



TASMANIA

The 2007-08
Redistribution of
Legislative Council
Electoral Boundaries

Initial
Transition
Proposal



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Summary of the New Divisions — Determined 10 May 2008

Name of Proposed Division	Area (sq km)	Actual 30 September 2007 Enrolment	% difference from Quota* (23 183)	Projected 30 September 2012 Enrolment	% difference from ADE* (24 084)
Apsley	19 204.33	22 665	-2.2	23 226	-3.6
Derwent	8 760.90	23 391	0.9	25 146	4.4
Elwick	103.49	25 010	7.9	24 668	2.4
Hobart <i>(formerly Wellington)</i>	50.33	23 448	1.1	24 163	0.3
Huon	6 640.26 ¹	22 354	-3.6	23 738	-1.4
Launceston <i>(formerly Paterson)</i>	52.63	23 012	-0.7	24 246	0.7
Mersey	237.43	22 918	-1.1	23 390	-2.9
Montgomery	1 445.95	23 581	1.7	24 360	1.1
Murchison	19 675.25	23 798	2.7	24 304	0.9
Nelson	87.22	21 706	-6.4	22 949	-4.7
Pembroke	54.94	24 321	4.9	24 875	3.3
Rosevears	799.63	23 183	0.0	24 189	0.4
Rumney	1 668.16	23 316	0.6	24 914	3.4
Western Tiers <i>(formerly Rowallan)</i>	9 849.10	22 147	-4.5	23 503	-2.4
Windermere	816.36	22 892	-1.3	23 595	-2.0
TOTAL		347 742		361 266	

*Quota = Average Council Divisional Enrolment as at 30 September 2007, rounded to the nearest integer

*ADE = Projected Average Council Divisional Enrolment for 30 September 2012, rounded to the nearest integer

¹ Includes a value of 124 sq km for Macquarie Island

Section 29H Notice

Initial Transition Proposal

The Redistribution Tribunal invites public attention to its Initial Transition Proposal as shown on the following pages. Further copies are available for perusal and supply from our designated public offices (*Service Tasmania*) or by contacting the redistribution secretariat on the freecall number shown on page 2 of this booklet.

Comments, Suggestions or Objections

Within the period of 14 days after this publication, a person or organisation may lodge with the Redistribution Tribunal a written comment, suggestion or objection in relation to the Initial Transition Proposal.

Written submissions relating to the Initial Transition Proposal must be lodged by no later than 5:00PM on Monday 9 June 2008.

Written submissions can be sent to the Redistribution Tribunal by post, facsimile or email at the addresses shown on page 2 of this booklet.

Public Hearing

The Redistribution Tribunal is to hold an inquiry, the subject of which is to be —

"Comments, suggestions or objections received in relation to the Initial Transition Proposal relating to transition arrangements to implement the redistribution of the State in respect of the Legislative Council."

**The public hearing will commence at 10am on Wednesday
11 June 2008 on the 2nd floor, Telstra Centre, 70 Collins St, Hobart**

Those people or organisations wishing to be heard at the inquiry are asked to contact the redistribution secretariat as soon as possible.

Access to Submissions

Copies of all written submissions received will be sent to all those who make a submission and/or wish to be heard. They are also available to members of the public from our designated public offices (*Service Tasmania*), the Tasmanian Electoral Commission, and will be put on the Tasmanian Electoral Commission's website as they are received.

Further information on the transition process is available from the Assistant, Mr Julian Type, who may be contacted on the freecall number shown on page 2 of this booklet.

Transition Arrangements Process

The Redistribution Tribunal determined the names and boundaries of the 15 Legislative Council divisions on 10 May 2008.

The Tribunal is required to determine the allocation of members to the new Legislative Council divisions, the periodical cycle of elections, and other matters, if any, associated with the implementation of the redistribution.

