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By-election results: 1997-2001

There were 17 by-elections in the 1997 Parliament. Of these by-elections, only two, Romsey and South Antrim, resulted in a change in winning party compared with the 1997 General Election. Ten of the by-elections were caused by the death of the sitting Member of Parliament and five were due to resignations.

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Summary

There were 17 by-elections in the 1997 Parliament. This introduction gives some of the key facts about the results. The tables on pages 4 to 8 summarise the results and pages 9 to 14 give results for each constituency.

The 1997 Parliament was the first where the party in Government has not lost a by-election since 1951-55. The Conservative win in Uxbridge was their first in a by-election since February 1989. The only seats to change hands were Romsey (Conservative to Liberal Democrat), South Antrim (Ulster Unionist to Democratic Unionist) and West Bromwich West which had had been held by the Speaker but was won by Labour on her retirement. There were two Members elected as Conservatives who were sitting as Labour by the end of the Parliament. Also, two Labour and one Conservative had moved to being independents.

State of the Parties: 1997-2001

	At General election: 1 May 1997	At opening of session: 14 May 1997	<i>By- election gains</i>	<i>By- election losses</i>	<i>Other changes</i>	Seats at Dissolution: 14 May 2001
Lab	418	417		-	-	417
Con	165	162		-1	-2	159
LD	46	46	+1	-	-	47
PC/SNP	10	10		-	-	10
Oth	19	19		-	+3	22
Speaker and Deputies	1	4		-	-	4
Vacant seats	-	1	-	-	-	-

Reasons for by-elections

Ten of the by-elections were caused by the death of the sitting Member of Parliament and five were due to resignations, including the retirement of Rt Hon Betty Boothroyd as Speaker. One was due to a Member being awarded a peerage. The "by-election" in Winchester was technically a re-run of the 1997 General Election following a successful legal challenge to the original result.

Share of the vote

Across all 17 by-elections, Labour's share of the votes cast was around 30%. Excluding the West Bromwich West result, Labour's share was 13.5 percentage points lower than in the same constituencies at the 1997 General Election. The Conservative share increased by around one percentage point. The Liberal Democrat share was 7.7 percentage points higher in the by-elections while, in Scotland, the SNP increased their share by 11.2 percentage points.

Turnout

Average turnout across all 17 by-elections was 40.2%. This was 26.7 percentage points lower than the average for the same constituencies at the 1997 General Election. The lowest turnout was 19.6% in Leeds Central. This was the lowest turnout at a by-election in the UK since 1945.

Women candidates

Two of the winning candidates were women, Jacqui Lait and Sandra Gidley, as were two of those leaving Parliament, Audrey Wise and Betty Boothroyd. The total of women MPs at the end of the Parliament was 120, the same as at the beginning, although the total did reach a record 122 after the Romsey by-election. In total, 22 of the 140 candidates at these by-elections were women.

Outstanding vacancies

There were no seats vacant at dissolution.

Notes

Turnout is calculated as the number of valid votes cast (i.e. excluding spoilt ballot papers) as a percentage of the electorate.

Most returning officers were able to provide exact eligible electorates for polling day. These have been used where available. For a few constituencies, returning officers were only able to provide figures for total electorates as first published. In these cases an estimate of the eligible electorate on polling day has been used. This was estimated by applying the proportion of the year that the register had been in force to the number of attainers.

General Election results are taken from *Britain Votes 6*¹ while the by-election results were provided directly by returning officers.

Key to tables * indicates a lost deposit (less than 5 per cent of the total votes cast)
 + indicates a woman candidate

The Winchester “by-election” was technically a re-run of the 1997 General Election in that constituency. The original result, a Liberal Democrat gain from Conservative with a majority of two votes, was challenged and a writ for a re-run issued. Technically, this election was not a by-election and is listed as a Liberal Democrat “win” rather than “hold” or “gain”.

West Bromwich West was not contested by the major parties in 1997 when it was won by The Speaker. As Labour would have been the likely winners of the seat in 1997, it is also not classed as a seat changing hands.

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¹ *Britain Votes 6: British parliamentary election results 1997*. Compiled & edited by Colin Rallings & Michael Thrasher. Dartmouth 1998.

