2011 State General Election

Legislative Assembly

The Distribution of Preferences shown below identifies the candidate who has won the election after a full distribution of preferences.

There may be a small variation in the votes shown in the last two candidates in this count to that shown in the Two Candidate Preferred (TCP) count. The Electoral Commissioner accepts these variations as an outcome of a manual count process where the variation has no material impact on the outcome of the election.

Preferential Count explanation

The Preferential Count page displays a progressive count where a candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated and his/her ballot papers are distributed to the remaining candidates according to the next available preference shown on the ballot paper.

To be elected, a candidate must obtain more than 50% + 1 of the total formal votes in the count. First, all the number "1" votes are counted for each candidate. These are called First Preference Votes. If a candidate has more than half the total of First Preference Votes, that candidate is elected.

If no candidate has more than half of the first preferences, the candidate with the fewest votes is excluded. That candidate's votes are moved on to the other candidates according to the second preference (the 2's) shown by the voters on that candidate's ballot papers. Ballot papers which only show a first preference vote are excluded and are not considered as part of the count.

This process progresses excluding the candidate with the fewest votes until one candidate has more than half the total votes remaining in the count and is declared elected.

Distribution of Preferences Countsheet

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Electoral District	**Wallsend**
Election Day:	**26 March 2011**

Current as at : 2/04/2011 18:40

Candidates	First Preference Votes	Count 2 BRODERICK Ray Excluded 864 Votes — VOTES DISTRIBUTED	Count 2 PROGRESSIVE TOTALS	Count 3 WEATHERSTONE Andrew Excluded 1019 Votes — VOTES DISTRIBUTED	Count 3 PROGRESSIVE TOTALS	Count 4 JACKSON Michael Excluded 2111 Votes — VOTES DISTRIBUTED	Count 4 PROGRESSIVE TOTALS	Count 5 PARSONS Keith Excluded 3939 Votes — VOTES DISTRIBUTED	Count 5 PROGRESSIVE TOTALS	Count 6 CONNELL Shayne Excluded 7668 Votes — VOTES DISTRIBUTED	Count 6 PROGRESSIVE TOTALS	VOTES DISTRIBUTED	PROGRESSIVE TOTALS	VOTES DISTRIBUTED	PROGRESSIVE TOTALS
JACKSON Michael (Independent)	2,013	43	2,056	55	2,111										
PARSONS Keith (The Greens)	3,617	37	3,654	17	3,671	268	3,939								
CONNELL Shayne (Independent)	6,147	45	6,192	107	6,299	463	6,762	906	7,668						
DOLAN Chris (Liberal)	12,862	50	12,912	345	13,257	111	13,368	220	13,588	1,986	15,574				
HORNERY Sonia (Labor)	17,275	67	17,342	100	17,442	142	17,584	1,143	18,727	1,587	20,314		**ELECTED**		
WEATHERSTONE Andrew (Christian Democratic Party)	877	142	1,019												
BRODERICK Ray (Family First)	864														
Total Formal Votes	43,655	384	43,175	624	42,780	984	41,653	2,269	39,983	3,573	35,888				
Exhausted Votes		480	480	395	875	1,127	2,002	1,670	3,672	4,095	7,767				
Total Informal Votes	1,620		1,620		1,620		1,620		1,620		1,620				
Total Votes	45,275	864	45275	1019	45275	2111	45275	3939	45275	7668	45275				

Absolute Majority:	21,828	21,588	21,391	20,827	19,992	17,945		

Congratulations, distribution complete.

HORNERY Sonia (Labor) will be elected
provided no recount required.

Returning Officer Signature   /   /   Date

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