

City of Vincent

Ordinary Election

16 October 2021



CITY OF VINCENT



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INTRODUCTION

A total of 98 local governments requested that the Electoral Commissioner conduct their ordinary elections in October 2021. This compares with 90 local governments in 2019 and 89 in 2017.

The Western Australian Electoral Commission was engaged by the City of Vincent to use postal voting for the October 2021 elections.

Within this report the *Local Government Act 1995* is referred to as the Act and regulations within the *Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997* are referred to as regulations. The Western Australian Electoral Commission is abbreviated to the Commission.

The report that follows provides information about the election process together with the election results.

ELECTION TIMETABLE

The election timetable is prescribed by the Act. A copy of the timetable used for this election appears in Appendix 1. Key dates for this election were:

Close of the roll	27 August 2021
Opening of nominations	2 September 2021
Close of nominations	9 September 2021
Lodgement of packages to electors	20 September 2021

RETURNING OFFICER

Appointment

In accordance with section 4.20(4) of the Act, the Electoral Commissioner appointed Jennifer VAN DEN HOEK to be the Returning Officer for the election. The Electoral Commissioner is also required to appoint one or more Deputy Returning Officers under section 4.21(2) of the Act. Several staff members from the Electoral Commission were appointed as Deputy Returning Officers to assist with those electoral processes conducted centrally.

Duties

The Returning Officer was responsible for:

- receiving nominations from candidates
- receiving and recording nomination fees
- conducting the draws for positions on the ballot papers
- receiving and reviewing candidate profiles and photographs
- issuing replacement voting packages
- organising the count
- declaring the result of the elections
- parcelling the ballot papers and election material for storage by the City of Vincent.

Support for Returning Officer

The role of the Commission was to support the Returning Officer by:

- providing all handbooks, manuals and forms

- arranging for the printing of materials for the voting packages
- producing the residents roll
- arranging for the secure dispatch of ballot packages
- recording the return of votes by mail
- notifying the Minister for Local Government, of the results of the election
- providing electoral information on the Commission's website
- seeking legal advice as required and
- preparing this election report.

ADVERTISING

Statutory Advertising

The Act requires the placement of three statutory advertisements. Changes to regulations in August 2020 now provide that Statewide public notice can be achieved by publication on the official website of the local government and the website of the Western Australian Electoral Commission, exhibition on a local government noticeboard or by electronic means, including social media.

The following notices were published in accordance with the above requirements –

- *Notice of Close of Enrolments*
- *Call for Nominations*
- *Notice of Election*

Notices advising of the election results were published in a similar manner to the other notices.

Appendix 2 shows the noticeboard advertisements described above as supplied by the Western Australian Electoral Commission.

The Commission Website

The City of Vincent had a visual presence on the Commission's website at www.elections.wa.gov.au in terms of logo, address and link to its home page. People visiting the Commission's website could view a broad range of electoral information, including:

- key dates and deadlines for the election
- how to vote information
- lists of candidates (after close of nominations)
- Returning Officer and local government contact details
- Australia Post daily package return figures.

The election results were shown on the Commission's website on election night.

ELECTORAL ROLLS

The rolls closed at 5.00 pm on 27 August 2021 in accordance with section 4.39(1) of the Act.

The Chief Executive Officer prepared the owners and occupiers roll. The Electoral Commissioner prepared the residents roll.

Rolls for candidates were supplied on thumb drives. These were made available as soon as possible after roll close to ensure that candidates had the opportunity to use them for their election campaign once they had nominated.

Candidates and members of council were provided with one free copy of the residents roll and the owners and occupiers roll on request.

Candidate Information USBs

Each candidate was provided with an information package on a thumb drive that included:

- a handbook entitled *Information for Candidates*
- a handbook entitled *Information for Scrutineers*
- a booklet entitled *Formality of Ballot Paper Guide*
- Form LG 08 *Nomination for Election by (Candidate and Mayor)*
- Form LG 09 *Nomination for Election by Agent*
- Form LG 09A *Disclosure of Gifts*
- Form LG 18 *Appointment of Scrutineer*

NOMINATIONS

Nominations opened on 2 September 2021 and closed at 4.00 pm on 9 September 2021 in accordance with Section 4.49(a) of the Act.

Nominations were called for the following councillor vacancies:

Ward	No of Vacancies	Length of Term
North	2	4 year term
North	1	2 year term
South	2	4 year term

Candidates were required to supply the following when they nominated for a vacancy:

- nomination form
- profile of no more than 800 characters (including spaces)
- nomination deposit of \$80.00
- photograph (optional).

At the close of nominations, the Returning Officer had accepted 12 nominations for councillor.

A draw was conducted for ballot paper position for each election. The candidates are listed in ballot paper order, as follows:

Ward	Expiry of term	Candidates Nominated
North	2 x 18 October 2025 1 x 21 October 2023	FOTAKIS, Joanne LIEBLICH, Adina WORNER, Suzanne KNOTT, Bonnie ALEXANDER, Ron CASTLE, Alex

Ward	Expiry of term	Candidates Nominated
South	18 October 2025	HALLETT, Jonathan SWANSON, Ben IOPPOLO, Ross MADDEN, Amanda DURWARD, Trent O'KEEFE, Joshua

PRODUCTION OF ELECTION PACKAGES AND MAIL-OUT

The Commission created a postal list for the election, comprising electors from the owners and occupiers roll and the residents roll. Following the electronic merge of data from these two rolls, duplicate records were eliminated. This is designed to ensure that each eligible elector receives only one election package for each voting entitlement.

