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# By-election results: 1992-97

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There were 18 by-elections in the 1992 Parliament. Of these by-elections, nine resulted in a change in winning party compared with the 1992 General Election. The Conservatives lost eight seats of which four went to the Liberal Democrats and three to Labour. Sixteen of the by-elections were caused by the death of the sitting Member of Parliament, while the other two followed resignations.

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## Summary

There were 18 by-elections in the 1992 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. Nine seats changed hands at by-elections, with the Conservatives losing eight. Of these, the Liberal Democrats gained four, Labour gained three and the SNP gained one. The other seat to change hands was North Down which was won by a United Kingdom Unionist candidate.

### State of the Parties: 1992-1997

	At General election (9 Apr 1992)	At opening of session (6 May 1992)	<i>By- election gains</i>	<i>By- election losses</i>	<i>Other changes</i>	Seats at Dissolution (16 Mar 1997)
Con	336	334	-	-8	-5	321
Lab	271	269	+3	-	-	272
LD	20	20	+4	-	+2	26
PC/SNP	7	7	+1	-	-	8
Oth	17	17	-	-	+1	18
Speaker and Deputies	0	4	-	-	-	4

The other changes included one Member moving from Conservative to Labour (Alan Howarth), two moves from Conservative to Liberal Democrat (Emma Nicholson and Peter Thurnham) and one move from Conservative to the Referendum Party (Sir George Gardiner). In addition, there were two vacant seats at dissolution: Meriden (previously Conservative) and Don Valley (previously Labour).

### Reasons for by-elections

Sixteen of the by-elections were caused by the death of the sitting Member of Parliament and two were due to resignations.

### Share of the vote

Labour gained the highest share of the vote in by-elections during the 1992 Parliament at 41.4%; the Liberal Democrat share was 5.2 percentage points higher than that of the Conservatives. The Conservative vote fell in every constituency and fell by over 30 percentage points in both Christchurch and Dudley West.

### Turnout

Average turnout across all 18 by-elections was 52.8%. This was 23.8 percentage points lower than the average for the same constituencies at the 1992 General Election. It fell in all constituencies compared with that at the 1992 General Election. The lowest turnout was 33.6% in Barnsley East.

### Women candidates

Five of the winning candidates were women (Diana Maddock, Margaret Hodge, Judith Church, Helen Liddell and Roseanna Cunningham) as were two of those leaving Parliament (Judith Chaplin and Jo Richardson). The total of women MPs at the end of the Parliament was 63. Of the 159 candidacies at by-elections in this period, 27 were by women.

### 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 5*<sup>1</sup> 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

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<sup>1</sup> *Britain Votes 5: British parliamentary election results 1988/1992*. Compiled & edited by Colin Rallings & Michael Thrasher. Dartmouth 1993.

**Table 1**

Summary of by-election results: 1992-97

Constituency	Reason for by-election	Date of by-election	Result	New Member
<b>Newbury</b>	Death of Judith Chaplin (19 Feb 1993)	6 May 1993	LD gain from Con	David Rendel
<b>Christchurch</b>	Death of Robert Adley (13 May 1993)	29 Jul 1993	LD gain from Con	Diana Maddock
<b>Rotherham</b>	Death of Jimmy Boyce (25 Jan 1994)	5 May 1994	Lab hold	Denis MacShane
<b>Barking</b>	Death of Ms Jo Richardson (1 Feb 1994)	9 Jun 1994	Lab hold	Margaret Hodge
<b>Eastleigh</b>	Death of Stephen Milligan (7 Feb 1994)	9 Jun 1994	LD gain from Con	David Chidgey
<b>Newham</b>	Death of Ron Leighton (28 Feb 1994)	9 Jun 1994	Lab hold	Stephen Timms
<b>North East Bradford South</b>	Death of Mr Bob Cryer (12 Apr 1994)	9 Jun 1994	Lab hold	Gerry Sutcliffe
<b>Dagenham</b>	Resignation of Bryan Gould (17 May 1994)	9 Jun 1994	Lab hold	Judith Church
<b>Monklands East</b>	Death of John Smith (12 May 1994)	30 Jun 1994	Lab hold	Helen Liddell
<b>Dudley West</b>	Death of John Blackburn (12 Oct 1994)	15 Dec 1997	Lab gain from Con	Ian Pearson
<b>Islwyn</b>	Resignation of Neil Kinnock (20 Jan 1995)	16 Feb 1995	Lab hold	Don Touhig
<b>Perth &amp; Kinross</b>	Death of Sir Nicholas Fairburn (19 Feb 1995)	25 May 1995	SNP gain from Con	Roseanna Cunningham
<b>North Down</b>	Death of Sir James Kilfedder (20 Mar 1995)	15 Jun 1995	UKUP gain from UPU	Robert McCartney
<b>Littleborough &amp; Saddleworth</b>	Death of Geoffrey Dickens (17 May 1995)	27 Jul 1995	LD gain from Con	Chris Davies
<b>Hemsworth</b>	Death of Derek Enright (31 Oct 1995)	1 Feb 1996	Lab hold	Jon Trickett
<b>South East Staffordshire</b>	Death of Sir David Lightbown (12 Dec 1995)	11 Apr 1996	Lab gain from Con	Brian Jenkins
<b>Barnsley East</b>	Death of Terry Patchett	11 Oct 1996	Lab hold	Jeff Ennis

