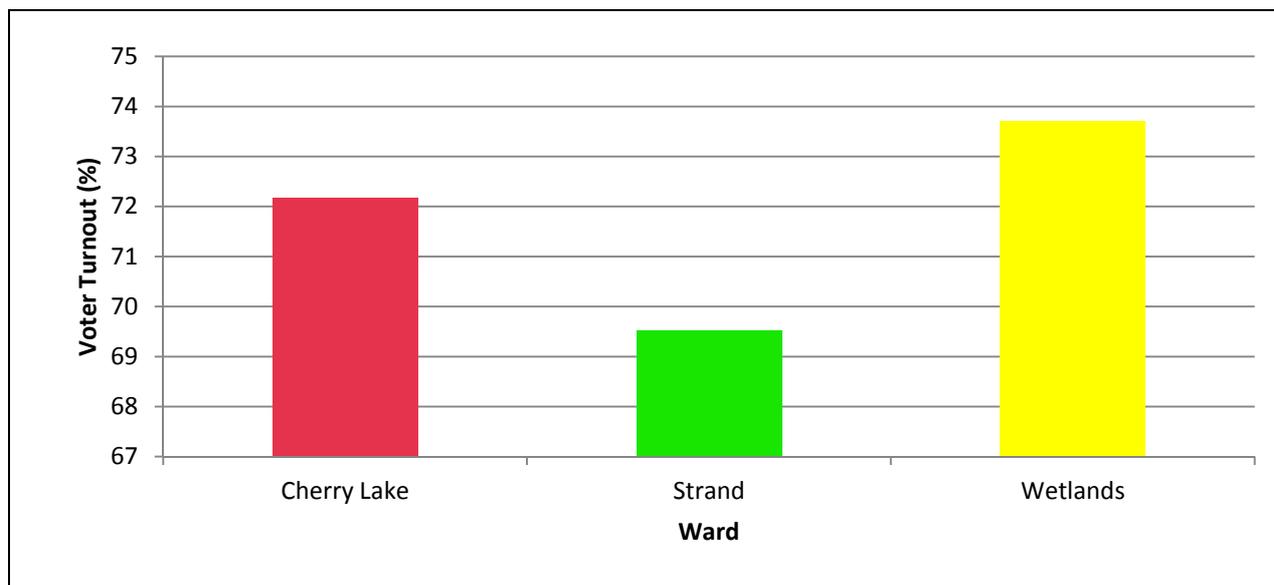
The VEC website was updated to reflect the elected candidates following the declaration.

Elected candidates		
Ward	Name	Order
Cherry Lake	BRIFFA, Tony WILSON, Sandra	1 <sup>st</sup> elected 2 <sup>nd</sup> elected
Strand	ALTAIR, Angela HEMPHILL, Peter MORGAN, Paul	1 <sup>st</sup> elected 2 <sup>nd</sup> elected 3 <sup>rd</sup> elected
Wetlands	GRIGOROVITCH, Luba GATES, Colleen	1 <sup>st</sup> elected 2 <sup>nd</sup> elected

### Voter turnout

As a percentage of the total enrolment for the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012, the number of ballot papers counted (formal and informal) was 71.57 percent. This is compared with 73.11 percent at the Council’s last General Elections in November 2008.

**Figure 3** records the voter turnout for each ward.



**Figure 3.** Voter turnout, by ward, for the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012.

### Informality

The informal voting rate was 5.70 percent, compared with 7.57 percent at the Council’s last General Elections in November 2008. **Figure 4** records the rate of informal voting for each ward.

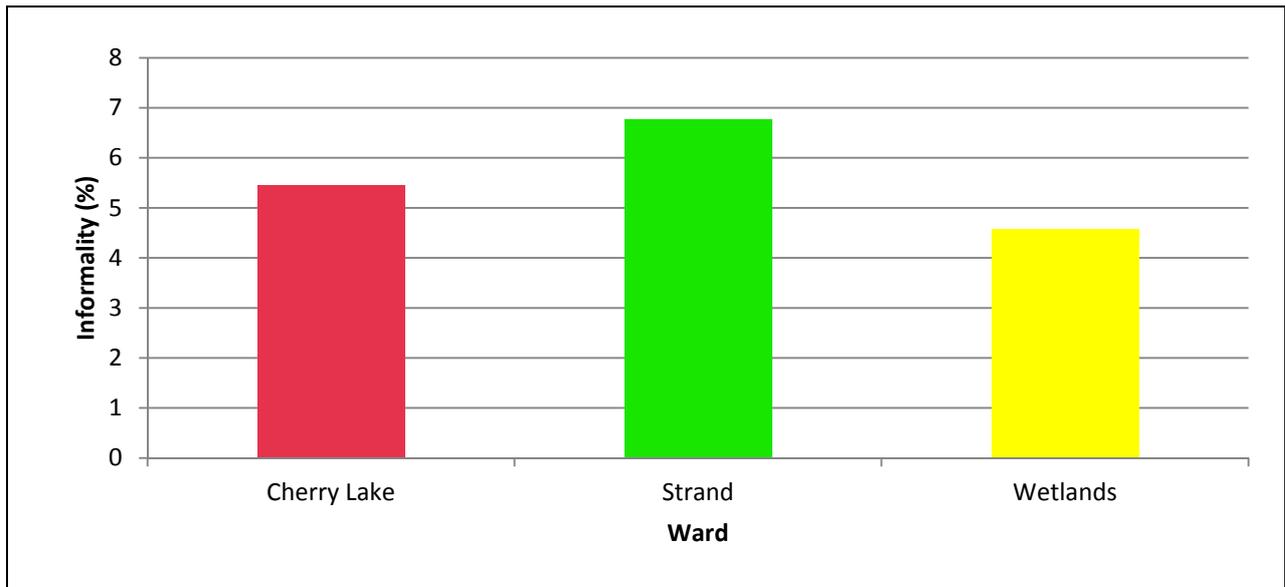


Figure 4. Informal voting rate by ward for Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections.

## Complaints

### Types of complaints

At local council elections, complaints generally fall into two broad categories:

1. **The administration of the election.**

Complaints about the conduct of the election and services to voters.

2. **A possible breach of the Act.**

Complaints about the conduct of candidates and other participants in the election.

The majority of complaints fall in category two, often where a complainant is alleging an inappropriate or illegal action by another person or group to do with the election.

### Complaints process

The VEC operated a streamlined complaints process that had been developed in consultation with local councils and enforcement agencies. The process required complaints to be lodged, in writing, with the Returning Officer who then forwarded the complaint through to the VEC's head office in Melbourne.

Each complaint was evaluated and an appropriate course of action was determined. Complaints alleging a breach of the Act, for example, were forwarded to the Local Government Investigations and Compliance Inspectorate. If possible, the VEC sent an acknowledgement to the complainant and the person(s) or group(s) that were the subject of the complaint to inform them of the action that had been taken. Where a complaint was forwarded to an enforcement agency, the VEC's involvement with the complaint ceased at the time it was forwarded as the VEC and the Returning Officer did not have jurisdiction on the matter under the Act.

Complaints about the VEC’s services or the behaviour or actions of VEC staff and election officials was the responsibility of the VEC. In these cases, the VEC investigated the matter and determined the most appropriate response.

The Returning Officer for the elections received six written complaints. The nature of the complaints are detailed below:

Written complaints received by Returning Officer		
Date	Nature of the complaint	Action taken by VEC
Tuesday, 2 October 2012	Allegation of misconduct by a candidate attending the election office	Issue was investigated and a response was provided to the complainant
Tuesday, 2 October 2012	Allegation of misleading or deceptive statements	Referred to the Local Government Investigations and Compliance Inspectorate
Friday, 12 October 2012	Allegation of misleading or deceptive statements	Referred to the Local Government Investigations and Compliance Inspectorate
Tuesday, 16 October 2012	Concerns regarding the behaviour of a candidate	Referred to the Local Government Investigations and Compliance Inspectorate
Thursday, 18 October 2012	Allegation of misleading or deceptive statements	Referred to the Local Government Investigations and Compliance Inspectorate
Wednesday, 24 October 2012	Complaint regarding missing or undelivered ballot packs	Issue was investigated and a response was provided to the complainant

## Post-election activities

### Storage of election material

All ballot papers and forms used at the election were stored securely at the election office and sealed in security boxes during transit to and from the extraction and counting venues. Election materials were delivered to the Council in archive boxes in the week ending Friday, 2 November 2012 for safe and secret storage by the Chief Executive Officer according to Regulation 114 of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations 2005.

As the VEC has been appointed to conduct compulsory voting enforcement for the Council (see ‘Non-voter follow up’), materials gathered during this process will be returned to the Council at the conclusion of enforcement.

### **Refund of nomination fees**

Nomination fees were refunded between Friday, 23 November 2012 and Tuesday, 27 November 2012 to all candidates who were elected or received at least four percent of the total first preference votes cast at the election. The forfeited nomination fees of 19 candidates were remitted to the Council on Wednesday, 28 November 2012. Nomination fees were forfeited by candidates who did not receive at least four percent of the total first preference votes cast and were not elected, or who withdrew or retired as a candidate in the election.

### **Courts and tribunals**

No applications were lodged for a Municipal Electoral Tribunal inquiry into the election.

### **Non-voter follow up**

The Returning Officer will prepare and certify a list of non-voters and provide this to the prosecution officer.