Election packages contain a ballot paper with candidate profiles attached, a ballot paper envelope with an elector certificate attached, a reply paid envelope and an information brochure.

Reply paid envelopes were printed as soon as it was confirmed that the election was to be held. Candidate profiles and secure printed ballot papers were then produced according to a schedule that enabled the mail-out to commence from 20 September 2021.

Each ballot paper envelope was overprinted with the elector's name and address and a barcode using information from the postal list. The name and address served as the address label and the barcode enabled the elector's name to be marked off the roll when the voting package was returned.

A total of 25,865 election packages were dispatched by Australia Post to electors in the City of Vincent.

Extra packages were sent to the City of Vincent for issuing replacement or provisional voting papers.

ISSUE OF REPLACEMENT AND PROVISIONAL VOTING PAPERS

Electors who lost, spoilt or misplaced their ballot papers or claimed not to have received an election package were entitled to apply for a replacement under regulation 45. People who claimed to have been omitted from the roll in error were entitled to apply for provisional voting papers under regulation 46. The Returning Officer provided training to City of Vincent administration staff to issue replacement and provisional voting papers from the dispatch date up to and including election day.

A total of 46 replacement voting papers were issued for these elections, as indicated in Appendix 3.

No provisional election packages were issued.

VOTING PACKAGES RECEIVED

Appendix 4 contains daily totals of voting packages received from Australia Post. Approximately 27.7% of the final number was received following the end of the first full week after lodgement. By way of comparison, 13.7% were returned during the same period in the 2019 ordinary postal elections.

CHECKING OF POSTAL VOTING PAPERS

In accordance with regulation 52, the checking process was conducted prior to election day at the Commission's Processing Centre from Tuesday 28 September 2021.

Postal voting packages were checked to ensure that the elector certificates had been completed correctly and electors' names were then marked off the roll using the barcode scanning process. The elector certificates were then removed so that the ballot paper envelopes had no identifying voter information on them. The ballot papers were then removed from the ballot paper envelopes and placed in a sealed ballot box. Some packages did not contain a ballot paper; therefore the number of packages recorded as received was not equal to the number of ballot papers admitted to the count.

ELECTION DAY

Section 4.62 of the Act requires that there must be at least one polling place in the district open between the hours of 8.00 am and 6.00 pm on election day. This polling place was located at the City of Vincent, 244 Vincent Street, LEEDERVILLE.

Staff at this polling place accepted hand-delivered voting packages and issued replacement and provisional voting papers.

COUNTING OF VOTES

Ballot boxes were opened after 6.00 pm and papers were sorted and counted by staff.

DECLARATION OF RESULTS

The Returning Officer publicly declared the results of the election following the completion of counting and crosschecking by the Commission Head Office staff, in accordance with section 4.77 of the Act.

The following candidates were elected to the council of the City of Vincent for the terms given below.

Ward	Expiry of Term	Councillors Elected
North	18 October 2025	CASTLE, Alex
North	18 October 2025	ALEXANDER, Ron
North	21 October 2023	WORNER, Suzanne
South	18 October 2025	HALLETT, Jonathan
South	18 October 2025	IOPPOLO, Ross

Appendix 5 contains complete details of the election results.

The Returning Officer subsequently gave local public notice of the result in accordance with regulation 80.

The result was transmitted to the Commission and uploaded to the Commission's website.

REFUND OF NOMINATION FEES

Nomination fees were refunded to all candidates who were elected. Those candidates who received at least 5% of the total number of valid votes included in the count also had their nomination fee refunded.

STORAGE OF ELECTION MATERIAL

Following the election all ballot papers, forms and election material used at the election were sealed in security boxes and returned to the City of Vincent for storage in accordance with regulation 82.

ELECTOR PARTICIPATION

In a postal election, the number of electors who return packages measures participation.

A total of 6,787 packages were returned giving a participation rate of 26.24%. The state average for local governments using the postal voting method in 2021 was 30.2%.

Of the total returned, 37 packages had no certificate attached, so no name could be marked off the roll and they were rejected from further scrutiny.

The names of 6,750 electors were marked off the roll. Of these electors, 88 (0.34%) had incomplete elector certificates or were signed on behalf of the elector and were rejected from further scrutiny by the Returning Officer.

The remaining 6,662 election packages were opened. Of these, 2 packages contained no ballot papers. As a result, 6,660 councillor ballot papers were admitted to the count, as shown in Appendix 6.

Appendix 7 details enrolment and voter participation. Other details on voter participation are at Appendices 8 to 11.

CANDIDATE PARTICIPATION

Appendix 12 provides statistical information on the candidates.

UNCLAIMED MAIL

As at Friday 12 November 2021, 704 election packages had been returned as unclaimed mail, representing 2.72% of the total number of packages dispatched. Of these, 692 were from electors on the residents roll and 8 were from electors on the owners and occupiers roll.