	(11 Oct 1996)			
<b>Wirral South</b>	Death of Barry Porter (3 Nov 1996)	27 Feb 1997	Lab gain from Con	Ben Chapman

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**Table 2**

Share of vote at by-elections: 1992-97

**Great Britain**

<b>Constituency</b>	<b>Con</b>	<b>Lab</b>	<b>LDem</b>	<b>PC/SNP</b>	<b>Other</b>
Newbury	26.9%	2.0%	65.1%		6.1%
Christchurch	31.4%	2.7%	62.2%		3.7%
Rotherham	9.9%	55.6%	29.7%		4.8%
Barking	10.4%	72.1%	12.0%		5.5%
Eastleigh	24.7%	27.6%	44.3%		3.4%
Newham North East	14.6%	74.9%	4.2%		6.3%
Bradford South	17.8%	55.3%	23.9%		3.0%
Dagenham	9.9%	72.0%	8.4%		9.7%
Monklands East	2.3%	49.8%	2.6%	44.9%	0.4%
Dudley West	18.7%	68.8%	7.6%		5.0%
Islwyn	3.9%	69.2%	10.6%	12.7%	3.6%
Perth & Kinross	21.4%	22.9%	11.8%	40.4%	3.4%
Littleborough & Saddleworth	23.6%	33.8%	38.5%		4.1%
Hemsworth	8.8%	71.8%	6.9%		12.5%
South East Staffordshire	28.5%	60.1%	4.7%		6.7%
Barnsley East	7.3%	76.4%	8.4%		7.9%
Wirral South	34.4%	52.6%	10.1%		3.0%

**Country**

England (14 constituencies)	22.1%	43.4%	29.2%		5.3%
Scotland (2)	12.9%	35.0%	7.7%	42.4%	2.1%
Wales (1)	3.9%	69.2%	10.6%	12.7%	3.6%
Great Britain (17)	20.2%	43.4%	25.7%	5.6%	5.2%
<b>United Kingdom (18)</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>41.4%</b>	<b>24.6%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>

**Northern Ireland**

<b>Constituency</b>	<b>UKUP</b>	<b>UUP</b>	<b>Alliance</b>	<b>Con</b>	<b>Others</b>
North Down	37.0%	26.4%	25.4%	2.1%	9.1%

**Table 3**

Change in share of vote compared with 1992 General Election:  
By-elections 1992-97 (percentage points)

**Great Britain**

<b>Constituency</b>	<b>Con</b>	<b>Lab</b>	<b>LDem</b>	<b>PC/SNP</b>
Newbury	-29.0	-4.0	+27.8	
Christchurch	-32.2	-9.4	+38.6	
Rotherham	-13.9	-8.3	+17.4	
Barking	-23.5	+20.5	-2.5	
Eastleigh	-26.5	+6.8	+16.3	
Newham North East	-16.0	+16.6	-7.0	
Bradford South	-20.7	+7.5	+10.2	
Dagenham	-26.4	+19.7	-3.1	
Monklands East	-13.7	-11.5	-2.0	+26.9
Dudley West	-30.2	+28.1	-2.8	
Islwyn	-10.9	-5.1	+4.9	+8.7
Perth & Kinross	-18.7	+10.5	+0.4	+4.4
Littleborough & Saddleworth	-20.7	+13.9	+2.7	
Hemsworth	-9.8	+1.0	-3.7	
South East Staffordshire	-22.2	+22.0	-4.9	
Barnsley East	-6.9	-0.7	-0.3	
Wirral South	-16.5	+18.0	-3.0	