The VEC has been contracted by Council to conduct compulsory voting enforcement and an appointment of Prosecution Officer has been received. The enforcement process will continue through most of 2013 and will be completed in time for Council to lodge outstanding infringements with the Infringement Court should you decide to do so.

## **Evaluation of services**

The VEC is committed to providing high quality election services to its local council clients. Through the VEC's formal feedback and debriefing program, the VEC is able to gauge its performance and seek advice for future local council election projects.

### **Feedback from the Council**

Ronn Ritchie, the VEC's contract manager for the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012, had ongoing communication with Council officers during the preparation and conduct of the election. On behalf of the VEC, Ron sought feedback from the Council through the VEC's debriefing form.

The Council's feedback included:

Council was pleased with the relationship between Council and the VEC

The efficient process for the voters roll production was commented on

Council considered the conduct of the elections to be professional and efficient

This feedback will be used to assist the evaluation of the VEC's 2012 Local Government General Elections program and for planning future local government engagements.

**Internal debriefing program**

A debriefing session with the Returning Officer was held on Wednesday, 21 November 2012 at Oaks-on-Market, 60 Market Street, Melbourne.

The VEC's senior management group, election planning group, and each business unit met to reflect on the delivery and performance on the VEC's local council election services.

## Schedule 1: Certified record of ballot papers

Cherry Lake Ward	
Issued by the Victorian Electoral Commission	18,617
Printed by the Returning Officer	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,652</b>

Reconciliation	
Issued at general mail out	18,047
Issued to voters in special circumstances (early votes)	32
Issued to voters for replacement votes	356
Issued to unenrolled declaration voters	4
Not issued by Returning Officer	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,652</b>

Strand Ward	
Issued by the Victorian Electoral Commission	26,446
Printed by the Returning Officer	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,481</b>

Reconciliation	
Issued at general mail out	25,946
Issued to voters in special circumstances (early votes)	20
Issued to voters for replacement votes	495
Issued to unenrolled declaration voters	4
Not issued by Returning Officer	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,481</b>

Wetlands Ward	
Issued by the Victorian Electoral Commission	20,378
Printed by the Returning Officer	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,423</b>
Reconciliation	
Issued at general mail out	19,873
Issued to voters in special circumstances (early votes)	39
Issued to voters for replacement votes	363
Issued to unenrolled declaration voters	6
Not issued by Returning Officer	142
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,423</b>

### Certification statement

I certify that this **Schedule 1** of this report on the conduct of the Hobsons Bay City Council General Elections 2012 is a true and correct account of the number of ballot papers used in the election.

Liz Williams  
Acting Electoral Commissioner  
for Rose McVicar, Returning Officer

## Schedule 2: Election results

### Cherry Lake Ward (2 vacancies)

**Enrolment:** 1,8047  
**Formal votes:** 1,2315  
**Informal votes:** 710 (5.45% of the total votes)  
**Voter turnout:** 1,3025 (72.17% of the total enrolment)

Candidate	First preference votes	Percentage
DANIELS, Lynne	703	5.71%
LONG, Brian	496	4.03%
GUROVSKA, Menka	285	2.31%
DOYRAN, Sinem	371	3.01%
WILSON, Sandra	994	8.07%
DAVIES, Aaron	159	1.29%
PRICE, Jason	631	5.12%
LALOR, Patrick	369	3.00%
RICE, Diana	739	6.00%
SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth	898	7.29%
BRIFFA, Tony	4,102	33.31%
SINGLETON, Dwayne	466	3.78%
RAFFOUL, Michael	1,708	13.87%
McCURLEY, Cameron	394	3.20%

## Strand Ward (3 vacancies)

**Enrolment:** 25,947  
**Formal votes:** 16,817  
**Informal votes:** 1,222 (6.77% of the total votes)  
**Voter turnout:** 18,039 (69.52% of the total enrolment)

Candidate	First preference votes	Percentage
ALTAIR, Angela	3,980	23.67%
ASSAF, Olga	217	1.29%
SERGI, Michael	170	1.01%
ELLIOTT, Chantelle	179	1.06%
TEHAN, Bill	1,425	8.47%
CEFALA, Antonio	308	1.83%
KAMAREDDINE, Abdul	671	3.99%
MILLER, Susan	1,083	6.44%
TRIPODI, Oliver	1,367	8.13%
ALAMASSI, Thuraya	186	1.11%
MORGAN, Paul	1,012	6.02%
HOGG, Diana Dora	1,083	6.44%
McKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese	734	4.36%
ASSAF, Wajde Wade	435	2.59%
HEMPHILL, Peter	2,575	15.31%
MARINIS, Jim	1,392	8.28%

## Wetlands Ward (2 vacancies)

**Enrolment:** 19,869  
**Formal votes:** 13,975  
**Informal votes:** 670 (4.57% of the total votes)  
**Voter turnout:** 14,645 (73.71% of the total enrolment)

Candidate	First preference votes	Percentage
MARSICH, Carl	2,062	14.75%
SAGONA, John	463	3.31%
GATES, Colleen	1,575	11.27%
GRIGOROVITCH, Luba	4,509	32.26%
HOGG, John	2,260	16.17%
SOUIED, Khalid	482	3.45%
EL-HASSAN, Talal	278	1.99%
THOMAS, Anna	736	5.27%
SOLIN, Rodney	458	3.28%
KENT, Charmaine	735	5.26%
DUGGAN, Robyne	417	2.98%

Please note:- all percentages have been rounded to two decimal points.

# Appendix 1: Public notices

## Appendix 1.1. Notice of entitlement

### Hobsons Bay City Council Elections

## Your Community Your Opportunity



**Hobsons Bay**  
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**Are you enrolled to vote?**  
You must be on the voters roll by 4.00 pm on Friday, 31 August 2012 to be eligible to vote in October's local council elections.

**You are already enrolled for this election if:**

- you will be 18 years of age or over on Saturday, 27 October 2012; **and**
- you live in the City of Hobsons Bay and you are on the State electoral roll for your present address; or
- you own property in the City of Hobsons Bay, don't live in the municipality, and you are the first or second-named person on the Council's rate records\*; or
- you enrolled through Council for this October's elections.

\*If you own more than one property in the municipality, you may specify to Council the property for which you wish to claim entitlement by 4.00 pm on Friday, 31 August 2012.

**You need to enrol if:**

- you are an Australian citizen aged 18 or over on Saturday, 27 October 2012; **and**
- you are not on the State electoral roll; or
- you have lived at your present residential address for at least a month and have not updated your enrolment details, including any changes to your postal address.

**How do you enrol?**  
Download an enrolment form from [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au), or pick one up at any post office, Centrelink or Australian Electoral Commission office, and return it to the Victorian Electoral Commission by 4.00 pm on Friday, 31 August 2012.

**You may also apply to enrol if:**

- you are a non-Australian citizen who lives and pays rates in the City of Hobsons Bay; or
- you pay rates on a property you occupy the City of Hobsons Bay and have no other voting entitlement within that municipality, e.g. you are a shop tenant and are either named on the Council's rates records to receive the rates notice or have the written consent of the owner to vote in their place; or

- you are a director or company secretary of a corporation that pays rates in the City of Hobsons Bay and have no other voting entitlement within that municipality.

If you meet the above criteria and wish to enrol, contact Hobsons Bay City Council on (03) 9932 1000 for a special enrolment form.

**Checking your enrolment**  
You can check your enrolment details during business hours from Monday, 27 August to 4.00 pm on Friday, 31 August 2012, at the following locations:

- Altona Library, 123 Queen Street, Altona
- Altona Meadows Library and Learning Centre, Central Square Shopping Centre, 2 Newham Way, Altona Meadows
- Altona North Community Library, Corner Millers and McArthurs Road, Altona North
- Hobsons Bay Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona
- Hobsons Bay Visitor Information Centre, Corner of Syme Street and Nelson Place, Williamstown
- Laverton Post Office, 12 Aviation Road, Laverton
- Newport Library, 13 Mason Street, Newport
- Seabrook Community Centre, 15 Truganina Avenue, Seabrook
- South Kingsville Community Centre, 43 Paxton Street, South Kingsville

You can object to errors in the roll until 4.00 pm on Friday, 31 August 2012 by writing to:

Paul Strickland  
Registrar for the Voters Rolls  
Victorian Electoral Commission  
Level 11, 530 Collins Street  
Melbourne Vic 3000

**The roll for council elections closes at  
4.00 pm on Friday, 31 August 2012**

For enquiries in languages other than English call our interpreting service:  
• អង់គ្លេស 9209 0190 Amharic • العربية 9209 0100 Arabic • Босански 9209 0191 Bosnian • ខ្មែរ 9209 0192 Cambodian • 粵語 9209 0101 Chinese (Cantonese)  
• Hrvatski 9209 0102 Croatian • داری 9209 0193 Dari • Dinka 9209 0119 Dinka • Ελληνικά 9209 0103 Greek • Italiano 9209 0104 Italian  
• 한국어 9209 0194 Korean • Македонски 9209 0105 Macedonian • 國語 9209 0106 Chinese (Mandarin) • فارسی 9209 0195 Persian  
• Русский 9209 0196 Russian • Српски 9209 0107 Serbian • Somali 9209 0108 Somali • Español 9209 0109 Spanish • Türkçe 9209 0110 Turkish  
• Việt ngữ 9209 0111 Vietnamese • All other non-English languages 9209 0112

**1300 805 478 or [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au)**

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# Hobsons Bay City Council Elections Your Community Your Opportunity

## Postal elections this October

**If you will be away** if you will be away when ballot packs are mailed, or your address has changed since Friday, 31 August 2012, your ballot pack can be redirected by mailing a request to:

Returning Officer  
Hobsons Bay City Council elections  
Victorian Electoral Commission  
Level 11, 530 Collins St  
Melbourne Victoria 3000

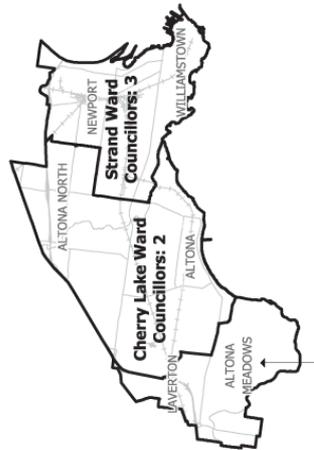
Please include the address for redirection. Each voter requesting redirection must sign the request. Alternatively, you can fax your request to (03) 9277 7126. Your request must be received by Thursday, 20 September 2012.