The Tribunal invited any person to make a written submission, or to appear before the Tribunal at a public hearing, in relation to the transition arrangements. No person made a submission or requested to appear at the public hearing. The Tribunal now publishes its Initial Transition Proposal in accordance with Section 29F(1) of the *Legislative Council Electoral Boundaries Act 1995*.

The Tribunal intends, as necessary, to conduct a hearing into matters relating to its Initial Transition Proposal on 4 June 2008. The Redistribution Tribunal will then make and publish a Final Transition Determination as soon as practicable after the completion of its deliberations.

Richard Bingham Chairperson of the Redistribution Tribunal 24 May 2008

Initial Transition Proposal by the Redistribution Tribunal

The initial proposal by the Redistribution Tribunal is to make a determination as follows:

PART 1—PRELIMINARY

Commencement

- 1 This determination takes effect on the date of its publication in the *Gazette*.

Interpretation

- 2 In this determination, unless the contrary intention appears—
"allocated Member" of the Council means a Member of the Council who is allocated to a Council division under this determination;
"Council" means the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Tasmania;
"Council division" means an electoral division for the return of a Member to the Council determined on the last redistribution of the State into Council divisions on 6 February 1999 under the *Legislative Council Electoral Boundaries Act 1995*;
"Member" means a Member of the Council;

PART 2—REPRESENTATION OF NEW LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL DIVISIONS

Allocation of Members to Legislative Council divisions

3 (1) With effect from the date of this publication in the *Gazette* the following Members of the Council are allocated to Council divisions in accordance with the following table—

Council division	Allocated Member
Apsley.....	Hon TV Rattray-Wagner
Derwent.....	Hon MA Aird
Elwick.....	Hon TL Martin
Hobart.....	Hon DJ Parkinson
Huon.....	Hon AP Harriss
Launceston.....	Hon DG Wing
Mersey.....	Mrs NM Jamieson
Montgomery.....	Hon SL Smith
Murchison.....	Hon RJ Forrest
Nelson.....	Hon JS Wilkinson
Pembroke.....	Hon AM Ritchie
Rosevears.....	Hon K Finch
Runney.....	Ms LE Thorp
Western Tiers.....	Hon GR Hall
Windermere.....	Mr IN Dean

(2) A Member of the Council allocated to a particular Council division under subclause (1) is taken to have been elected for, and is to represent, the relevant Council division.

PART 3—CYCLE OF PERIODICAL ELECTIONS

Periodical elections

4 A periodical election is to be held for a Council division in the year of the first periodical election specified in the following table and thereafter in each sixth year after the last periodical election for that Council division—

Council division	Year of first periodical election
Derwent	2009
Mersey.....	2009
Windermere.....	2009
Apsley.....	2010
Elwick	2010
Launceston.....	2011
Murchison	2011
Rumney	2011
Hobart.....	2012
Western Tiers.....	2012
Montgomery.....	2013
Nelson.....	2013
Pembroke	2013
Huon	2014
Rosevears.....	2014

Initial Transition Proposal—Reasons

Sections 29A to 29L of the *Legislative Council Electoral Boundaries Act 1995* require the Redistribution Tribunal to determine transition arrangements to implement a redistribution. A number of the powers in Section 29A were relevant to the reduction from 19 to 15 of the number of members of the Legislative Council in 1999, but do not need to be exercised in relation to the 2007-08 redistribution.

The task facing the present Tribunal is to allocate members to divisions in accordance with section 29A(5)(a), and to establish the periodical cycle of elections in accordance with Section 29A(5)(d).

The allocation of members to divisions can be readily achieved using the principle stated in Section 29A(9)(d) “that a member will generally be allocated to a new Council division where the electors from the member’s current division comprise the greater number of electors in the new division.”

The table at Appendix I shows that Hobart is the division most affected by the redistribution, yet is still 84.3% comprised of its original electors. All members can therefore be allocated a new division where their former electors comprise between 84% and 100% of their new constituents.