The details of unclaimed mail from electors on the residents roll have been forwarded to the Australian Electoral Commission to verify an ongoing entitlement to be enrolled. If not, the process to have their names removed from the roll will commence.

Details of unclaimed mail from electors on the owner's and occupier's roll have been sent to the City of Vincent for follow-up.

LATE MAIL

Between 6.00 pm on 16 October 2021 and close of business on Friday 22 October 2021, 213 election packages (0.82% of the total dispatched) were returned too late to be admitted to the count.

Electors are encouraged to post their votes early, but a small number of packages are invariably either posted late or delayed in the mail.

STATUTORY REPORT

In accordance with regulation 81, a report of the result of the election was sent to the Minister for Local Government on Friday 29 October 2021.

COMPLAINTS

Over the 2021 Local Government period the Feedback team at the Commission's Head Office received over 400 queries and complaints. Complaints were made and resolved through a variety of channels, typically commencing with the Returning Officer. As a consequence, many straight-forward complaints were addressed without the need to refer the matter to the Feedback team.

Typical issues involved misleading material, authorisation, social media activity, signage and candidate and campaign conduct. Matters were dealt with in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and associated Regulations. Most issues were able to be resolved within 2 working days with a small number of more complex matters requiring more time.!

APPENDICES

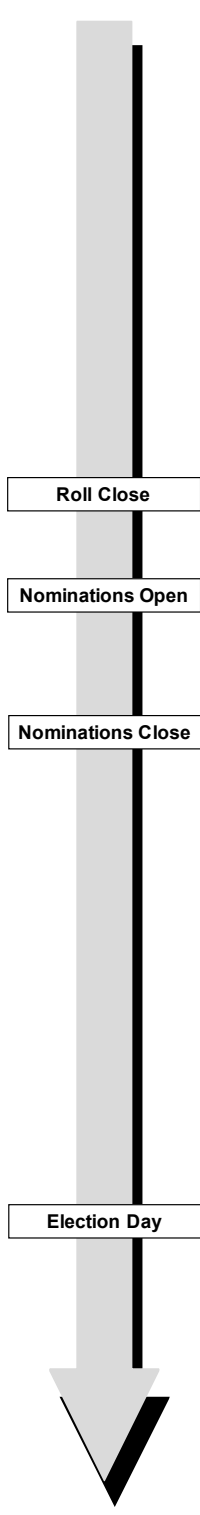


Appendix 1: Election Timetable

POSTAL ELECTION TIMETABLE 2021 Local Government Ordinary Election

Days to Polling Day	Local Government Act	References to Act/Regs	Day	Date
80	Last day for declaration to have the Electoral Commissioner conduct a postal election.	LGA 4.20 (2)(3)(4)	Wed	28/07/2021
80	A decision made to conduct the election as a postal election cannot be rescinded after the 80th day.	LGA 4.61(5)	Wed	28/07/2021
70	Electoral Commissioner to appoint a person to be the Returning Officer of the Local Government for the election.	LGA 4.20 (4)	Sat	7/08/2021
70 to 56	Between the 70th/56th day the CEO is to give Statewide public notice of the time and date of close of enrolments. Preferred date Wednesday 11 August 2021	LGA 4.39(2)	Sat to Sat	7/08/2021 to 21/08/2021
56	Last day for the CEO to advise the Electoral Commissioner of the need to prepare a residents roll.	LGA 4.40(1)		21/08/2021
56	Advertising may begin for nominations from 56 days and no later than 45 days before election day. Preferred date Wednesday 25 August 2021	LGA 4.47(1)	Sat	21/08/2021
50	Close roll 5.00 pm	LGA 4.39(1)	Fri	27/08/2021
45	Last day for advertisement to be placed calling for nominations.	LGA 4.47(1)	Wed	1/09/2021
44	Nominations Open First day for candidates to lodge completed nomination paper, in the prescribed form, with the Returning Officer. Nominations period is open for 8 days.	LGA 4.49(a)	Thu	2/09/2021
38	If a candidate's nomination is withdrawn not later than 4.00 pm on the 38th day before election day, the candidate's deposit is to be refunded.	Reg. 27(5)	Wed	8/09/2021
37	Close of Nominations 4.00 pm on the 37th day before election day.	LGA 4.49(a)	Thu	9/09/2021
36	Last day for the CEO to prepare & certify an owners & occupiers roll for the election. Last day for the Electoral Commissioner to prepare & certify a residents roll.	LGA 4.41(1) LGA 4.40(2)	Fri	10/09/2021
29	Commencement of lodgement of Country Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.		Fri	17/09/2021
24	Commencement of lodgement of Metropolitan Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.		Wed	22/09/2021
22	The preparation of any consolidated roll under subregulation (1) be completed on or before 22nd day before election day.	Reg. 18(2)	Fri	24/09/2021
19	Public Holiday		Mon	27/09/2021
19	Last day for the Returning Officer to give Statewide public notice of the election. Preferred date Wednesday 15 September 2021	LGA 4.64(1)	Mon	27/09/2021
18	Commence processing returned election packages		Tue	28/09/2021
0	Election Day Close of poll 6.00 pm	LGA 4.7	Sat	16/10/2021