### How to nominate as a candidate

A completed nomination form, together with a \$250 nomination fee, must be lodged in person with the Returning Officer from 9.00 am on Thursday, 20 September to 12 noon on Tuesday, 25 September 2012 at:

Meeting Rooms 1 and 2, Hobsons Bay Civic Centre,  
115 Civic Parade, Altona

To help reduce waiting time while applications are processed, prospective candidates are encouraged to pre-complete their nomination form online using the 'Candidate Helper' at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au) from Friday, 14 September. This form must then be printed out and lodged with the Returning Officer along with the \$250 nomination fee.



Please note: This council has recently been reviewed and the ward boundaries or structure have changed.

### Voting

Ballot packs will be mailed to enrolled voters from Tuesday, 9 October. Your completed ballot paper must be in the hands of the Returning Officer by 6.00 pm on Friday, 26 October 2012.

For enquiries in languages other than English call our interpreting service:

- Arabic 9209 0108
- Bhojpuri 9209 0108
- Chinese 9209 0101 Chinese (Cantonese) • 粵語 9209 0101 Chinese (Cantonese) • 國語 9209 0108 Chinese (Mandarin) • 廣東話 9209 0108 Chinese (Mandarin) • 廣東話 9209 0108 Chinese (Mandarin) • 廣東話 9209 0108 Chinese (Mandarin)
- Dinka 9209 0193 Dinka • English 9209 0108
- Greek 9209 0103 Greek • Italian 9209 0104 Italian • Korean 9209 0104 Korean • Macedonian 9209 0105 Macedonian • Marathi 9209 0108 Marathi • Nepali 9209 0108 Nepali • Persian 9209 0195 Persian • Punjabi 9209 0108 Punjabi • Russian 9209 0108 Russian • Serbian 9209 0107 Serbian • Somali 9209 0108 Somali • Spanish 9209 0109 Spanish • Tagalog 9209 0111 Tagalog • Tamil 9209 0108 Tamil • Thai 9209 0108 Thai • Vietnamese 9209 0111 Vietnamese
- All other non-English languages 9209 0112

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Call the Returning Officer from Wednesday, 19 September 2012 on (03) 9315 0005 to make a nomination appointment.

### Candidate information session

When: 7.00 pm, Wednesday, 19 September  
Where: Meeting Room 3, Hobsons Bay Civic Centre,  
115 Civic Parade, Altona

Candidate Information Kits containing nomination forms and other electoral information will be available at the information session.

### Rose McVicar Returning Officer

Meeting Rooms 1 and 2,  
Hobsons Bay Civic Centre,  
115 Civic Parade, Altona  
Tel: (03) 9315 0005

Office opens: 9.00 am, Wednesday, 19 September 2012

### Nominations close at 12 noon on Tuesday, 25 September 2012

### Large print and braille ballot papers

Large print or braille ballot papers are available for voters with low vision who register by Tuesday, 18 September 2012.

To register, call (03) 8620 1114 during business hours.

## Appendix 1.3. Voting details

### Hobsons Bay City Council Elections **Your Community Your Opportunity**



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#### Watch out for your ballot pack

Ballot packs containing voting material will be mailed to enrolled voters from Tuesday, 9 October 2012. If you do not receive your ballot pack by Wednesday, 17 October, call (03) 9315 0005 during business hours.

#### How to return your ballot paper

Post your completed ballot paper using the reply-paid envelope or hand-deliver it to the Returning Officer at:

- Hobsons Bay Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona
- Your completed ballot paper must be in the hands of the Returning Officer by **6.00 pm on Friday, 26 October 2012**.

#### Candidates

Candidates who have nominated to stand for election are included in the voting material and online at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au)

#### Voting is compulsory

Voting is compulsory for voters who were on the State roll for this election on Friday, 31 August 2012.

*Enrolled residents may be fined if they do not vote - this includes homeowners and tenants.*

You are encouraged to vote (but won't be fined if you don't) if:

- you are aged 70 years or over; or
- you live outside the municipality; or
- you applied to Council to be on the roll.

#### How to vote correctly

For your vote to count, you must complete your ballot paper correctly.

Put the number **1** in the box next to the candidate you most want to see elected, then number **ALL** the other boxes in order of your preference.

You must number **EVERY BOX** and only use each number once.

#### Rose McVicar Returning Officer

Hobsons Bay Civic Centre, 115 Civic Parade, Altona

9.00 am - 5.00 pm weekdays

9.00 am - 8.00 pm Thursday, 25 October

9.00 am - 6.00 pm Friday, 26 October

**Your vote must reach the Returning Officer  
by 6.00 pm on Friday, 26 October 2012**

For enquiries in languages other than English call our interpreting service:

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## Appendix 1.4. Reminder notice

# Hobsons Bay City Council Elections *Your Community Your Opportunity*



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Ballot packs containing voting material were mailed to enrolled voters from Tuesday, 9 October 2012.

If you have not received your ballot pack, call the Returning Officer on (03) 9315 0005 immediately to arrange a replacement.

### How to return your ballot paper

Post your completed ballot paper using the reply-paid envelope.

You can also hand deliver your ballot material to the Returning Officer during business hours at:

- Hobsons Bay Civic Centre,  
115 Civic Parade, Altona

All hand delivered ballot papers must be submitted inside the declaration envelope provided in your ballot pack.

### Candidates

The candidates who have nominated to stand for election are listed in the ballot material and online at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au)

### How to vote correctly

For your vote to count, you must complete your ballot paper correctly.

Put the number **1** in the box next to the candidate you most want to see elected, then number **ALL** the other boxes in order of your preference.

You must number **EVERY BOX** and only use each number once.

### Voting is compulsory

Voting is compulsory for voters who were on the State roll for this election at 4.00 pm on Friday, 31 August 2012.

**Enrolled residents may be fined if they do not vote - this includes homeowners and tenants.**

You are encouraged to vote (but won't be fined if you don't) if:

- you are aged 70 years or over; or
- you live outside the municipality; or
- you applied to Council to be on the roll.

### Vote counting

The votes for each ward will be counted using the proportional representation method.

For more information, visit [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au)

### Rose McVicar Returning Officer

Hobsons Bay Civic Centre,  
115 Civic Parade, Altona

9.00 am - 5.00 pm weekdays

9.00 am - 8.00 pm Thursday, 25 October

9.00 am - 6.00 pm Friday, 26 October

**Your vote must reach the Returning Officer by  
6.00 pm on Friday, 26 October 2012**

For enquiries in languages other than English call our interpreting service:

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Appendix 1.5. Notice of results

<p><b>Hobsons Bay City Council</b> <b><i>Declaration of election results</i></b></p>	 <p><b>Hobsons Bay</b> CITY COUNCIL</p>
<p>The following councillors were elected at the elections held on Saturday, 27 October 2012:</p> <p><b>Cherry Lake Ward</b> BRIFFA, Tony (1st elected) WILSON, Sandra (2nd elected)</p> <p><b>Strand Ward</b> ALTAIR, Angela (1st elected) HEMPHILL, Peter (2nd elected) MORGAN, Paul (3rd elected)</p> <p><b>Wetlands Ward</b> GRIGOROVITCH, Luba (1st elected) GATES, Colleen (2nd elected)</p> <p><b>Rose McVicar</b> <b>Returning Officer</b> <b>29 October 2012</b> The Victorian Electoral Commission conducted these elections on behalf of Hobsons Bay City Council.</p>	
<p>Victorian Electoral Commission </p>	
<p><b><i>vec.vic.gov.au</i></b></p> <p><small>Authorised by E. A. Williams, Acting Electoral Commissioner, 530 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria.</small></p>	

## Appendix 2: Ballot papers

### Cherry Lake Ward

#### Ballot Paper Hobsons Bay City Council Cherry Lake Ward

##### Election of 2 Councillors

Number the boxes **1 to 14**  
in the order of your choice.

Number every box to make your vote count  
You must not use any number more than once.