The principles stated in Sections 29A(9)(a)-(c), dealing with the continuity of members’ terms, continuity of representation, and non-concurrent elections in contiguous divisions, also make retention of the current election cycle desirable.

Note: The figure alongside the name of each division represents the percentage of electors from the previous division contained in the new division as at 30 September 2007.

DIVISION OF APSLEY: 98.2%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Apsley	22 268	22 821
Division of Derwent	149	157
Division of Rowallan	248	248
Total	22 665	23 226

DIVISION OF HUON: 100%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Huon	22 354	23 738
Total	22 354	23 738

Division of DERWENT: 100%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Derwent	23 391	25 146
Total	23 391	25 146

Division of LAUNCESTON: 100%*(formerly Paterson)*

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Paterson	23 012	24 246
Total	23 012	24 246

Division of ELWICK: 87.1%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Elwick	21 788	21 570
Division of Wellington	3 222	3 098
Total	25 010	24 668

Division of MERSEY: 100%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Mersey	22 918	23 390
Total	22 918	23 390

Division of HOBART: 84.3%*(formerly Wellington)*

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Wellington	19 776	20 339
Division of Nelson	3 592	3 743
Division of Elwick	80	81
Total	23 448	24 163

Division of MONTGOMERY: 100%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Montgomery	23 581	24 360
Total	23 581	24 360

Division of MURCHISON: 100%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Murchison	23 798	24 304
Total	23 798	24 304

Division of NELSON: 92.1%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Nelson	19 951	21 105
Division of Huon	1 755	1 844
Total	21 706	22 949

Division of PEMBROKE: 96.1%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Pembroke	23 377	23 928
Division of Rumney	521	535
Division of Derwent	423	412
Total	24 321	24 875

Division of ROSEVEARS: 99.4%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Rosevears	23 036	24 025
Division of Rowallan	147	164
Total	23 183	24 189

Division of RUMNEY: 98.3%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Rumney	22 831	24 352
Division of Derwent	485	562
Total	23 316	24 914

Division of WESTERN TIERS: 96.1%

(formerly Rowallan)

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Rowallan	21 279	22 519
Division of Paterson	868	984
Total	22 147	23 503

Division of WINDERMERE: 97.2%

<i>Previous Divisions</i>	<i>Actual Enrolment 30 September 2007</i>	<i>Projected Enrolment 30 September 2012</i>
Division of Windermere	22 254	22 963
Division of Apsley	638	632
Total	22 892	23 595

The following locations have been designated as Public Offices for the purposes of the *Legislative Council Electoral Boundaries Act 1995*.

Beaconsfield	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Council Chambers, West St</i>
Bridgewater	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 28 Green Point Rd</i>
Burnie	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Reece House, 48 Cattley St</i>
Campbell Town	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Town Hall, Main Rd</i>
Currie	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 15 George St</i>
Deloraine	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 8 Emu Bay Rd</i>
Devonport	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 21 Oldaker St</i>
George Town	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 16-18 Anne St</i>
Glenorchy	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 4 Terry St</i>
Hobart	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 134 Macquarie St</i>
Huonville	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Huon LINC Building, 14 Skinner Dr</i>
Kingston	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Shop 87A Channel Court</i>
Launceston	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Henty House, 1 Civic Sq</i>
Longford	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Shop 3, 10 Marlborough St</i>
New Norfolk	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 14 Bathurst St</i>
Oatlands	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 71 High St</i>
Queenstown	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 2 Sticht St</i>
Rosny	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Library, Bligh St</i>
Scottsdale	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Council Chambers, 3 Ellenor St</i>
Sheffield	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 64 High St</i>
Smithton	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 130 Nelson St</i>
Sorell	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Shop 3, 5 Fitzroy St</i>
St Helens	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 23 Quail St</i>
Triabunna	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 17 Vicary St</i>
Ulverstone	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 54-56 King Edward St</i>
Whitemark	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, Lagoon Rd</i>
Wynyard	<i>Service Tasmania Shop, 72 Goldie St</i>