Post Election Day	Post Declaration	References to Act/Regs	Day	Date
5	Election result advertisement.	LGA 4.77	Thu	21/10/2021
14	Report to Minister. The report relating to an election under section 4.79 is to be provided to the Minister within 14 days after the declaration of the result of the election.	Reg.81	Sat	30/10/2021
28	An invalidity complaint is to be made to a Court of Disputed Returns, constituted by a magistrate, but can only be made within 28 days after notice is given of the result of the election.	LGA 4.81(1)	Sat	13/11/2021



Appendix 2: Noticeboard advertisements

1. CLOSE OF ENROLMENTS
2. CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
3. ELECTION NOTICE
4. NOTICE OF RESULTS





CITY OF VINCENT

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION

CLOSE OF ENROLMENTS

City of Vincent

ROLL CLOSE: 5:00 PM Friday, 27 August 2021

You may be eligible to be enrolled to vote in the local government elections on 16 October 2021 if you live in or are an owner or occupier of rateable property in the City of Vincent.

Residents

You are automatically enrolled to vote if you are on the State Electoral Roll as at 5:00 PM Friday, 27 August 2021. If you are not already on the State Electoral Roll and meet the eligibility criteria, or if you have changed address recently, you must complete an enrolment form.

Enrolment Forms

Electoral enrolment forms are available from the City of Vincent, all Australian Electoral Commission offices (www.aec.gov.au) or the Western Australian Electoral Commission (www.elections.wa.gov.au) and must be completed and reach a Divisional Returning Officer in Western Australia by 5:00 PM Friday, 27 August 2021.

Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers

If you are a non-resident owner or occupier of rateable property in the City of Vincent and are on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, you are eligible to enrol to vote. If you are **not** on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll and own or occupy rateable property in the City of Vincent you may be eligible to enrol to vote. This applies if you were on the last electoral roll for the City of Vincent prior to May 1996 and have owned or occupied rateable property in the district continuously since this time. Please contact your local government for details. Owners of land who were on the last Local Government roll continue to retain that status until they cease to own the rateable property to which the enrolment relates. Occupiers do not have continuous enrolment and should contact the City of Vincent to confirm their enrolment status. To be eligible to enrol as an occupier, you will need to have a right of continuous occupation under a lease, tenancy agreement or other legal instrument for at least the next three months following the date of the application to enrol.

Joint Owners and Occupiers

If a rateable property is owned or occupied by more than two people, a majority of the owners/occupiers may nominate two persons from amongst themselves who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

Corporations

A body corporate that owns or occupies rateable property may nominate two people who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

Enrolment Forms – Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers Only

Enrolment forms can be obtained from local governments and must be lodged with the Chief Executive Officer by 5:00 PM Friday, 27 August 2021. Further information can be obtained from the City of Vincent.

ROBERT KENNEDY
ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER
13 63 06



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION CALL FOR NOMINATIONS City of Vincent

An Ordinary Postal Election will be held on Saturday, 16 October 2021 in the City of Vincent to fill the following vacancies:

North Ward	2 Councillors	4 year terms
North Ward	1 Councillor	2 year term
South Ward	2 Councillors	4 year terms

Nominations Open on Thursday, 2 September 2021

Nominations Close at 4:00 PM Thursday, 9 September 2021

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer:

- at any time during the above period by arrangement; or
- between 2:00pm and 4:00 PM Thursday, 9 September 2021 (close of nominations) at the City of Vincent, 244 Vincent Street, LEEDERVILLE.

Nominations Requirements

Candidates are required to lodge with the Returning Officer:

- a completed nomination in the prescribed form, signed and witnessed. This form is available from the Returning Officer or the Western Australian Electoral Commission(www.elections.wa.gov.au);
- a single A4 page profile of not more than 800 characters (including spaces) containing information about the candidate;
- a nomination deposit of \$80 (cash, bank cheque or postal order);
- (optional) a recent passport-sized photograph of the candidate's head, or head and shoulders; and
- every candidate must have completed the online course titled *Induction for prospective candidates*, available at www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au, prior to nominating.

The Commission has developed an online system called Nomination Builder to assist candidates to complete their nomination form which includes the candidate profile. This is the preferred method of completing the nomination form and profile for elections conducted by the Commission. Candidates complete their nomination details and profile, print the completed form which has a reference number allocated and lodge it with the Returning Officer. The nomination builder can be accessed via www.elections.wa.gov.au.

Where an agent lodges a nomination on a candidate's behalf, it must be in the prescribed form with a written authorisation signed by the candidate.

The documents may be hand delivered or posted to the Returning Officer and must be received by the close of nominations.

Information

Full details about eligibility and nomination procedures for prospective candidates can be obtained by contacting the Returning Officer, **Jennifer VAN DEN HOEK** on 0458 802 349 or the Western Australian Electoral Commission on 13 63 06.