- DANIELS, Lynne
- LONG, Brian
- GUROVSKA, Menka
- DOYRAN, Sinem
- WILSON, Sandra
- DAVIES, Aaron
- PRICE, Jason
- LALOR, Patrick
- RICE, Diana
- SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
- BRIFFA, Tony
- SINGLETON, Dwayne
- RAFFOUL, Michael
- McCURLEY, Cameron

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### Strand Ward

#### Ballot Paper Hobsons Bay City Council Strand Ward

##### Election of 3 Councillors

Number the boxes **1 to 16**  
in the order of your choice.

Number every box to make your vote count  
You must not use any number more than once.

- ALTAIR, Angela
- ASSAF, Olga
- SERGI, Michael
- ELLIOTT, Chantelle
- TEHAN, Bill
- CEFALA, Antonio
- KAMAREDDINE, Abdul
- MILLER, Susan
- TRIPODI, Oliver
- ALAMASSI, Thuraya
- MORGAN, Paul
- HOGG, Diana Dora
- McKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- ASSAF, Wajde Wade
- HEMPHILL, Peter
- MARINIS, Jim

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Wetlands Ward

**Ballot Paper**  
**Hobsons Bay City Council**  
**Wetlands Ward**

***Election of 2 Councillors***

*Number the boxes 1 to 11  
in the order of your choice.*

**Number every box to make your vote count  
You must not use any number more than once.**

- MARSICH, Carl**
- SAGONA, John**
- GATES, Colleen**
- GRIGOROVITCH, Luba**
- HOGG, John**
- SOUIED, Khalid**
- EL-HASSAN, Talal**
- THOMAS, Anna**
- SOLIN, Rodney**
- KENT, Charmaine**
- DUGGAN, Robyne**

# Appendix 3: Candidate statement leaflets

## Cherry Lake Ward

**VOTING CLOSSES 6.00 PM  
FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER 2012**

For voting instructions see the ballot paper envelope.

**VOTING IN THIS ELECTION IS BY POST**

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**DANIELS,  
Lynne**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 1 DANIELS, Lynne
- 5 LONG, Brian
- 9 GUROVSKA, Menka
- 10 DOYRAN, Sineam
- 8 WILSON, Sandra
- 11 DAVIES, Aaron
- 4 PRICE, Jason
- 7 LALOR, Patrick
- 14 RICE, Dana
- 13 SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
- 2 BRIFFA, Tony
- 12 SINGLETON, Dwayne
- 6 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 3 McCURLEY, Cameron

I am a proud resident of our ward and am standing as an independent candidate to make a positive difference to our community. I am keen to see improvements to our community centres, sporting facilities, parks and recreation areas and provide better services for our community especially our aging population and multicultural community. Our smaller shopping precincts like the Circle, Borradk Square and Harrington Square need upgrades to make them more vibrant and attractive, and we must combat issues of safety and reduce vandalism. I am also passionate about our environment and am keen to ensure industry in the local area does the right thing by our community; jobs are important but not at the expense of our health and our environment. A vote for me is a vote for our local community. Contact [lynne.daniels17@gmail.com](mailto:lynne.daniels17@gmail.com) or 0424 812 776.

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**LONG,  
Brian**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 4 DANIELS, Lynne
- 1 LONG, Brian
- 7 GUROVSKA, Menka
- 8 DOYRAN, Sineam
- 9 WILSON, Sandra
- 10 DAVIES, Aaron
- 5 PRICE, Jason
- 11 LALOR, Patrick
- 12 RICE, Dana
- 13 SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
- 2 BRIFFA, Tony
- 14 SINGLETON, Dwayne
- 6 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 3 McCURLEY, Cameron

I have lived in Brooklyn most of my life and am a hardworking and committed member of our community. I have been a strong advocate for improvements in Altona North and Brooklyn over a number of years, especially when it comes to air quality issues and fighting the council, industry, the EPA and the state government to clean this area up. I have also successfully lobbied for improvements to the Federation Trail, Kororoit Creek, Duane Reserve and other local parks. If elected I will work hard for Altona, Altona North, Brooklyn and Seaholme and will push for improvements to our local roads, footpaths, shopping strips, sporting facilities, kindergartens, bicycle paths, services for our youth and elderly citizens, foreshore and work with the police to make our area a safer place to live. I am a local and will be an accessible councillor if elected. Contact me on [brian.long1@optusnet.com.au](mailto:brian.long1@optusnet.com.au) or 0411 438 196.

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**GUROVSKA,  
Menka**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 8 DANIELS, Lynne
- 9 LONG, Brian
- 1 GUROVSKA, Menka
- 7 DOYRAN, Sineam
- 6 WILSON, Sandra
- 2 DAVIES, Aaron
- 11 PRICE, Jason
- 12 LALOR, Patrick
- 5 RICE, Dana
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- 14 BRIFFA, Tony
- 3 SINGLETON, Dwayne
- 10 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 13 McCURLEY, Cameron

My name is Menka (Mena) Gurovska. My family and I have been residents of Hobsons Bay for 37 years and I am passionate about the municipality. My family moved to this area with the dream of living in an area that is a true community that supports its residence. I am of Macedonian background and speak fluent in both Macedonian and English. I went to Altona Gate Primary School and attended Altona North High School. I work full time at City West Water in the Network Operations, Engineering department. I have completed my Certificate IV in Customer Contact. I also have a competency recognised Qualification as an Auditor. I would like to see changes that enable a better, brighter Hobsons Bay with a community that is proud of where they live. "Let's work together to achieve better & greater results"

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**DOYRAN,  
Sinem**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 11 DANIELS, Lynne
- 5 LONG, Brian
- 10 GUROVSKA, Menta
- 1 DOYRAN, Sinem
- 9 WILSON, Sandra
- 14 DAVIES, Aaron
- 6 PRICE, Jason
- 3 LALOR, Patrick
- 12 RICE, Diana
- 13 SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
- 4 BRIFFA, Tony
- 7 SINGLETON, Dwayne
- 2 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 8 McCURLEY, Cameron

An active member of the United Nations Women Group, Australian Business Woman Network and resident of Hobsons Bay, I am a published author with a background in Art and Design. I also write, illustrate and design children's books and recently wrote a research thesis. I have a Masters degree in Politics whilst my academic works have been published both nationally and internationally. As a mother in Hobsons Bay, it appears that there is not enough voice on the current council representing women, especially mothers and their children. This is why I would like to make a change in our city so the voices of those who have not yet been heard can be whilst raising awareness and building support for women and mothers. Furthermore, we need to keep rates as low as possible and provide better amenities for the benefit of the community.

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**WILSON,  
Sandra**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 8 LONG, Brian
- 6 GUROVSKA, Menta
- 9 DOYRAN, Sinem
- 1 WILSON, Sandra
- 3 DAVIES, Aaron
- 10 PRICE, Jason
- 11 LALOR, Patrick
- 2 RICE, Diana
- 14 SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
- 12 BRIFFA, Tony
- 5 SINGLETON, Dwayne
- 13 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 14 McCURLEY, Cameron

An active resident for 18 years, I am an Independent, committed to working for this wonderful, diverse community. To me this means really listening and connecting people. I have been involved as School Council President, on the executive committee of a junior football club, in the transport-focused Altona Loop Group, and on Hobsons Bay Council committees. I've spent my career in the not-for-profit sector as a volunteer manager, policy officer and equal opportunity consultant. My focus will be on quality services and amenities for the well-being, safety and economic viability of all. I care about responsible planning and appropriate development to cater for higher density living while preserving our open spaces and neighbourhoods. I want to ensure we get value for money. Appointing a new CEO for Hobsons Bay will also be a critical task. The decisions we make today are our legacy for the future. [www.facebook.com/Sandra4Council](http://www.facebook.com/Sandra4Council)

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**DAVIES,  
Aaron**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 2 GUROVSKA, Menta
- 14 DOYRAN, Sinem
- 3 WILSON, Sandra
- 1 DAVIES, Aaron
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- 7 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 10 McCURLEY, Cameron

The Altonian has grown from my concern regarding the future of Hobsons Bay. I want to take an active role in strengthening our local services and enhancing sustainability through proper planning and development processes. I believe council not only represents our community but performs a vital role in shaping our future. I feel our council must be inclusive and transparent and if elected I intend on working with all councillors to ensure we have good governance within the municipality. I would advocate for civic leadership and community engagement to build a more prosperous Hobsons Bay. Through my employment in community health, I believe I have lots to offer in terms of community based leadership, dedication and passion. For more information visit [www.thealtonian.com](http://www.thealtonian.com)

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**PRICE,  
Jason**

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- 8 DOYRAN, Sinem
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- 11 LALOR, Patrick
- 12 RICE, Diana
- 13 SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
- 2 BRIFFA, Tony
- 14 SINGLETON, Dwayne
- 6 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 3 McCURLEY, Cameron

I am a long term resident of Altona and enjoy living here with my wife and young children. I am very involved in our community through my voluntary work with the SES in addition to being active on local issues such as opposing inappropriate developments and chemical industry in Altona including the proposed toxic soil facility on Kororait Creek Road. If elected I will use my genuine interest in the local area to advocate strongly for improvements to our foreshore, Cherry Lake, other reserves and local shopping strips. I will also advocate for improved public transport and more police presence over summer to improve safety. I am not a member of a political party and strongly believe that I will be able to better represent the community as a genuine independent. I will ensure an effective community voice on council and fair representation for everyone. Contact me: [jelp2010@gmail.com](mailto:jelp2010@gmail.com) or 0433 799 943

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**LALOR,  
Patrick**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 5 LONG, Brian
- 10 GUROVSKA, Menta
- 9 DOYRAN, Sinem
- 3 WILSON, Sandra
- 14 DAVIES, Aaron
- 6 PRICE, Jason
- 1 LALOR, Patrick
- 1 RICE, Diana
- 13 SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
- 4 BRIFFA, Tony
- 7 SINGLETON, Dwayne
- 12 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 8 McCURLEY, Cameron

I have been a resident of Hobsons Bay for over 32 years and in the time have come to know the area and it's issues well. It's with this knowledge and experience that I have decided to stand for election with views of affecting positive change in our community. Having family ties to Peter Lalor who led the rebellion of the Eureka Stockade in 1854, a passion for politics and commanding change is inherent in me. If elected, I wish install CCTV cameras along Altona Beach and shopping areas and minimise multi-level developments across Seaholme and Altona. As someone who has an invested interest in our community and a family history in leadership I believe that I can serve our community and strive to achieve improvements to Hobsons Bay. Furthermore, I am a supported candidate of the Australian Labor Party. Vote 1 for me.