Table 1

Summary of by-election results: 1997-2001

Constituency	Reason for By-election	Date of by-election	Result	New Member
Uxbridge	Death of Sir Michael Shersby (8 May 1997)	31 Jul 1997	Con hold	John Randall
Paisley South	Death of Gordon McMaster (28 Jul 1997)	6 Nov 1997	Lab hold	Douglas Alexander
Beckenham	Resignation of Piers Merchant (21 Oct 1997)	20 Nov 1997	Con hold	Jacqui Lait
Winchester	General Election result challenged, Election Petition (28 Oct 1997)	20 Nov 1997	LD win	Mark Oaten
Leeds Central	Death of Derek Fatchett (9 May 1999)	10 Jun 1999	Lab hold	Hilary Benn
Eddisbury	Resignation of Rt Hon Sir Alastair Goodlad (28 Jun 1999)	22 Jul 1999	Con hold	Stephen O'Brien
Hamilton South	Elevation to Peerage of Rt Hon George Robertson (24 Aug 1999)	23 Sep 1999	Lab hold	Bill Tynan
Wigan	Death of Roger Stott (8 Aug 1999)	23 Sep 1999	Lab hold	Neil Turner
Kensington & Chelsea	Death of Rt Hon Alan Clark (4 Sep 1999)	25 Nov 1999	Con hold	Micheal Portillo
Ceredigion	Resignation of Cynog Dafis (10 Jan 2000)	3 Feb 2000	PC hold	Simon Thomas
Romsey	Death of Sir Michael Colvin (4 May 2000)	4 May 2000	LD gain from Con	Sandra Gidley
Tottenham	Death of Bernie Grant (8 Apr 2000)	22 Jun 2000	Lab hold	David Lammy
South Antrim	Death of Clifford Forsythe (27 Apr 2000)	21 Sep 2000	UDU gain from UUP	William McCrea
Glasgow, Anniesland	Death of Rt Hon Donald Dewar (11 Oct 2000)	23 Nov 2000	Lab hold	John Robertson
Preston	Death of Audrey Wise (2 Sep 2000)	23 Nov 2000	Lab hold	Mark Hendrick
West Bromwich West	Resignation of Rt Hon Betty Boothroyd (23 Oct 2000)	23 Nov 2000	Lab win	Adrian Bailey
Falkirk West	Resignation of Dennis Canavan (11 Nov 2000)	21 Dec 2000	Lab hold	Eric Joyce

Table 2

Share of vote at by-elections: 1997-2001

Great Britain

Constituency	Con	Lab	LD	PC/SNP	Other
Uxbridge	51.1%	39.3%	5.6%		4.0%
Paisley South	7.0%	44.1%	11.0%	32.5%	5.3%
Beckenham	41.2%	37.4%	18.4%		3.0%
Winchester	28.4%	1.7%	68.0%		1.8%
Leeds Central	12.3%	48.2%	30.8%		8.6%
Eddisbury	44.8%	40.2%	13.8%		1.2%
Hamilton South	7.2%	36.8%	3.3%	34.0%	18.7%
Wigan	18.0%	59.6%	13.3%		9.2%
Kensington and Chelsea	56.4%	22.0%	9.4%		12.2%
Ceredigion	16.5%	14.4%	23.0%	42.8%	3.3%
Romsey	42.0%	3.7%	50.6%		3.7%
Tottenham	16.0%	53.5%	19.1%		11.3%
Glasgow, Anniesland	10.8%	52.1%	8.1%	20.8%	8.2%
Preston	25.0%	45.7%	16.2%		13.1%
West Bromwich West	33.9%	51.1%	9.5%		5.5%
Falkirk West	8.3%	43.5%	3.2%	39.9%	5.1%

Country

England (11 constituencies)	35.9%	30.0%	28.8%		5.3%
Wales (1)	16.5%	14.4%	23.0%	42.8%	3.3%
Scotland (4)	8.3%	44.2%	6.6%	31.7%	9.1%
Great Britain (16)	29.1%	32.0%	23.9%	9.1%	6.0%
United Kingdom (17)	27.0%	29.7%	22.2%	8.5%	12.6%

Northern Ireland

Constituency	UDU	UUP	SDLP	SF	Alliance
South Antrim	38.0%	35.3%	11.4%	8.5%	6.6%

Table 3

Change in share of vote compared with previous election: by-elections 1997-2001
(percentage points)