ROBERT KENNEDY
ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER





CITY OF VINCENT

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY POSTAL ELECTION ELECTION NOTICE

City of Vincent

(Local Government Act 195, s4.64)

The City of Vincent is holding an election by postal vote on Saturday, 16 October 2021 to fill vacancies in the offices of Councillors as listed below:

North Ward

3 Councillors

FOTAKIS, Joanne
LIEBLICH, Adina
WORNER, Suzanne
KNOTT, Bonnie
ALEXANDER, Ron
CASTLE, Alex

South Ward

2 Councillors

HALLETT, Jonathan
SWANSON, Ben
IOPPOLO, Ross
MADDEN, Amanda
DURWARD, Trent
O'KEEFE, Joshua

Election Packages will be sent to all electors on the local government electoral roll where there is an election in their electorate.

Replacement Packages can be obtained from the City of Vincent Library, 99 Loftus Street Leederville during business hours prior to election day and from the polling place in the district between 8.00am to 6.00pm on election day if the package is not received or should any papers be missing.

Post your vote early. Completed postal voting packages must reach the Returning Officer by 6.00pm on election day, Saturday, 16 October 2021.

You may hand deliver your package to an electoral officer at the City of Vincent Library, 99 Loftus Street Street Leederville during business hours before election day or at the polling place in the district between 8.00am and 6.00pm on election day.

Chief Polling Place:

City of Vincent, 244 Vincent Street, LEEDERVILLE

The count of votes will commence at 6.00pm at the City of Vincent, 244 Vincent Street, LEEDERVILLE.

ROBERT KENNEDY
ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER
13 63 06



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY POSTAL ELECTION NOTICE OF RESULTS City of Vincent

The result of the Ordinary Election conducted as a postal vote on Saturday, 16 October 2021 is as follows:

Ward	Position	Candidates	Votes	Term of Office
North Ward	3 Councillors	FOTAKIS, Joanne	1,380	
		LIEBLICH, Adina	1,251	
		WORNER, Suzanne	1,564	2 year term
		KNOTT, Bonnie	872	
		ALEXANDER, Ron	1,775	4 year term
		CASTLE, Alex	1,821	4 year term
South Ward	2 Councillors	HALLETT, Jonathan	1,437	4 year term
		SWANSON, Ben	573	
		IOPPOLO, Ross	979	4 year term
		MADDEN, Amanda	920	
		DURWARD, Trent	900	
		O'KEEFE, Joshua	978	

Alexandra CASTLE is elected as Councillor for the North Ward and will hold office until 18 October 2025.

Ronald James ALEXANDER is elected as Councillor for the North Ward and will hold office until 18 October 2025.

SUZANNE GAIL WORNER is elected as Councillor for the North Ward and will hold office until 21 October 2023.

Jonathan David HALLETT is elected as Councillor for the South Ward and will hold office until 18 October 2025.

Ross IOPPOLO is elected as Councillor for the South Ward and will hold office until 18 October 2025.

Jennifer VAN DEN HOEK
RETURNING OFFICER
0458 802 349



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Appendix 3

Replacement and Provisional Election Packages Issued

WARD	Replacement Election Packages	Provisional Election Packages
North	18	0
South	28	0
Total	46	0



Appendix 4:

Receipt of packages from Australia Post

Business Days To Election	Daily Receipts	Cumulative totals	% of packages issued	% of packages received
15	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
14	9	9	0.0%	0.1%
13	1	10	0.0%	0.2%
12	296	306	1.2%	5.0%
11	318	624	2.4%	10.2%
10	1,068	1,692	6.5%	27.7%
9	56	1,748	6.8%	28.6%
8	899	2,647	10.2%	43.3%
7	794	3,441	13.3%	56.3%
6	433	3,874	15.0%	63.3%
5	353	4,227	16.3%	69.1%
4	309	4,536	17.5%	74.2%
3	610	5,146	19.9%	84.1%
2	365	5,511	21.3%	90.1%
1	278	5,789	22.4%	94.6%
0	328	6,117	23.7%	100.0%



Appendix 5

Election Result

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
FOTAKIS, Joanne	1380	(15.93%)	
LIEBLICH, Adina	1251	(14.44%)	
WORNER, Suzanne	1564	(18.05%)	21 October 2023
KNOTT, Bonnie	872	(10.07%)	
ALEXANDER, Ron	1775	(20.49%)	18 October 2025
CASTLE, Alex	1821	(21.02%)	18 October 2025
Total Valid Votes	8663		
Informal	11	(0.13%)	
Total Votes Received	8674		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HALLETT, Jonathan	1437	(24.83%)	18 October 2025
SWANSON, Ben	573	(9.90%)	
IOPPOLO, Ross	979	(16.92%)	18 October 2025
MADDEN, Amanda	920	(15.90%)	
DURWARD, Trent	900	(15.55%)	
O'KEEFE, Joshua	978	(16.90%)	
Total Valid Votes	5787		
Informal	20	(0.34%)	
Total Votes Received	5807		



Appendix 6

Checking Process and Ballot Paper Reconciliation

Number of packages dispatched	25,865
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Packages returned by voters	Packages	% of electors
Total returned (This is defined as the participation rate)	6,787	26.2%
Rejected from further checking - elector not identified	37	0.1%
Total envelopes to be checked	6,750	26.1%

Elector certificate check		
Rejected - declaration not signed	88	0.3%
Rejected - person ineligible	0	0.0%
Total ballot paper envelopes to be opened	6,662	25.8%