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**RICE,  
Diana**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 13 LONG, Brian
- 5 GUROVSKA, Menta
- 12 DOYRAN, Sinem
- 2 WILSON, Sandra
- 3 DAVIES, Aaron
- 11 PRICE, Jason
- 7 LALOR, Patrick
- 1 RICE, Diana
- 6 SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
- 10 BRIFFA, Tony
- 4 SINGLETON, Dwayne
- 8 RAFFOUL, Michael
- 9 McCURLEY, Cameron

Hobsons Bay is a great place to live. We need fresh ideas and fresh faces on Council, willing to work together. I was born in Altona and live in Seaholme with my family. As an actual resident of Cherry Lake ward I understand the issues. I am a founding member of the Altona Loop Group, and will continue the fight to restore an adequate train service to our suburb. Our open space, creeks and beautiful coast are precious. Heavy industry should not be allowed to profit by polluting. Decision-making about local planning and development should be open and transparent, and respect the neighbours. I have university qualifications in science and planning, and have worked with state and local government. I am a member of Council's Sustainable Environment Advisory Group and am endorsed by the Victorian Greens. My interests include chooks, gardening, and cycling. Vote 1 Diana Rice. [vic.greens.org.au/diana.rice](http://vic.greens.org.au/diana.rice)

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**SHORT,  
Maureen Elizabeth**

Indication of Preferences	
7	DANIELS, Lynne
12	LONG, Brian
4	GUROVSKA, Menta
11	DOYRAN, Sirem
2	WILSON, Sandra
3	DAVIES, Aaron
13	PRICE, Jason
8	LALOR, Patrick
6	RICE, Dana
1	SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
10	BRIFFA, Tony
5	SINGLETON, Dwayne
9	RAFFOUL, Michael
14	McCURLEY, Cameron

Maureen Short, Public Relations Consultant, BA. A proud resident of Altona for over 45 years, I believe that a sound financial, ethical and consultative Council is paramount to serve the interests of Hobsons Bay. A pioneer in community/industry consultation, I have worked at Altona Council and held a management role with a local petrochemical company and the Altona Chemical Complex. I am a committed and founding member of a number of community and council committees, including the HB Community Fund, HB City Pride Committee BreastWest and Western Chances. I have faith that the people who know me, recognise my integrity, leadership and professional qualities needed to lead us forward. 2012 has seen a 6% rate increase. Are we getting value for money? Lower rates, better roads, footpaths and improved Council services are high on my agenda. I seek your support to help me make a difference. Mobile 0424 719 006 email [maureenforcound@gmail.com](mailto:maureenforcound@gmail.com).

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**BRIFFA,  
Tony**

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6	LONG, Brian
7	GUROVSKA, Menta
8	DOYRAN, Sirem
9	WILSON, Sandra
10	DAVIES, Aaron
2	PRICE, Jason
11	LALOR, Patrick
12	RICE, Dana
13	SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
1	BRIFFA, Tony
14	SINGLETON, Dwayne
3	RAFFOUL, Michael
4	McCURLEY, Cameron

I am the Mayor of Hobsons Bay and am a genuine independent councillor I am not a member of a political party. I have lived locally all my life and raised my foster children in Hobsons Bay. I am a Bail Justice and Justice of the Peace and have a long history of supporting local community groups including service and sporting clubs and groups that support our multicultural, arts, youth, disability, aged, environmental, LGBTI and interfaith communities. My history shows I strongly oppose dirty industry in the local area and work hard to improve our parks, foreshore, lake, sporting facilities, community centres, youth centres, libraries, roads, footpaths, drainage, parking and shopping precincts. I also continue to lobby for better public transport, hospitals, roads, police numbers. I work collaboratively with people to best serve our local community and am always accessible to residents. Please contact me on [tony.briffa@briffa.org](mailto:tony.briffa@briffa.org), [www.briffa.org](http://www.briffa.org) or 0418 398 906

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**SINGLETON,  
Dwayne**

Indication of Preferences	
14	DANIELS, Lynne
13	LONG, Brian
5	GUROVSKA, Menta
12	DOYRAN, Sirem
2	WILSON, Sandra
3	DAVIES, Aaron
11	PRICE, Jason
10	LALOR, Patrick
4	RICE, Dana
6	SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
9	BRIFFA, Tony
1	SINGLETON, Dwayne
8	RAFFOUL, Michael
7	McCURLEY, Cameron

I have lived in Altona North and Altona for close to 40 years, with my time evenly divided between these two great but distinct suburbs. As well as experiencing life as a young person and a family man in this area, I have worked as a town planner in local government and in business for 20 years. I will use my knowledge to benefit the businesses and residents of Hobsons Bay. The key areas of policy and action I will focus on are: work closely with neighbouring councils and government to create local employment opportunities; ensure Council is doing all it can to minimise living costs for residents; and provide more housing options for our younger and older residents so they are not forced to move from Hobsons Bay.

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**RAFFOUL,  
Michael**

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12	GUROVSKA, Menta
5	DOYRAN, Sirem
8	WILSON, Sandra
14	DAVIES, Aaron
7	PRICE, Jason
2	LALOR, Patrick
10	RICE, Dana
9	SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
4	BRIFFA, Tony
11	SINGLETON, Dwayne
1	RAFFOUL, Michael
6	McCURLEY, Cameron

As an active resident of Hobsons Bay and past Mayor (2010/11), I seek re-election to represent this city in which I have lived in for 30 years. Having also worked and studied in this great city, I was first elected in 2008. I seek to continue to be a representative and offer a strong voice to the community. Some key issues that I endeavour to address include establishing a fast-tracking process whereby planning applications to convert industrial precincts into residential zoning, implementing the Altona Foreshore master plan, continuation of lobbying the Environmental Protection Authority (E.P.A) to improve air quality and improvements to amenities including local shopping strips. I will continue to offer an open, consultative and hard-working approach and strongly believe that by working together we can make Hobsons Bay a better place for all of us to live, study and work. Vote 1 for me, Michael Raffoul.

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**McCURLEY,  
Cameron**

Indication of Preferences	
5	DANIELS, Lynne
6	LONG, Brian
11	GUROVSKA, Menta
10	DOYRAN, Sirem
8	WILSON, Sandra
9	DAVIES, Aaron
4	PRICE, Jason
7	LALOR, Patrick
13	RICE, Dana
14	SHORT, Maureen Elizabeth
2	BRIFFA, Tony
12	SINGLETON, Dwayne
3	RAFFOUL, Michael
1	McCURLEY, Cameron

I am the Co-Convenor of Hobsons Bay Residents Association and have lived in this ward with my family for 16 years. My role as a Co-Convenor of the residents' association has highlighted our community's need for truth in governance, and trust and respect in councillors who are free thinking and independent of political parties. I have represented residents fighting inappropriate developments at VCAT and have also lobbied against dirty industries within our ward. My previous career working for the community providing assistance to low income families, the aged and disabled, has given me a passion for building healthier communities. I have the experience, passion and ability to be an effective voice for the community on issues ranging from rates, management of council resources, planning, the local environment, community services, support for local residents, businesses and community groups, and improved traffic and transport. Contact me: [cam4cherylake@gmail.com](mailto:cam4cherylake@gmail.com) or 0403 508 290

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# Strand Ward

**VOTING CLOSSES 6.00 PM  
FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER 2012**

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**Hobsons Bay  
CITY COUNCIL**

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**ALTAIR,  
Angela**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 1 ALTAR, Angela
- 7 ASSAF, Olga
- 9 SERGI, Michael
- 10 ELIJOTT, Chantelle
- 12 TEHAN, Bill
- 14 CERULA, Antonio
- 8 CAMAREDDINE, Abdul
- 5 MILLER, Susan
- 3 TRIPODI, Oliver
- 6 ALAMWSSI, Thirayya
- 13 MORGAN, Paul
- 15 HOGG, Diana Dora
- 4 MCCENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 16 ASSAF, Wajideh Wate
- 2 NEHPHILL, Peter
- 11 HARKINS, Jim