Great Britain

Constituency	Con	Lab	LD	PC/SNP	Other
Uxbridge	+7.6	-2.5	-5.3		+0.2
Paisley South	-1.7	-13.4	+1.6	+9.1	+4.3
Beckenham	-1.2	+4.0	+0.2		-3.1
Winchester	-13.6	-8.8	+26.0		-3.6
Leeds Central	-1.4	-21.4	+19.6		+3.2
Eddisbury	+2.3	+0.0	+0.6		-2.9
Hamilton South	-1.4	-28.8	-1.9	+16.4	+15.7
Wigan	+1.1	-9.0	+3.3		+4.6
Kensington and Chelsea	+2.8	-5.9	-5.9		+9.1
Ceredigion	+1.6	-9.9	+6.5	+1.1	+0.6
Romsey	-4.0	-14.8	+21.1		-2.3
Tottenham	+0.3	-15.8	+8.3		+7.1
Glasgow, Anniesland	-0.6	-9.7	+0.8	+3.7	+5.8
Preston	+3.1	-15.1	+1.5		+10.5
West Bromwich West					
Falkirk West	-3.8	-15.8	-2.0		+5.1

Country

England (11 constituencies)	+1.2	-13.1	+11.2		+0.7
Wales (1)	+1.6	-9.9	+6.5	+1.1	+0.6
Scotland (4)	-1.9	-16.7	-0.1	+11.2	+7.6
Great Britain (16)	+0.7	-13.8	+8.5	+2.4	+2.2
United Kingdom (17)	+0.2	-13.5	+7.7	+2.2	+3.4

Northern Ireland

Constituency	DUP	UUP	SDLP	SF	Alliance
South Antrim	+38.0	-22.2	-4.7	+3.0	-5.0

Table 4

Turnout by constituency

Constituency	Turnout at by-election	Turnout at previous election	Change in turnout (percentage points)
Uxbridge	55.5%	72.4%	-16.9
Paisley South	43.1%	69.1%	-26.0
Beckenham	43.6%	74.3%	-30.8
Winchester	68.7%	78.3%	-9.5
Leeds Central	19.6%	54.2%	-34.6
Eddisbury	51.4%	75.6%	-24.2
Hamilton South	41.4%	71.1%	-29.7
Wigan	25.0%	67.7%	-42.7
Kensington and Chelsea	29.7%	54.7%	-25.1
Ceredigion	45.6%	73.9%	-28.3
Romsey	55.5%	76.4%	-20.8
Tottenham	25.4%	56.9%	-31.5
South Antrim	43.0%	57.9%	-14.9
Glasgow, Anniesland	38.4%	63.8%	-25.4
Preston	29.6%	65.8%	-36.2
West Bromwich West	27.6%	54.4%	-26.8
Falkirk West	36.2%	72.6%	-36.4
Country			
England (11 constituencies)	39.6%	66.6%	-26.9
Wales (1)	45.6%	73.9%	-28.3
Scotland (4)	39.7%	69.1%	-29.3
Northern Ireland (1)	43.0%	57.9%	-14.9
United Kingdom	40.2%	66.8%	-26.7

Table 5

List of Party Abbreviations and Descriptions and number of candidates

	Description	Number of Candidates		Description	Number of Candidates
APNI	Alliance Party of Northern Ireland	1	NLP	Natural Law Party	8
BNP	British National	3	Oth	Other	5
Con	Conservative	16	Oth Lib	Other Liberal	1
CPA	Christian People's Alliance	1	PC	Plaid Cymru	1
Dem	Democratic Party	1	PLA	ProLife Alliance	2
ECP	European Conservative Referendum Party	2	Pro Euro	Pro Euro Conservative	1
Green	Green	4	Ref	Referendum Party	1
Ind	Independent	15	Ref 2000	Reform 2000 Party	1
Ind Grn	Independent Green	2	SDLP	Social Democratic & Labour Party	1
Ind Lab	Independent Labour	1	SF	Sinn Fein	1
LA	Left Alliance	1	SLP	Socialist Labour Party	3
Lab	Labour	16	SNP	Scottish National	4
LCA	Legalise Cannabis Alliance	2	SPGB	Socialist Party of Great Britain	1
LD	Liberal Democrats	16	SSA	Scottish Socialist Alliance	1
Lib	Liberal	1	SSP	Scottish Socialist Party	3
LSA	London Socialist Alliance	1	SUP	Scottish Unionist	1
MRLP	Official Monster Raving Loony Party	4	UDU	Ulster Democratic Unionist	1
NBRP	New Britain, Referendum	1	UK Pen	UK Pensioners	1
ND	National Democrat	1	UKIP	UK Independence Party	11
NF	National Front	2	UUP	Ulster Unionist	1

Where available, the more detailed descriptions used by some independent and other candidates are given in Table 6 at the end of the constituency results.