Ballot paper extraction	Councillor	% of eligible electors
Total ballot paper envelopes to be opened	6,662	25.8%
No ballot paper enclosed	2	0.0%
Too many ballot papers	0	0.0%
Admitted by RO determination	0	0.0%
Ballot papers admitted to count	6,660	25.7%

Count of ballot papers

Formal ballot papers	6,629	25.6%
Informal ballot papers	31	0.1%
Total ballot papers counted	6,660	25.7%



Appendix 7

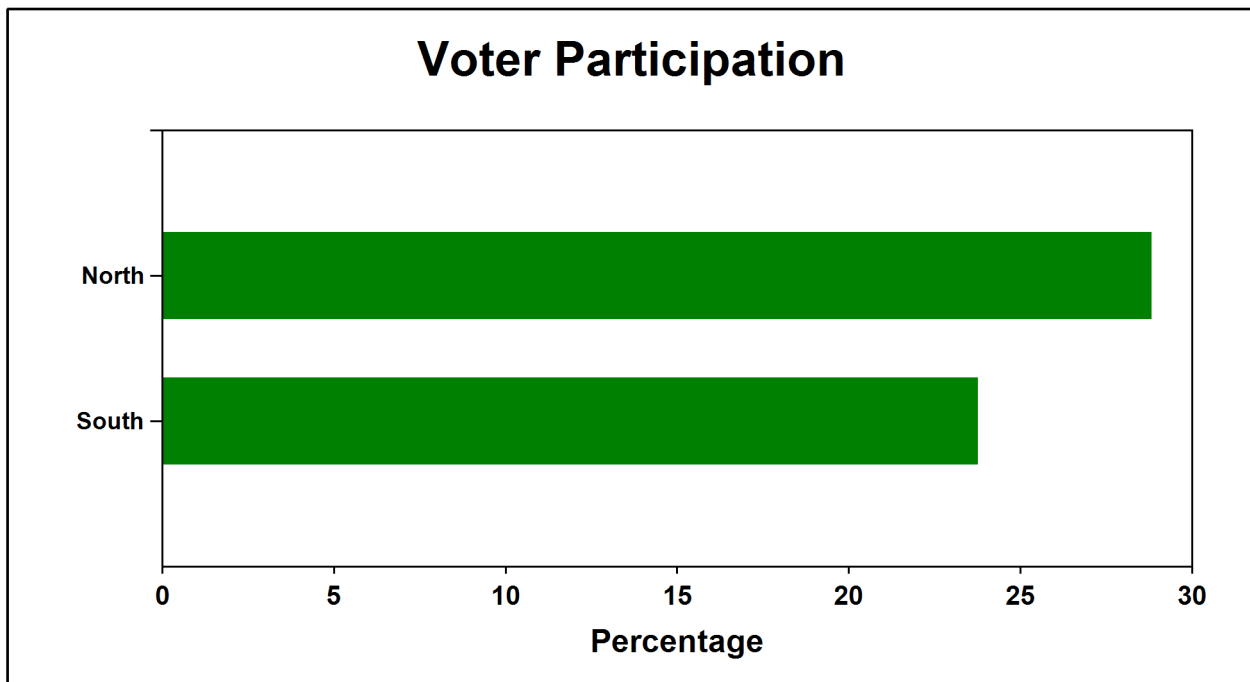
Enrolment and Voter Participation

WARD	Enrolment ¹	Voters Participation ²	Percentage Participation
North	11897	3431	28.8%
South	13968	3319	23.8%
Not identified ³		37	
Total	25865	6787	26.2%

¹ Enrolment - electors at the close of roll, corrections up to close of poll and provisional voters.

² Voters participation - returned voting packages (accepted and rejected).

³ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.