As a long-serving Independent Councillor who loves working for our community I'm proud of what our city has achieved in my time as your representative. Williamstown's fabulous new \$8m public library is just one example. The \$3m redevelopment of the Williamstown Football Ground another. We've revitalised the beach-front and botanic gardens. The city has got its first e-waste collection. Next on my list is completion of Newport Gardens pre-school hub to ease baby boom pressures; keeping tight control over huge housing developments in Blakshaws Rd; and fixing poor roads, lanes and traffic problems, especially in Spotswood. I'm for higher rate rebates for pensioners and more parking in shopping centres. Like you, I want a well-run council that puts residents first. I pledge to continue dealing promptly with your inquiries and complaints and to maintain sensible planning for Hobsons Bay. I welcome your support and questions. Call 0409121028 or visit [www.angelaaltair.com](http://www.angelaaltair.com)

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**ASSAF,  
Olga**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 15 ALTAR, Angela
- 1 ASSAF, Olga
- 12 SERGI, Michael
- 10 ELIJOTT, Chantelle
- 16 TEHAN, Bill
- 13 CERULA, Antonio
- 4 CAMAREDDINE, Abdul
- 7 MILLER, Susan
- 9 TRIPODI, Oliver
- 3 ALAMWSSI, Thirayya
- 14 MORGAN, Paul
- 8 HOGG, Diana Dora
- 5 MCCENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
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- 6 NEHPHILL, Peter
- 11 HARKINS, Jim

Let your voice be heard Vote 1 Olga Assaf, Independent Liberal Party Member. One of the founding members of the Antiochian Christian Orthodox Church in the Inner West. Aged care worker. My 10 point plan: Make the Council more accountable; Equal rights for all; More child, aged and disability services; Open maternity wards in Williamstown Hospital; Oppose high density housing; Make Hobsons Bay a greener community; No rate increase for four years; Pensioners pay less rates funded by reducing the expenses of the Councillors and the Mayor by making it mandatory for the Mayor to drive Australian made vehicles; Build an indoor netball centre at Bryan Marlyn Oval Newport; Build fishing piers with disability access. I have lived in Newport for the past 25 years. I also have current and past involvement with local kindergartens, primary and secondary schools. Fix our roads, footpath now no water in drive way. 0419552600

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**SERGI,  
Michael**

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- 12 MILLER, Susan
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- 13 MCCENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 11 ASSAF, Wajideh Wate
- 16 NEHPHILL, Peter
- 6 HARKINS, Jim

I was born and raised in the western suburbs and live within the Hobson's Bay electorate. I am married and together with my wife operate a long term business in the area. I am keenly interested in community issues and am a supporter of a number of clubs. I am passionate about the area and believe that as part of the fastest growing region in Melbourne the council decisions which will be taken in the coming years are of vital importance. If elected I would seek to influence council to instigate greater planning reforms within the council boundaries and in particular to adopt a better approach to development of major scale projects. I have the local knowledge, the drive and the skills to represent the people of Hobson's Bay. Vote 1 for me.

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**ELLIOTT,  
Chantelle**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 16 ACTAR, Angela
- 8 ASSAF, Olga
- 9 SERGI, Michael
- 1 ELLIOTT, Chantelle
- 2 TENAN, Bill
- 4 CEFALA, Antonio
- 10 KAMAREDDINE, Abdul
- 7 MILLER, Susan
- 15 TRIPODI, Oliver
- 12 ALAMASSI, Thuzaya
- 3 MORGAN, Paul
- 5 HOGG, Diana Dora
- 14 MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 11 ASSAF, Wajee Wajee
- 13 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 6 HARMES, Jim

A vote for youth is a vote for the future of Hobson's Bay. I have lived in Hobson's Bay my whole life and intend on making it my home for many years. I am currently studying Bachelor of Business at Carrick Institute. By voting for me you will be guaranteeing a longevity of service to the community. I will concentrate on raising a positive approach to youth services in Hobson's Bay. I will promote an agenda, based on bringing young and old together to build a stronger community. I plan on working with youth leaders and business leaders to continue to build an economical base for the community of Hobson's Bay. Support my election campaign and move with me toward a brighter future for Hobson's Bay.

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**TEHAN,  
Bill**

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- 12 ASSAF, Wajee Wajee
- 16 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 3 HARMES, Jim

As a current councillor, former Mayor (2009-10) and Hobson's Bay resident, I am passionate about our local area and have shown that I can work with other councillors irrespective of political affiliations to get things done for our local community. I am a Justice of the Peace and have been on numerous local community groups and boards. I want your support to continue to work for our community by improving car parking and footpaths in our shopping areas; upgrading our reserves, roads, drainage and community facilities; ensuring our heritage and neighbourhood character is respected (i.e. opposing high rise and high density development); providing support to our local community groups; improve public transport, medical services, police numbers and roads; greater support for our diverse community (including our multicultural community); support initiatives to combat climate change; and provide leadership and common sense in the council. Contact [billtehan@yahoo.com.au](mailto:billtehan@yahoo.com.au) or 0407 578 600.

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**CEFALA,  
Antonio**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 4 SERGI, Michael
- 8 ELLIOTT, Chantelle
- 5 TENAN, Bill
- 1 CEFALA, Antonio
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- 12 MILLER, Susan
- 14 TRIPODI, Oliver
- 9 ALAMASSI, Thuzaya
- 2 MORGAN, Paul
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- 16 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 6 HARMES, Jim

Hi, I'm Anthony Cefala and I have some great ideas how we can make Strand Ward a better place to live. I'm an Accountant who has lived in Williamstown for quite a few years now and I'd like to make our main streets and beaches a safer place. I'd like to see CCTV cameras installed and monitored to make sure these areas are safe day and night. I'm also not happy with the way that Council handles planning and new developments. I'd like to change and reform the planning process to stop overdevelopment and unattractive structures from being built in the area. I would also like to make Williamstown a better place to shop by providing more parking in the shopping centres and removing parking meters from Nelson Place. I hope you decide to vote 1 for Anthony Cefala and I look forward to representing you on council.

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**KAMAREDDINE,  
Abdul**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 2 MORGAN, Paul
- 10 HOGG, Diana Dora
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- 4 ASSAF, Wajee Wajee
- 16 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 3 HARMES, Jim

As a member of the Council's Multicultural Advisory Group and the Police and Community Multi Advisory Committee, obviously working on matters pertaining to the community is of top priority for me. I hold a PhD in engineering and have held teaching positions at the University of Melbourne. The youth are a major part of my plans and when elected, I will establish effective youth wellbeing programs which will cover issues like drugs, alcohol and bullying awareness. I will advance a ferry project for travelling between Williamstown and the CBD, lobby for alternative solutions to the traffic issue, improve the poor condition of the footpaths, and increase the seniors rebate. I want to have the honour of serving my community. I do not want to force my vision onto others, but to contribute to the city that has contributed to my welfare. Vote for change, vote 1 for Dr. Abdul Kamareddine.

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**MILLER,  
Susan**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 8 ASSAF, Olga
- 15 SERGI, Michael
- 14 ELLIOTT, Chantelle
- 11 TENAN, Bill
- 16 CEFALA, Antonio
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- 7 ALAMASSI, Thuzaya
- 12 MORGAN, Paul
- 13 HOGG, Diana Dora
- 4 MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 9 ASSAF, Wajee Wajee
- 3 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 10 HARMES, Jim

As the endorsed Victorian Greens candidate in Strand Ward I am committed to open transparent government and building consensus. I am running for Council because I wish to protect and enhance the livability of our wonderful city. I will do this by supporting sustainable, appropriate development; advocating for improved public transport and safer cycling routes; working to improve community health, aged, disability and childcare services; and strengthening our local arts culture. I will expand Council's environmental initiatives such as the e-waste trial. During the eleven years I have lived in Hobson's Bay I have been active in the community lobbying for better train services, volunteering with the Sudanese community, and at my daughter's crèche, kindergarten and school (including two years on the management committee of Williamstown Childcare Centre Co-operative) and building my graphic design business. For more information please visit [vic.greens.org.au/susan.miller](http://vic.greens.org.au/susan.miller). Vote 1 Susan Miller.

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**TRIPODI,  
Oliver**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 8 ASSAF, Olga
- 9 SERGI, Michael
- 12 ELLIOTT, Chantelle
- 10 TENAN, Bill
- 13 CEFALA, Antonio
- 14 KAMAREDDINE, Abdul
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- 6 MORGAN, Paul
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- 5 MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 7 ASSAF, Wajee Wajee
- 3 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 16 HARMES, Jim

I've always lived in Newport and Williamstown. I've decided to stand for council because I believe Hobson's Bay needs energetic and committed representation. I care deeply about the community, and I am driven to achieve fair results for all residents. Recently, I led the campaign against the use of methyl bromide at the fumigation plant in Spotswood. On council, I will continue to advocate for safe industries in our area. I vow to make the right decisions, even when they're tough. Rates have jumped up a further 20% in the past four years and we have little to show for it, especially in Spotswood. Through my work with the Youth Parliament I have learned that youth is no barrier to effective leadership. I will be a fresh voice for Hobson's Bay, and I will be your voice on council. Please contact me on 0425 454 976 or at [www.olivertipodi.org](http://www.olivertipodi.org)

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**ALMASSI,  
Thuraya**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 3 ASSAF, Olga
- 12 SERGI, Michael
- 10 ELLIOTT, Charlotte
- 16 TENAK, Bill
- 13 CEFALA, Antonio
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- 7 MILLER, Susan
- 9 TRIPODI, Oliver
- 1 ALMASSI, Thuraya
- 14 MORGAN, Paul
- 8 HOGG, Diana Dora
- 5 MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 2 ASSAF, Wajide Wade
- 6 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 11 MARQUIS, Jim

I am a long term resident of Hobsons Bay Council. I am married with two children. I hold a Bachelor of Arts (International Studies) and a Master degree in International Relations. I have an interest in people and willingness to invest time and energy in serving the various needs and interests of my community. I am a member of the Hobsons Bay Council's Multi-cultural Advisory Group. My key priorities are aged people, disabled access, local libraries, waste collection, road safety and parking. I will also work on the development of policies that would ensure equitable access, foster sense of belonging, promote cultural diversity and break down barriers impeding gender equality and women's participation in public arena. I have the local knowledge and the necessary skills required to represent the people of Hobsons Bay. Vote 1 for me. Please phone me on 0433886999. Please follow my Preference Card.