**Country**

England (14 constituencies)	-20.5	+4.7	+10.8	
Scotland (2)	-17.2	+2.0	-0.8	+13.9
Wales (1)	-11.0	-5.1	+4.9	+8.8
Great Britain (17)	-19.7	+3.5	+9.0	+2.5
<b>United Kingdom (18)</b>	<b>-20.1</b>	<b>+3.5</b>	<b>+8.7</b>	<b>+2.4</b>

**Northern Ireland**

<b>Constituency</b>	<b>UKUP</b>	<b>UUP</b>	<b>Alliance</b>	<b>Con</b>
North Down	+37.0	+26.4	+11.7	-29.8

**Table 4**

Turnout by constituency

<b>Constituency</b>	<b>Turnout at by-election</b>	<b>Turnout at 1992 election</b>	<b>Change in turnout</b>
Newbury	71.3%	82.8%	-11.5
Christchurch	74.2%	80.7%	-6.4
Rotherham	43.7%	71.7%	-28.0
Barking	38.3%	70.0%	-31.6
Eastleigh	58.7%	82.9%	-24.2
Newham North East	34.8%	60.3%	-25.5
Bradford South	44.2%	75.4%	-31.1
Dagenham	37.0%	70.7%	-33.7
Monklands East	70.0%	75.0%	-5.1
Dudley West	47.0%	82.1%	-35.1
Islwyn	45.1%	81.4%	-36.3
Perth & Kinross	62.1%	76.9%	-14.8
North Down	38.6%	65.5%	-26.8
Littleborough & Saddleworth	64.4%	81.6%	-17.2
Hemsworth	39.5%	75.9%	-36.4
South East Staffordshire	59.6%	82.0%	-22.5
Barnsley East	33.6%	72.9%	-39.2
Wirral South	73.0%	82.3%	-9.3
<b>Country</b>			
England (15 constituencies)	52.8%	77.3%	-24.5
Northern Ireland (1)	38.6%	65.5%	-26.8
Scotland (2)	65.4%	76.1%	-10.7
Wales (1)	45.1%	81.4%	-36.3
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>52.8%</b>	<b>76.6%</b>	<b>-23.8</b>



**Table 5**

List of party abbreviations and number of candidates

Abbreviation	Description	Candidates
Anti-Mas	Anti-Maasricht/Anti-Federalist League	2
Alliance	Alliance Party of Northern Ireland	1
BNP	British National	1
Comm	Communist	1
Con	Conservative	18
Green	Green	3
Ind	Independent	42
Ind Un	Independent Unionist	1
Lab	Labour	17
LD	Liberal Democrats	17
Lib	Liberal Party	2
Monster	Monster Raving Loony Party	10
ND	National Democrat	2
NF	National Front	2
NLP	Natural Law	16
PC	Plaid Cymru	1
RP	Referendum Party	1
SDP	Social Democratic Party	1
SLP	Socialist Labour	3
SNP	Scottish National	2
SP	Socialist	1
UIV	Ulster's Independent Voice	1
UKIP	UK Independence	12
UKUP	United Kingdom Unionist Unionist	1
UUP	Ulster Unionist	1

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

## Constituency results

### 1. Newbury (LD gain from Con) - 6 Feb 1993

Death of Judith Chaplin

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
D Rendel	LD	37,590	65.1%	+27.8
J Davidson	Con	15,535	26.9%	-29.0
S Billcliffe *	Lab	1,151	2.0%	-4.0
A Sked *	Anti-Mas	601	1.0%	
A Bannon *	Ind	561	1.0%	
S Martin *	Ind	435	0.8%	
D Sutch *	Monster	432	0.7%	
J Wallis *	Green	341	0.6%	
R Marlar *	Ref	338	0.6%	
J Browne *	Ind Con	267	0.5%	
L St Clair + *	Ind	170	0.3%	
W Board *	Ind	84	0.1%	
M Grenville *	NLP	60	0.1%	
J Day *	Ind	49	0.1%	
C Palmer *	Ind	40	0.1%	
M Grbin *	Ind	33	0.1%	
A Page *	SDP	33	0.1%	
A Murphy + *	Comm	32	0.1%	
M Stone *	Ind	21	0.0%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>57,773</b>	<b>71.3%</b>	<b>-11.5</b>
	Majority	22,055	38.2%	