Constituency results

1. Uxbridge (Con hold) - 31 Jul 1997

Death of Sir Michael Shersby

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
J Randall	Con	16,288	51.1%	+7.6
A Slaughter	Lab	12,522	39.3%	-2.5
K Kerr	LD	1,792	5.6%	-5.3
D Sutch *	MRLP	396	1.2%	
J Leonard + *	SPGB	259	0.8%	
F Taylor + *	BNP	205	0.6%	
I Anderson *	ND	157	0.5%	
J McAuley *	NF	110	0.3%	
H Middleton *	Oth Lib	69	0.2%	
J Feisenberger *	UKIP	39	0.1%	
R Carroll *	Ind	30	0.1%	
	Turnout	31,867	55.5%	-16.9
	Majority	3,766	11.8%	

2. Paisley South (Lab hold) - 6 Nov 1997

Death of Gordon McMaster

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
D Alexander	Lab	10,346	44.1%	-13.4
I Blackford	SNP	7,615	32.5%	+9.1
E McCartin +	LD	2,582	11.0%	+1.6
S Laidlaw +	Con	1,643	7.0%	-1.7
J Deighan *	PLA	578	2.5%	
F Curran + *	SSA	306	1.3%	
C McLauchlan *	Ind Lab	155	0.7%	
C Herriot *	SLP	153	0.7%	
K Blair *	NLP	57	0.2%	
	Turnout	23,435	43.1%	-26.0
	Majority	2,731	11.7%	

3. Beckenham (Con hold) - 20 Nov 1997

Resignation of Piers Merchant

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
J Lait +	Con	13,162	41.2%	-1.2
R Hughes	Lab	11,935	37.4%	+4.0
R Vetterlein +	LD	5,864	18.4%	+0.2
P Rimmer *	Lib	330	1.0%	
J McAuley *	NF	267	0.8%	
L Mead *	NBRP	237	0.7%	
T Champion *	Oth	69	0.2%	
J Small *	NLP	44	0.1%	
	Turnout	31,908	43.6%	-30.8
	Majority	1,227	3.8%	

4. Winchester (LD win) - 20 Nov 1997

General Election result challenged

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
M Oaten	LD	37,006	68.0%	+26.0
G Malone	Con	15,450	28.4%	-13.6
P Davies *	Lab	944	1.7%	-8.8
R Page *	UKIP	521	1.0%	
D Sutch *	MRLP	316	0.6%	
R Huggett *	Ind	59	0.1%	
R Barry + *	NLP	48	0.1%	
R Everest *	ECP	40	0.1%	
	Turnout	54,384	68.7%	-9.5
	Majority	21,556	39.6%	

5. Leeds Central (Lab hold) - 10 Jun 1999

Death of Derek Fatchett

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
H Benn	Lab	6,361	48.2%	-21.4
P Wild	LD	4,068	30.8%	+19.6
E Wild	Con	1,618	12.3%	-1.4
D Blackburn *	Green	478	3.6%	
R Northgreaves *	UKIP	353	2.7%	
C Hill *	LA	258	2.0%	
J Fitzgerald *	Oth	51	0.4%	
	Turnout	13,187	19.6%	-34.6
	Majority	2,293	17.4%	

6. Eddisbury (Con hold) - 22 Jul 1999

Resignation of Rt Hon Sir Alastair Goodlad

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
S O'Brien	Con	15,465	44.8%	+2.3
M Hanson +	Lab	13,859	40.2%	
P Roberts	LD	4,757	13.8%	+0.6
A Hope *	MRLP	238	0.7%	
D Grice + *	NLP	98	0.3%	
R Everest *	ECP	80	0.2%	
	Turnout	34,497	51.4%	-24.2
	Majority	1,606	4.7%	