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**MORGAN,  
Paul**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 5 SERGI, Michael
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- 2 TENAK, Bill
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- 4 CAMAREDDINE, Aboul
- 12 MILLER, Susan
- 12 TRIPODI, Oliver
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- 11 ASSAF, Wajide Wade
- 16 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 6 MARQUIS, Jim

Paul Morgan is running for Strand Ward to move Hobsons Bay in a new direction with creative ideas and strong leadership. A fourth generation resident of Strand Ward, he is focused on rejuvenating areas which have long been neglected, improving the facilities that Council provides and most of all, listening to the needs of residents and the community. Paul will work with the community and local traders to rejuvenate shopping strips in our area to encourage new business, whilst proactively managing issues such as parking and traffic. Paul also feels that attention is required to improve the state of footpaths, roads and trees in our area. If elected, Paul will implement plans to fix problem areas in the short term whilst planning for upgrades and ongoing maintenance in the long term. Vote 1 for Paul Morgan - The leadership we need for change to happen.

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**HOGG,  
Diana Dora**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 7 ASSAF, Olga
- 8 SERGI, Michael
- 9 ELLIOTT, Charlotte
- 3 TENAK, Bill
- 10 CEFALA, Antonio
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- 14 MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 15 ASSAF, Wajide Wade
- 16 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 2 MARQUIS, Jim

I have lived in Hobsons Bay all my life and am a genuine independent candidate I am not a member of a political party. I have been a member of the Hobsons Bay Residents Association since 2004 and have volunteered with many community groups over the last 15 years. I would like to be your representative on the council to protect and preserve the beautiful natural environment and character of our area; strengthen our community through the provision of quality services and facilities; work with residents, community groups and local businesses; and improve our foreshore, parks, shopping strips, roads, drainage, footpaths, community centres, kindergartens, public transport, car parking, sporting grounds and cultural activities. I am keen to see issues with graffiti and public safety addressed and services for youth improved. Contact me on [dianadora@live.com.au](mailto:dianadora@live.com.au) or 0412 496 201

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**MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL,  
Therese**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 13 SERGI, Michael
- 11 ELLIOTT, Charlotte
- 16 TENAK, Bill
- 14 CEFALA, Antonio
- 9 CAMAREDDINE, Aboul
- 4 MILLER, Susan
- 4 TRIPODI, Oliver
- 7 ALMASSI, Thuraya
- 15 MORGAN, Paul
- 10 HOGG, Diana Dora
- 1 MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 5 ASSAF, Wajide Wade
- 2 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 12 MARQUIS, Jim

Resident 27yrs, married and both work locally. Co-ordinator of Outlets Co-op Neighbourhood House (Newport) since 1986. Business Manager, Teacher, Mediator, Mentor. I strongly support Volunteer participation, enhancing Leadership through Community, Cultural communities, Arts, Services, Employment initiatives. I will endeavour to prioritise public and trader safety, roads, drainage maintenance, harvesting storm water for streetscape beautification. My voluntary involvement past/current- Newport Traders Association, Rotary Club of Altona, Assistant Governor 2012 Rotary District 9800, OpReInc-Bayside Festival, Urban Development Advisory HBCC, Regional Council Adult Further Education, Williamstown Hospital, Altona North Primary school has given me the skills to be a strong leader, working as a team whose interests will benefit all. Your concerns need attention and I will address these issues, as an Independent I act only for you and your interests. Community Safety for you, your family your traders, more accessible Parking for you, your traders and transport, residents heard and listened to, Services working for you.

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**ASSAF,  
Wajide Wade**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 10 ELLIOTT, Charlotte
- 16 TENAK, Bill
- 13 CEFALA, Antonio
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- 3 ALMASSI, Thuraya
- 14 MORGAN, Paul
- 8 HOGG, Diana Dora
- 5 MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 1 ASSAF, Wajide Wade
- 6 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 11 MARQUIS, Jim

Let your voice be heard Vote 1 Wajide Assaf Independent Liberal Party Member. Former member of the Australian Defence Force. A founding member of the Antiochian Christian Orthodox Church. My 10 point plan: Make the council more accountable; Equal rights for all; More child, aged and disability services; More parking in business centres; Oppose high density housing; Make Hobsons Bay a greener community; No rate increase for four years; Pensioners pay less rates funded by reducing the expenses of the Councillors and Mayor by making it mandatory for the Mayor to drive Australian made vehicles; Build an indoor netball centre at Bryan Martyn Oval Newport; Build fishing piers with disability access. I have lived in Williamstown/ Newport for the past 43 years. Educated at Melbourne University, Australian Defence, Williamstown Technical School, William Angliss College, Williamstown/ North Williamstown Primary School. 0419552600

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**HEMPHILL,  
Peter**

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- 13 ALMASSI, Thuraya
- 14 MORGAN, Paul
- 15 HOGG, Diana Dora
- 3 MCKENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
- 6 ASSAF, Wajide Wade
- 1 HEMPHILL, Peter
- 16 MARQUIS, Jim

I am a long-standing Independent councillor who lives in Strand ward. I have worked with residents to successfully deliver big ticket projects, including the new Altona North and Williamstown libraries, Bayfit swim centre, the Williamstown Football Ground pavilion and building of the Newport Gardens kindergarten and maternal and child health centre has begun. Other achievements include ongoing funding for footpaths, bollards and revegetation in the Rifle Range. During this next term, I will ensure the new Newport Library, Youth and Senior Citizens centre is built, the JT Gray Reserve upgrade begins and the Spotswood football clubrooms get a long-awaited kickstart. Top of the list this term are pensioner rate relief, shopping centre car parking, fixing roads and laneways, fighting graffiti, continuing the Market Street bike path and proper planning so huge housing developments don't dog our roads. Phone me on 0498676959. Follow my preference card for experienced representation. I deliver.

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**MARINIS,**  
**Jim**

**Indication of Preferences**

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8	ASSAF, Olga
6	SERGI, Michael
9	ELIOTT, Charkelle
3	TEKAK, Bill
10	CETALA, Antonio
2	CAHAREDDINE, Abdul
11	MILLER, Susan
12	TRIPPOI, Oliver
13	ALAMASSI, Thiraya
5	MORGAN, Paul
4	MCGG, Diana Dora
14	MCCENNEY-CAMPBELL, Therese
15	ASSAF, Hajira-Wate
16	MERPHILL, Peter
1	MARINIS, Jim

I have lived in Williamstown for over 40 years, have extensive managerial and commercial experience and am on the board of several organisations including Director of Sports Management companies that represent both AFL/Indigenous players. I am a genuine independent candidate and believe we need change in the way Newport, South Kingsville, Spotswood, Williamstown and Williamstown North are represented in the council. We need planning decisions that respect and preserve our neighbourhood character and councillors that will publicly oppose high-density and high-rise development. We also need to address the long-standing car parking issues in our shopping strips, improve public transport, improve community services for our ageing, multicultural and disabled residents, upgrade our parks, foreshore and sporting facilities, address climate change issues locally, and improve our roads and footpaths. Vote for me for a fresh change to our area! Contact me on [jim@jimmarinis.com.au](mailto:jim@jimmarinis.com.au) or 0498 069 364

## Wetlands Ward

**VOTING CLOSSES 6.00 PM  
FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER 2012**

For voting instructions see the ballot paper envelope.

**VOTING IN THIS ELECTION IS BY POST**

Your vote must be received by the Returning Officer by **6.00 pm on Friday, 26 October 2012**. Late votes cannot be included in the count.

You may hand-deliver your envelope to the Returning Officer at:

Meeting Rooms 1 & 2, Civic Centre  
115 Civic Parade  
Altona

**NOTE:**

Hours for some country hand delivery locations may vary, please visit [www.vec.vic.gov.au](http://www.vec.vic.gov.au) for details.

**COMPULSORY VOTING PROVISIONS APPLY**

Voting is compulsory for voters who were on the State roll for this election at the entitlement date.

You are encouraged to vote (but won't be fined if you don't) if you are 70-years of age or over, live outside the municipality or you applied to Council to be on the roll.



**Hobsons Bay**  
CITY COUNCIL

## Council Election

Voting instructions and personal statements from candidates with indications of their preferences.