Appendix 8

Elector and Voter Participation by Age

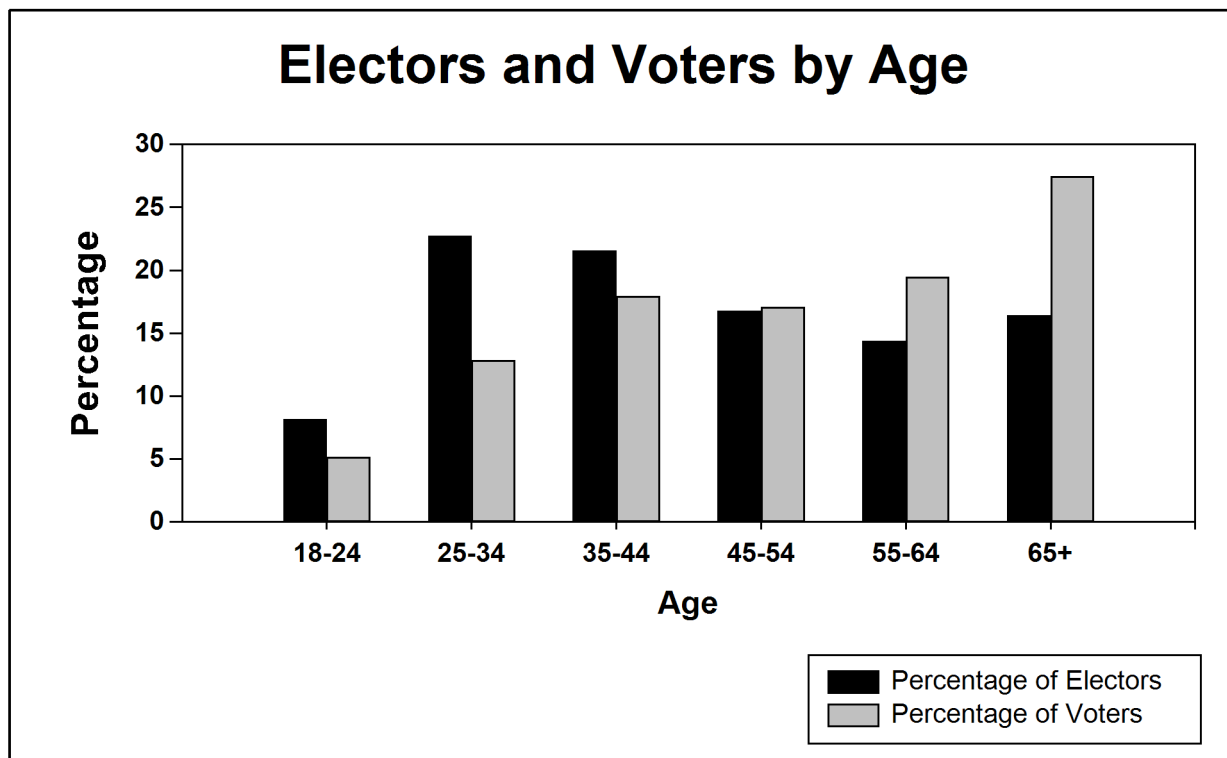
Age	Electors ¹	Percentage of Electors	Voters ²	Percentage of Voters
18-24	2107	8.1%	350	5.2%
25-34	5874	22.7%	869	12.9%
35-44	5579	21.6%	1210	17.9%
45-54	4341	16.8%	1152	17.1%
55-64	3713	14.4%	1316	19.5%
65+	4251	16.4%	1853	27.5%
No DOB ³	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Not identified ⁴			37	
Total	25865	100.0%	6787	100.0%

¹ Elector figures for contested elections only.

² Voters - returned voting packages (accepted and rejected).

³ No DOB - Voters for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

⁴ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.



Appendix 9

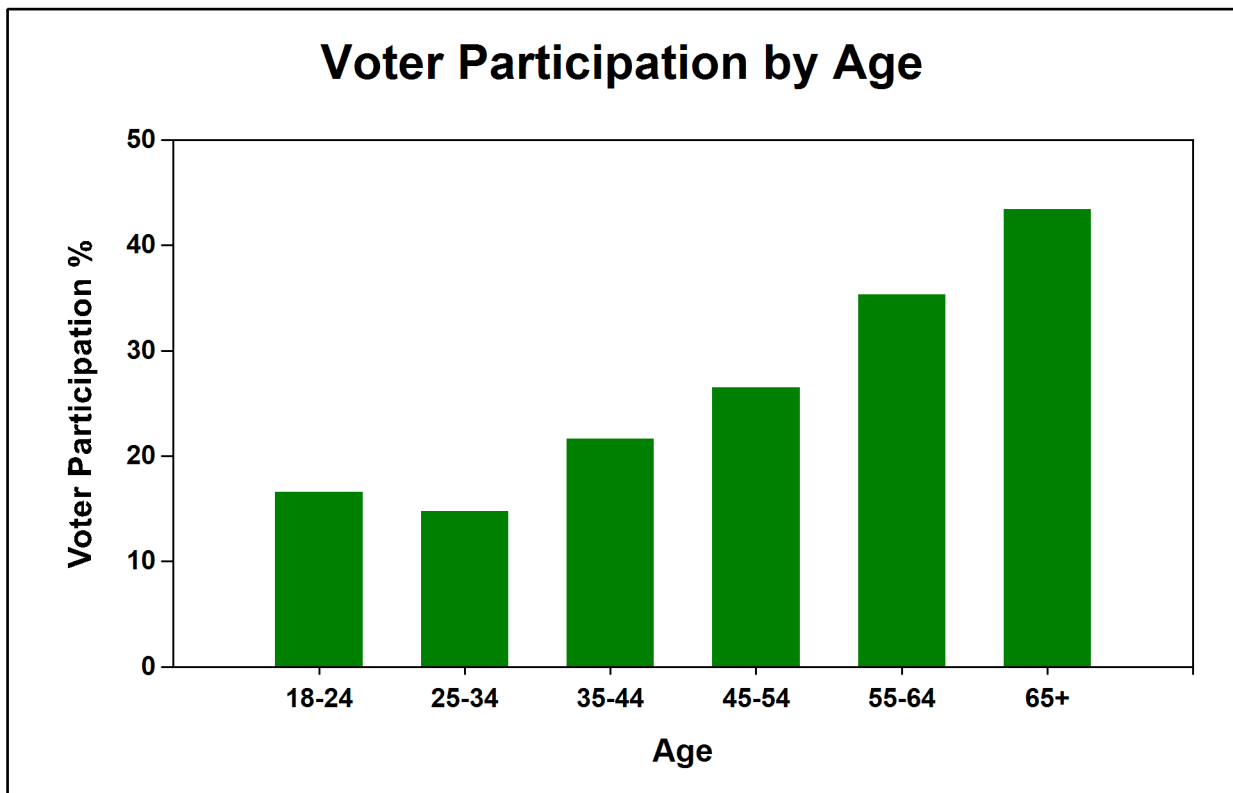
Voter Participation by Age

WARD	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	No DOB ²	Total
North	212	351	572	679	730	887	0	3431
South	138	518	638	473	586	966	0	3319
Not identified ³								37
Total Voters	350	869	1210	1152	1316	1853	0	6787
Total Electors	2107	5874	5579	4341	3713	4251	0	25865
Voter Participation	16.6%	14.8%	21.7%	26.5%	35.4%	43.6%		26.2%