7. Hamilton South (Lab hold) - 23 Sep 1999

Elevation to Peerage of Rt Hon George Robertson

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
B Tynan	Lab	7,172	36.8%	-28.8
A Ewing +	SNP	6,616	34.0%	+16.4
S Blackall +	SSP	1,847	9.5%	
C Ferguson	Con	1,406	7.2%	-1.4
S Mungall	Ind	1,075	5.5%	
M MacLaren + *	LD	634	3.3%	-1.9
M Burns + *	PLA	257	1.3%	
T Dewar *	SLP	238	1.2%	
J Reid *	SUP	131	0.7%	
A McConnachie *	UKIP	61	0.3%	
G Stidolph *	NLP	18	0.1%	
J Drummond Moray *	Ind	17	0.1%	
	Turnout	19,472	41.4%	-29.7
	Majority	556	2.9%	

8. Wigan (Lab hold) - 23 Sep 1999

Death of Roger Stott

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
N Turner	Lab	9,641	59.6%	-9.0
T Peet	Con	2,912	18.0%	+1.1
J Rule	LD	2,148	13.3%	+3.3
J Whittaker	UKIP	834	5.2%	
W Kelly *	SLP	240	1.5%	
C Maile *	Ind Grn	190	1.2%	
S Ebbs *	NDR	100	0.6%	
P Davis *	NLP	64	0.4%	
D Braid *	Ind	58	0.4%	
	Turnout	16,187	25.0%	-42.7
	Majority	6,729	41.6%	

9. Kensington and Chelsea (Con hold) - 25 Nov 1999

Death of Rt Hon Alan Clark

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
M Portillo	Con	11,004	56.4%	+2.8
R Atkinson	Lab	4,298	22.0%	-5.9
R Woodthorpe Browne	LD	1,831	9.4%	-5.9
J Stevens *	Pro Euro	740	3.8%	
D Hockney *	UKIP	450	2.3%	
H Charlton *	Green	446	2.3%	
C de Vere Beauclerk *	Dem	182	0.9%	
C Paisley *	LCA	141	0.7%	
M Irwin *	Ind	97	0.5%	
G Oliver *	UK Pen	75	0.4%	
S Scott-Fawcett *	Ref	57	0.3%	
L Hodges + *	Ind	48	0.2%	
G Valente *	NLP	35	0.2%	
L Lovebucket + *	Ind	26	0.1%	
J Davies *	Ind	24	0.1%	
P May *	Oth	24	0.1%	
A Hope *	MRLP	20	0.1%	
T Samuelson *	Ind	15	0.1%	
	Turnout	19,513	29.7%	-25.1
	Majority	6,706	34.4%	

10. Ceredigion (PC hold) – 3 Feb 2000

Resignation of Cynog Dafis

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
S Thomas	PC	10,716	42.8%	+1.1
M Williams	LD	5,768	23.0%	+6.5
P Davies	Con	4,138	16.5%	+1.6
M Battle +	Lab	3,612	14.4%	-9.9
J Bufton *	UKIP	487	1.9%	
J Berkeley *	Ind Grn	289	1.2%	
M Shipton *	Ind	55	0.2%	
	Turnout	25,065	45.6%	-28.3
	Majority	4,948	19.7%	

11. Romsey (Lib Dem gain from Con) - 4 May 2000

Death of Sir Michael Colvin

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
S Gidley +	LD	19,571	50.6%	+21.1
T Palmer	Con	16,260	42.0%	-4.0
A Howard *	Lab	1,451	3.7%	-14.8
G Rankin-Moore *	UKIP	901	2.3%	
D Large *	LCA	417	1.1%	
T Lamont *	Ind	109	0.3%	
	Turnout	38,709	55.5%	-20.8
	Majority	3,311	8.6%	

12. Tottenham (Lab hold) - 22 Jun 2000

Death of Bernie Grant

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
D Lammy	Lab	8,785	53.5%	-15.8
D Hames	LD	3,139	19.1%	+8.3
J Ellison +	Con	2,634	16.0%	+0.3
W Bennett	LSA	885	5.4%	
P Budge *	Green	606	3.7%	
E Basarik *	Ref	177	1.1%	
	2000			
A Tanna *	UKIP	136	0.8%	
D De Braam *	Ind	55	0.3%	
	Turnout	16,417	25.4%	-31.5
	Majority	5,646	34.4%	