Victorian municipal boundaries have recently been reviewed



## Wetlands Ward

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**Voting is compulsory for residents**

Information: (03) 9315 0005 9.00am to 5.00pm  
Monday to Friday or [www.vec.vic.gov.au](http://www.vec.vic.gov.au)

Victorian Electoral Commission

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**MARSICH,  
Carl**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 1 MARSICH, Carl
- 7 SAGONA, John
- 4 GATES, Colleen
- 2 GRIGOROVITCH, Luba
- 11 HOGG, John
- 6 SOUIED, Khalid
- 8 EL-HASSAN, Tala
- 9 THOMAS, Anna
- 3 SOLIM, Rodney
- 10 KENT, Charmaine
- 5 DUGGAN, Robyne

I am a long term resident of Altona Meadows. I am an ALP Supported candidate. I served as Mayor of the City of Hobsons Bay twice (2000 & 2006). During my 3 terms on Council I delivered the Altona Meadows Library and Learning Centre, Seabrook Community Centre and planning of the Laverton Hub. I delivered the Truganina parklands and Bay Trail with walk and bicycle paths along the Wetlands and Skeleton Creek, Altona Green sports oval, Pavilion and Tennis courts and Laverton Park Pavilion expansion. With your support I look forward to delivering: Low rates and responsible council budgets, Increased council pensioners concession, Upgrade Laverton Swim centre, Cyber Bullying project, Improvements for Seabrook Community, Support Laverton Hub and Improved Services, Advocate on Point Cook Road and Central Avenue, Station parking, Public transport services, Community Safety, Protect environment, Support local traders. Your Issues matter to Carl Marsich. Vote 1 for me.

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**SAGONA,  
John**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 10 MARSICH, Carl
- 1 SAGONA, John
- 9 GATES, Colleen
- 11 GRIGOROVITCH, Luba
- 2 HOGG, John
- 5 SOUIED, Khalid
- 6 EL-HASSAN, Tala
- 3 THOMAS, Anna
- 8 SOLIM, Rodney
- 4 KENT, Charmaine
- 7 DUGGAN, Robyne

I have been a local resident for most of my life and have been involved in many community groups over the last 30 years including sporting and fishing clubs. I have also been instrumental in successfully campaigning to retain a local park and improve sporting facilities. Vote for me if you want a fresh local voice on the council that respects the desires and needs of local residents including great parks, better roads, improved community facilities and decent community services including services for people of multicultural communities, elderly residents, and people affected by disabilities. I am a genuine independent candidate and not a member of a political party so if elected I will represent you directly. I work very well with others, and am a very approachable, accessible and reliable person. I would appreciate your support. Please contact me on email [jssagona@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jssagona@optusnet.com.au) or 0412 184 503 if you would like more information.

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**GATES,  
Colleen**

**Indication of Preferences**

- 5 MARSICH, Carl
- 6 SAGONA, John
- 1 GATES, Colleen
- 2 GRIGOROVITCH, Luba
- 7 HOGG, John
- 8 SOUIED, Khalid
- 9 EL-HASSAN, Tala
- 10 THOMAS, Anna
- 3 SOLIM, Rodney
- 11 KENT, Charmaine
- 4 DUGGAN, Robyne

I am a local resident who has lived in the Ward for over 12 years. I am an Independent who will actively pursue fair representation for all who live, work and play in the area. I am not affiliated with a political party and vote based on the best solution to each problem. I am an active volunteer and community minded person who is passionate about change for the better. I have a strong reputation and proven track record for getting things done on behalf of the community. If elected I will continue to advocate for better roads, accessible transport for all ages, appropriate environment and planning controls, invigorating local trading areas, maintaining neighbourhood integrity and improving services for youth, families and the ageing. I have the ability to work cooperatively with a wide range of people but I am not afraid to tackle the hard issues for others.

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**GRIGOROVITCH,  
Luba**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 8 SAGONA, John
- 3 GATES, Colleen
- 1 GRIGOROVITCH, Luba
- 11 HOGG, John
- 7 SOUIED, Khalid
- 6 EL-HASSAN, Tala
- 9 THOMAS, Anna
- 4 SOLIM, Rodney
- 10 KENT, Charmaine
- 5 DUGGAN, Robyne

As the current Altona Meadows Councillor, I am delighted with this new Super Ward. If re-elected I will fight for the needs of residents in Altona Meadows, Laverton and Seabrook. Being born and raised in Altona Meadows, I attended local schools then completed a double degree at Victoria University. Involvement in local sporting clubs, varied community groups and committees has ensured I have a local perspective on people and the needs of this area. Having successfully worked hard for the community, I am an officially supported ALP candidate. Going on about achievements is not me; I feel it's more important to voice what I will address in the future: congested roads, public transport, railway parking, footpaths, Laverton Swim Centre, pensioner rate relief and inclusion, etc. I proudly stand on my record of solid achievement to tackle issues and ask that you re-elect me to continue the fight. [www.LubaG.com.au](http://www.LubaG.com.au) Phone 0406 162592

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**HOGG,  
John**

**Indication of Preferences**

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- 3 SAGONA, John
- 8 GATES, Colleen
- 10 GRIGOROVITCH, Luba
- 1 HOGG, John
- 5 SOUIED, Khalid
- 6 EL-HASSAN, Tala
- 4 THOMAS, Anna
- 11 SOLIM, Rodney
- 2 KENT, Charmaine
- 7 DUGGAN, Robyne

I am the Deputy Mayor of Hobsons Bay and have lived in Laverton and Altona Meadows all my life. I am passionate about making our local area a vibrant place to live and want to continue the work I have done locally since being elected four years ago. My record shows I am a strong advocate for Altona Meadows, Laverton and Seabrook and I deliver for our area. My successes include the new multi-million dollar Laverton Community Hub which includes a medical facility, community centre and areas for our community groups. This facility will open in 4 months. I also successfully lobbied for the retention of Aircraft Station, upgrades to Comben Reserve, Point Cook Road, Laverton Train Station, Laverton Park, Graham Reserve and the Seabrook Community Centre/Kindergarten and support the Laverton Community Association and local shops. I work well with others to get results! Contact me: [hogg4wetlands@gmail.com](mailto:hogg4wetlands@gmail.com) or 0451 020 751

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**SOUIED,  
Khalid**

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I have lived locally in Altona Meadows, Laverton and Seabrook for most of my life and have owned and operated businesses here for 40 years. I am a proud member of our community and am standing for council to provide a local, fresh voice that will stand up and represent our needs including improvements to our roads and public transport, upgrades to our local shopping strips, car parks, reserves and community facilities. I will work for better services for our youth, elderly and people with disabilities, and will work to ensure we respect and celebrate the diversity in our community including people of multicultural backgrounds. I will also fight to ensure rates are affordable and reasonable. If elected I will be accessible to local residents and will be your voice on the council. Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss any local issues 0411 212 725.

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**EL-HASSAN,  
Talal**

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As a long-term resident of over 35 years in the City of Hobsons Bay, Justice of the Peace and successful local businessman I am an active community member. I have been and am currently involved in many community activities throughout the city, I, and many people of this ward believe there are still many areas that require attention. They include: provide greater pensioner rebates, improve parks, assist schemes for small business providers and build a new library in Laverton. Vote 1 for me because I believe I have the skill and knowledge to represent people of Altona Meadows, Laverton and Seabrook.

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I have lived in Altona Meadows most of my life and am standing as a genuine independent candidate - I am not a member of a political party. I am an active member of the Hobsons Bay Residents' Association and am running on a platform to make real improvements to our local area - local roads and footpaths, parks, sporting facilities, Skeleton and Laverton Creeks, bicycle path network, shopping precincts, public transport, kindergartens and community centres. Please contact me on [thomasanna@y7mail.com](mailto:thomasanna@y7mail.com) or 0432 229 961 to discuss any local issues.

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**SOLIN,  
Rodney**

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I am the Greens' endorsed candidate for Wetlands Ward. I have lived in Hobsons Bay for 20 years. Hobsons Bay Council spends too much of its money on the Williamstown area, to the detriment of Laverton and Altona Meadows residents. Laverton people who live on the other side of the railway line are not well served. Altona Meadows residents who have to cross Queen St every morning on foot have to take their lives into their own hands. People should be able to ride their bikes safely to the railway station. This is not satisfactory. Wetlands Ward needs better Aged Care and Childcare services. Migrant and refugee services should be improved. The roads need to be repaired. Hobsons Bay is a great place to live for most of its residents. Let's make it a great place for all of its residents.

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Charmaine**

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I am a long-term resident of Seabrook and am standing as a genuine independent candidate to give our community a voice on the council. I am a qualified accountant and an active member of the Hobsons Bay Residents Association. I know first hand what it's like putting up with Point Cook Road every day, and the issues with Laverton Station, hoons, rat-runs, graffiti, etc. Vote for me if you want improvements to our parks, roads, creeks, shopping strips, community facilities, and footpaths. I will take a commonsense approach in council and work hard for our community by working with other councillors to get results. Please contact me on [charmaine.kent@bigpond.com](mailto:charmaine.kent@bigpond.com) or 0429 062 583

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I am standing for election as a local independent who is interested in helping the community. I have lived in Hobsons Bay for over 20 years and haven't lost touch with the people and their real issues. As a mother of three girls, and a woman who works in the areas of housing, low income support and disability care, I understand the everyday needs of living within our Ward and the day to day challenges. I am also a sports advocate and passionate about shopping with local traders. If elected I will advocate on behalf of the community for improvements to the traffic congestion, better access to health care and family doctors, support local business and traders and increased accessibility to our service hubs.

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