



HOUSE OF LORDS

Crossbench hereditary peers' by-election, July 2017: result

In the by-election following Lord Walpole's retirement, 27 valid votes were cast. All excepted hereditary peers in the Crossbench group, 31 in total, were eligible to vote. The electoral system was the alternative vote.

Ten candidates registered to stand. Before the deadline for receipt of ballot papers Viscount Hill withdrew his candidacy. Therefore any votes cast for him would have been discounted and instead transferred to the next preference on the ballot paper.

Of the nine remaining candidates, six received one or more first-preference votes. At the first count Lord Vaux of Harrowden received over 50% of the total vote.

The successful candidate was therefore **Lord Vaux of Harrowden**.

Overleaf are details of the votes cast for each candidate.

The poll was supervised and the count was conducted by Electoral Reform Services. Lord Hope of Craighead acted as scrutineer.

19 July 2017

Ed Ollard
Clerk of the Parliaments

Distribution of votes

	First-preference votes
Aldington, L.	4
Cadman, L.	0
Darling, L.	1
Hayter, L.	0
Hemphill, L.	1
Hill, V.	Withdrew
Mostyn, L.	4
Powerscourt, V. (<i>L. Powerscourt</i>)	1
Somerleyton, L.	0
Vaux of Harrowden, L.	16
VOTES EXCLUDED	0
TOTAL CONTINUING VOTES	27
VOTES NEEDED IN ORDER TO BE ELECTED	14