13. South Antrim (UDU gain from UUP) - 21 Sep 2000

Death of Clifford Forsythe

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
W McCrea	UDU	11,601	38.0%	
D Burnside	UUP	10,779	35.3%	-22.2
D McClelland	SDLP	3,496	11.4%	-4.7
M Meehan *	SF	2,611	8.5%	+3.0
D Ford *	Alliance	2,031	6.6%	-5.0
D Collins *	NLP	49	0.2%	
	Turnout	30,567	43.0%	-14.9
	Majority	822	2.7%	

14. Glasgow, Anniesland (Lab hold) - 23 Nov 2000

Death of Rt Hon Donald Dewar

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
J Robertson	Lab	10,539	52.1%	-9.7
G Thoms	SNP	4,202	20.8%	+3.7
D Luckhurst +	Con	2,188	10.8%	-0.6
C McGinty	LD	1,630	8.1%	+0.8
C McCarthy	SSP	1,441	7.1%	+6.5
W Lyden *	Ind	212	1.0%	
	Turnout	20,212	38.4%	-25.4
	Majority	6,337	31.4%	

15. Preston (Lab hold) - 23 Nov 2000

Death of Audrey Wise

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
M Hendrick	Lab	9,765	45.7%	-15.1
G O'Hare	Con	5,339	25.0%	+3.1
W Chadwick	LD	3,454	16.2%	+1.5
T Cartwright	LSA	1,210	5.7%	
G Beaman *	UKIP	458	2.1%	
R Merrick *	Green	441	2.1%	
P Garrett *	CPA	416	1.9%	
C Jackson *	BNP	229	1.1%	
D Franklin-Braid *	Ind	51	0.2%	
	Turnout	21,363	29.6%	-36.2
	Majority	4,426	20.7%	

16. West Bromwich West (Lab gain from Oth) - 23 Nov 2000

Resignation of Rt Hon Betty Boothroyd

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
A Bailey	Lab	9,640	51.1%	
K Bissell +	Con	6,408	33.9%	
S Smith + *	LD	1,791	9.5%	
N Griffin *	BNP	794	4.2%	
J Oakton *	UKIP	246	1.3%	
	Turnout	18,879	27.6%	-26.8
	Majority	3,232	17.1%	

17. Falkirk West (Lab hold) - 21 Dec 2000

Resignation of Dennis Canavan

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
E Joyce	Lab	8,492	43.5%	-15.8
D Kerr	SNP	7,787	39.9%	+16.5
C Stevenson	Con	1,621	8.3%	-3.8
I Hunter	SSP	989	5.1%	
H O'Donnell *	LD	615	3.2%	-2.0
	Turnout	19,504	36.2%	-36.4
	Majority	705	3.6%	

Table 6

Candidate descriptions

Uxbridge

H Middleton	Original Liberal Party
R Carroll	Emerald Rainbow Islands Dream Ticket

Paisley South

F Curran	Scottish Socialist Alliance - Fighting Corruption
C McLauchlan	Scottish Independent Labour - Justified and Ancient

Beckenham

T Campion	Social Foundation
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Winchester

R Huggett	Literal Democrat Mark Here to Win
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Leeds Central

J Fitzgerald	Equal Parenting Campaign
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Hamilton South

S Mungall	Hamilton Accies Home, Watson Away
J Drummond Moray	Status Quo

Wigan

S Ebbs	National Democratic Resistance
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Kensington and Chelsea

M Irwin	Campaign for Living Will Legislation
L Hodges	Daily and Sunday Sport
L Lovebucket	People's net dream ticket
P May	Equal Parenting Party
J Davies	Independent Environmentalist: Stop Climate Change
T Samuelson	Stop Tobacco Companies Farming Our Children

Ceredigion

M Shipton	Wales on Sunday: Match Funding Now
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Tottenham

E Basarik	Reform 2000 Party: Anti VAT
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Glasgow, Anniesland

W Lyden	Family
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Preston

T Cartwright	Lancashire Socialist Alliance
P Garrett	Preston Alliance: Christian People's Alliance
D Franklin-Braid	Battle of Britain Christian Alliance

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