### 2. Christchurch (LD gain from Con) - 29 Jul 1993

Death of Robert Adley

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
D Maddock +	LD	33,164	62.2%	+38.6
R Hayward	Con	16,737	31.4%	-32.2
N Lickley *	Lab	1,453	2.7%	-9.4
A Sked *	Anti-Mas	878	1.6%	
D Sutch *	Monster	404	0.8%	
A Bannon *	Ind	357	0.7%	
P Newman *	Ind	80	0.1%	
T Jackson + *	Ind	67	0.1%	
P Hollyman *	Ind	60	0.1%	
J Crockard *	Ind	48	0.1%	
M Griffiths *	NLP	45	0.1%	
M Belcher *	Ind	23	0.0%	
K Fitzhugh *	Ind	18	0.0%	

J Walley *	Ind	16	0.0%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>53,350</b>	<b>74.2%</b>	<b>-6.4</b>
	Majority	16,427	30.8%	

### 3. Rotherham (Lab hold) - 5 May 1994

Death of Jimmy Boyce

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
D Macshane	Lab	14,912	55.6%	-8.3
D Wilgoose	LD	7,958	29.7%	+17.4
N Gibb	Con	2,649	9.9%	-13.9
D Sutch *	Monster	1,114	4.2%	
K Laycock *	NLP	173	0.6%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>26,806</b>	<b>43.7%</b>	<b>-28.0</b>
	Majority	6,954	25.9%	

### 4. Barking (Lab hold) - 9 Jun 1994

Death of Jo Richardson

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
M Hodge +	Lab	13,704	72.1%	+20.5
G White	LD	2,290	12.0%	-2.5
T May +	Con	1,976	10.4%	-23.5
G Needs *	NF	551	2.9%	
G Batten *	UKIP	406	2.1%	
H Butensky + *	NLP	90	0.5%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>19,017</b>	<b>38.3%</b>	<b>-31.6</b>
	Majority	11,414	60.0%	

### 5. Eastleigh (LD gain from Con) - 9 Jun 1994

Death of Stephen Milligan

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
D Chidgey	LD	24,473	44.3%	+16.3
M Birks +	Lab	15,234	27.6%	+6.8
S Reid	Con	13,675	24.7%	-26.5
N Farage *	UKIP	952	1.7%	
D Sutch *	Monster	783	1.4%	
P Warburton *	NLP	145	0.3%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>55,262</b>	<b>58.7%</b>	<b>-24.2</b>
	Majority	9,239	16.7%	

### 6. Newham North East (Lab hold) - 9 Jun 1994

Death of Ron Leighton

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
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S Timms	Lab	14,668	74.9%	+16.6
P Hammond	Con	2,850	14.6%	-16.0
A Kellaway *	LD	821	4.2%	-7.0
A Scholefield *	UKIP	509	2.6%	
J Homeless + *	Ind	342	1.7%	
R Archer *	NLP	228	1.2%	
V Garman + *	Ind	155	0.8%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>19,573</b>	<b>34.8%</b>	<b>-25.5</b>
	Majority	11,818	60.4%	

### 7. Bradford South (Lab hold) - 9 Jun 1994

Death of Bob Cryer

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
G Sutcliffe	Lab	17,014	55.3%	+7.5
H Wright +	LD	7,350	23.9%	+10.2
R Farley	Con	5,475	17.8%	-20.6
D Sutch *	Monster	727	2.4%	
K Laycock *	NLP	187	0.6%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>30,753</b>	<b>44.2%</b>	<b>-31.1</b>
	Majority	9,664	31.4%	

### 8. Dagenham (Lab hold) - 9 Jun 1994

Resignation of Bryan Gould

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
J Church +	Lab	15,474	72.0%	+19.7
J Fairrie	Con	2,130	9.9%	-26.4
P Dunphy	LD	1,804	8.4%	-3.1
J Tyndall	BNP	1,511	7.0%	
P Compobassi *	UKIP	457	2.1%	
M Leighton *	NLP	116	0.5%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>21,492</b>	<b>37.0%</b>	<b>-33.7</b>
	Majority	13,344	62.1%	

### 9. Monklands East (Lab hold) - 30 Jun 1994

Death of John Smith

Candidate	Party	Votes	Share	Change
H Liddell +	Lab	16,960	49.8%	-11.5
K Ullrich +	SNP	15,320	44.9%	+26.9
S Gallagher *	LD	878	2.6%	-2.0
S Bell + *	Con	799	2.3%	-13.7
A Bremner + *	Ind	69	0.2%	
D Paterson *	NLP	58	0.2%	