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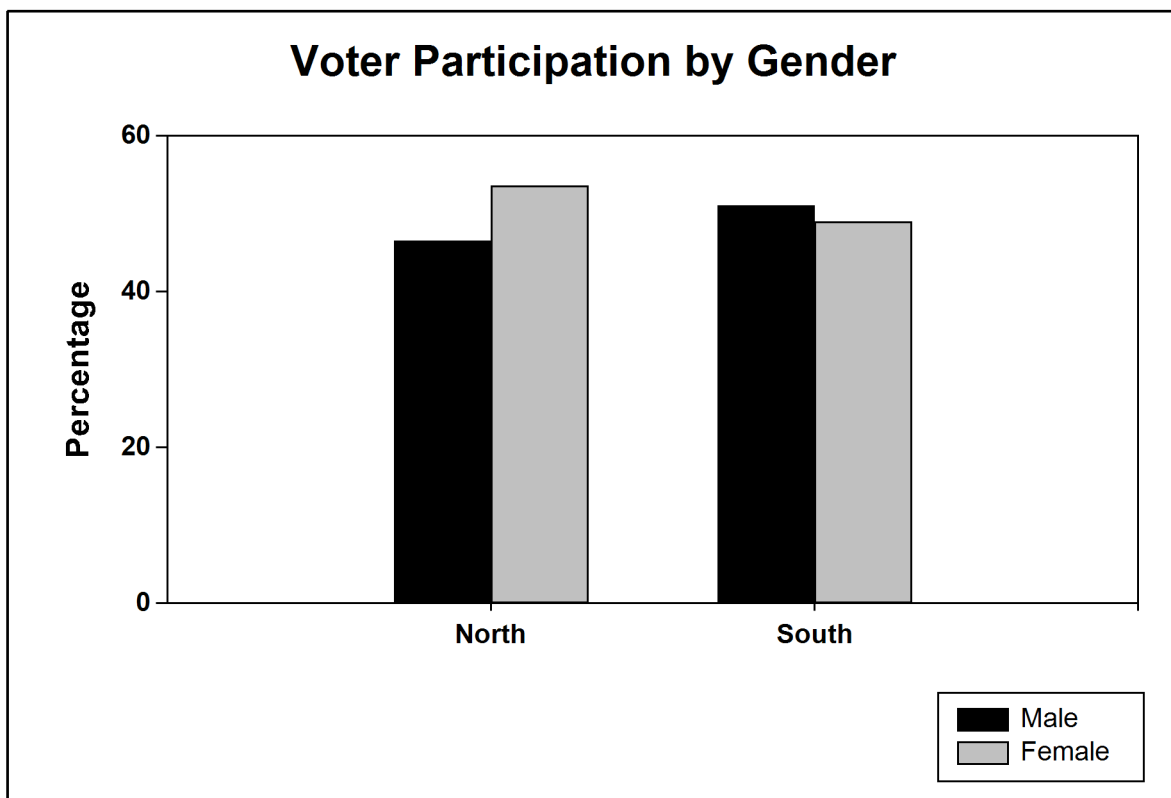


Appendix 10

Voter Participation by Gender

WARD	Male		Female		Not Identified ¹	Total
	Number	%	Number	%		
North	1592	46.5%	1835	53.5%		3427
South	1689	51.0%	1620	49.0%		3309
Total	3281	48.4%	3455	51.0%	37	6773

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Appendix 11

Elector and Voter Participation by Enrolment Category

Electors by Ward and Enrolment Category¹

WARD	Residents		Owners / Occupiers		Total
North	11753	45.4%	144	0.6%	11897
South	13669	52.8%	299	1.2%	13968
Total	25422	98.3%	443	1.7%	25865

Voter Participation by Ward and Enrolment Category¹

WARD	Residents		Owners / Occupiers		Total
North	3357	49.7%	74	1.1%	3431
South	3182	47.1%	137	2.0%	3319
Not identified ²					37
Total	6539	96.9%	211	3.1%	6787

¹ Elector figures for contested elections only.

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Appendix 12

Candidacy Statistics

Number of Candidates

<u>Electorate</u>	<u>Number of Candidates</u>
North	6
South	6
Total	12

City of Vincent Candidate Information

Number of male candidates	6
Number of female candidates	6
Number of male candidates elected	3
Number of female candidates elected	2
Number of sitting members re-elected	2
Number of sitting members not re-elected	1
Average age of candidates	45
Age range of candidates	32 - 70