<b>Turnout</b>	<b>34,084</b>	<b>70.0%</b>	<b>-5.1</b>
Majority	1,640	4.8%	

#### 10. Dudley West (Lab gain from Con) - 15 Dec 1994

Death of John Blackburn

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
I Pearson	Lab	28,400	68.8%	+28.1
G Postles	Con	7,706	18.7%	-30.2
M Hadley	LD	3,154	7.6%	-2.8
M Floyd *	UKIP	590	1.4%	
A Carmichael *	NF	561	1.4%	
M Hyde *	Lib	548	1.3%	
M Natrass *	Ind	146	0.4%	
M Nicholson + *	Ind	77	0.2%	
J Oldbury *	NLP	70	0.2%	
C Palmer *	Ind	55	0.1%	
<b>Turnout</b>		<b>41,307</b>	<b>47.0%</b>	<b>-35.1</b>
Majority		20,694	50.1%	

#### 11. Islwyn (Lab hold) - 16 Feb 1995

Resignation of Neil Kinnock

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
D Touhig	Lab	16,030	69.2%	-5.1
J Davies +	PC	2,933	12.7%	+8.8
J Bushell	LD	2,448	10.6%	+4.9
R Buckland *	Con	913	3.9%	-10.9
D Sutch *	Monster	506	2.2%	
H Hughes *	UKIP	289	1.2%	
T Rees *	NLP	47	0.2%	
<b>Turnout</b>		<b>23,166</b>	<b>45.1%</b>	<b>-36.3</b>
Majority		13,097	56.5%	

**12. Perth and Kinross (SNP gain from Con) - 25 May 1995**

Death of Sir Nicholas Fairburn

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
R Cunningham +	SNP	16,931	40.4%	+4.4
D Alexander	Lab	9,620	22.9%	+10.5
J Godfrey	Con	8,990	21.4%	-18.7
V Linklater	LD	4,952	11.8%	+0.4
D Sutch *	Monster	586	1.4%	
V Linacre *	UKIP	504	1.2%	
R Harper *	Green	223	0.5%	
M Halford *	Ind	88	0.2%	
G Black *	NLP	54	0.1%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>41,948</b>	<b>62.1%</b>	<b>-14.8</b>
	Majority	7,311	17.4%	

**13. North Down (UKUP gain from UPU) - 15 Jun 1995**

Death of Sir James Kilfedder

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
R McCartney	UKUP	10,124	37.0%	
A McFarland	UUP	7,232	26.4%	
Sir O Napier	Alliance	6,970	25.4%	+10.7
A Chambers	Ind Un	2,170	7.9%	
S Sexton *	Con	583	2.1%	-29.8
M Brooks *	Ind	108	0.4%	
C Carter *	UIV	101	0.4%	
J Anderson *	NLP	100	0.4%	-0.2
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>27,388</b>	<b>38.6%</b>	<b>-26.8</b>
	Majority	2,892	10.6%	

**14. Littleborough & Saddleworth** (LD gain from Con) - 27 Jul 1995

Death of Geoffrey Dickens

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
C Davies	LD	16,231	38.5%	+2.7
P Woolas	Lab	14,238	33.8%	+13.9
J Hudson	Con	9,934	23.6%	-20.7
D Sutch *	Monster	782	1.9%	
J Whittaker *	UKIP	549	1.3%	
P Douglas *	Ind	193	0.5%	
Mr Blobby *	Ind	105	0.2%	
A Pitts *	SPGB	46	0.1%	
L McLaren *	Ind	33	0.1%	
C Palmer *	Ind	25	0.1%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>42,136</b>	<b>64.4%</b>	<b>-17.2</b>
	Majority	1,993	4.7%	

**15. Hemsworth** (Lab hold) - 1 Feb 1996

Death of Derek Enright

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
J Trickett	Lab	15,817	71.9%	+1.1
N Hazell	Con	1,942	8.8%	-9.8
D Ridgway	LD	1,516	6.9%	-3.7
B Nixon +	SLP	1,193	5.4%	
D Sutch *	Monster	652	3.0%	
P Davies *	UKIP	455	2.1%	
P Alexander + *	Green	157	0.7%	
M Thomas *	Ind	122	0.6%	
M Cooper *	ND	111	0.5%	
D Leighton + *	NLP	59	0.1%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>22,024</b>	<b>39.5%</b>	<b>-36.4</b>
	Majority	13,875	63.0%	

**16. South East Staffordshire (Lab gain from Con) - 11 Apr 1996**

Death of Sir David Lightbown

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
B Jenkins	Lab	26,155	60.1%	+22.0
J James	Con	12,393	28.5%	-22.2
J Davy + *	LD	2,042	4.7%	-4.9
A Smith *	UKIP	1,272	2.9%	
D Sutch *	Monster	506	1.2%	
S Edwards + *	ND	358	0.8%	
S Mountford *	Lib	332	0.8%	
L Tucker *	Ind	123	0.3%	
News Bunny *	Ind	85	0.2%	
N Samuelson *	Ind	80	0.2%	
D Lucas *	NLP	53	0.1%	
F Sandy *	Ind	53	0.1%	
A Wood *	Ind	45	0.1%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>43,497</b>	<b>59.6%</b>	<b>-22.5</b>
	Majority	13,762	31.6%	

**17. Barnsley East (Lab hold) - 12 Dec 1996**

Death of Terry Patchett

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
J Ennis	Lab	13,683	76.4%	-0.7
D Willis	LD	1,502	8.4%	-0.3
J Ellison +	Con	1,299	7.3%	-6.9
W Capstick	SLP	949	5.3%	
N Tolstoy *	UKIP	378	2.1%	
J Hyland + *	Ind	89	0.5%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>17,900</b>	<b>33.6%</b>	<b>-39.2</b>
	Majority	12,181	68.1%	



**18. Wirral South** (Lab gain from Con) - **27 Feb 1997**

Death of Barry Porter

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Party</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Change</b>
B Chapman	Lab	22,767	52.6%	+18.0
L Byrom	Con	14,879	34.4%	-16.5
F Clucas +	LD	4,357	10.1%	-3.0
R North *	UKIP	410	0.9%	
H Bence *	Ind	184	0.4%	
M Cullen *	SLP	156	0.4%	
P Gott *	Ind	148	0.3%	
R Taylor *	Ind	132	0.3%	
T Samuelson *	Ind	124	0.3%	
G Mead *	NLP	52	0.1%	
C Palmer *	Ind	44	0.1%	
F Astbury *	Ind	40	0.1%	
	<b>Turnout</b>	<b>43,293</b>	<b>73.0%</b>	<b>-9.3</b>
	Majority	7,888	18.2%	

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## Appendix A

### Candidate descriptions

#### Newbury

A Bannon	The Conservative Candidate
S Martin	The Commoners party Movement
J Browne	The Conservative Party Rebel
L St Clair	Corrective Party
W Board	The Maastricht Referendum for Great Britain
J Day	People and Pensioners Party
C Palmer	21st Century Party
M Grbin	The Defence of Childrens Humanity - Bosnia
M Stone	Give the Royal Billions to Schools

#### Christchurch

A Bannon	The Conservative Candidate
P Newman	Sack Graham Taylor
T Jackson	Buy the Daily Sport
P Hollyman	Save the NHS
J Crockard	Highlander IV Wednesday Promotion Night
M Belcher	Ian for King
K Fitzhugh	Alfred Chicken
J Walley	Rainbow Alliance Coalition

#### Newham North East

J Homeless	House Homeless People
V Garman	Buy The Daily Sport

#### Monklands East

A Bremer	Network Against the Criminal Justice Bill
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#### Dudley West

M Natrass	New Britain
M Nicholson	Forest, Freedom of Choice of Smokers
C Palmer	21st Century Party

#### Perth and Kinross

M Halford	Scottish Conservatory and Unionist Candidate
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#### North Down

M Brooks	Free Para Lee Clegg Now
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#### Littleborough & Saddleworth

P Douglas	Conservative
M Blobby	House Party
L McLaren	Old Labour/Probity of Imposed Candidates
C Palmer	21st Century Party

**Hemsworth**

M Thomas	Mark Thomas Friday Nights Channel 4
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**South East Staffordshire**

L Tucker	Churchill Conservative Party
N Bunny	Official News Bunny Party
N Samuelson	Daily Loonylugs Earing-Up The World
F Sandy	Action Against Crime Life Means Life
A Wood	Democratic Restoration of the Death Penalty

**Barnsley East**

J Hyland	Socialist Equality
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**Wirral South**

H Bence	Company Director
P Gott	Disillusioned Conservative - Campaign for Change
T Samuelson	Stop Conservatives Poncing on Tobacco Companies
C Palmer	21st Century Independent Foresters
F Astbury	Thalidomide Action Group UK Party

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