ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING - 20 MAY 2019

ELECTIONS 2 MAY 2019 – REPORT OF THE RETURNING OFFICER

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The quadrennial elections for members of the District Council and Parish and Town Councils in New Forest District took place on Thursday 2 May 2019.
- 1.2 Notices of election for the 60 seats on the District Council and the 350 seats on the Parish and Town Councils were published on 22 March 2019. The number of candidates validly nominated were:

District Council - 130 Parish/Town Councils - 361

1.3 At the elections in May 2015, there were 156 candidates for District Council seats and 396 for Parish/Town Councils.

2. POLLS

- 2.1 33 of the 34 District Wards were contested. One candidate, Cllr Mrs Diane Andrews, was elected unopposed to the Bramshaw, Copythorne North & Minstead Ward of the District Council.
- 2.2 Elections were held in the following parishes/towns:

Copythorne (Copythorne South Ward)

Fawley Parish Council (Hardley Ward)

Fordingbridge Town Council

Hale Parish Council

Hythe & Dibden (Butts Ash Ward; Dibden Ward; Dibden Purlieu Ward; Hythe East Ward; Furzedown Ward; Hythe West Ward; Langdown Ward)

Lymington & Pennington Town Council (Lymington Town Ward; Pennington Ward) Milford on Sea Parish Council

Minstead Parish Council

New Milton (Barton Ward; Becton Ward; Milton Ward)

Ringwood (Ringwood South Ward)

Totton & Eling Town Council (Totton Central Ward; Totton East Ward; Totton South Ward)

Whitsbury Parish Council

- 2.2 Polling took place at 105 polling stations across the District. The verification and the counting of votes were held at Applemore Health & Leisure following the close of poll.
- 2.3 Postal ballot papers were issued to 20,575 electors, with 12,511 postal papers being included in the count. 0.9% of the postal votes returned were rejected on opening because of incorrectly completed, or no, postal voting statements, signatures and dates of birth not matching, no ballot papers, or other irregularities. These were not included in the count.
- 2.4 45,164 District ballot papers were included in the count. 1255, or 2.8%, were spoilt and were rejected. This is higher than the 1.3% rejected in 2015.

4. DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

- 4.1 The results are shown in Appendix 1.
- 4.2 The overall percentage poll for the District Council elections was 32.4%. This is lower than the 68.15% recorded at the last quadrennial elections in May 2015, but those elections were combined with the election of members of Parliament for the New Forest East and New Forest West constituencies. The turnout in 2011 was 44.93% but those elections were also combined with a national electoral event, the referendum on possible changes to the voting system at Parliamentary elections.

5. PARISH COUNCIL POLLS AND ELECTION RESULTS

- 5.1 All Parish/Town Council election results are on the District Council's website at: newforest.gov.uk/townparishresults2019.
- 5.2 The overall percentage poll for the Parish Council elections was 33.14%.
- 5.3 Where insufficient nominations were received to fill all the vacant seats, the Parish or Town Council may within 35 days of the election, co-opt members to fill the vacancies. Any person co-opted must meet the usual qualification rules for membership of a Parish or Town Council. If co-option is not undertaken within 35 days the District Council may appoint persons to serve on the parish/town council, or may order further elections to be held to fill the vacancies.

6. RECOMMENDED:

6.1 That the Returning Officer's report be noted.

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APPENDIX 1

District Council Election Results – 2 May 2019

ASHURST, COPYTHORNE SOUTH & NETLEY MARSH WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
HARDINGSON, Amy Jane	Liberal Democrats	625
REILLY, Joseph	The Conservative Party Candidate	899 ELECTED
TIPP, Derek Brian	The Conservative Party Candidate	923 ELECTED

Turnout: 34%

BARTON WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BELLAMY, Chloe Deborah	Liberal Democrats	498
CRAZE, Keith Edward	Conservative Party Candidate	1129 ELECTED
O'SULLIVAN, Alan Dennis	Conservative Party Candidate	1123 ELECTED
TERRY, Peter Simon	Labour and Co-Operative Party	264

Turnout: 36%

BASHLEY WARD (1 seat)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
SEYMOUR, Susan Marion	Labour Party	148
TUNGATE, Donald Neil	The Conservative Party Candidate	599 ELECTED

Turnout: 34%

BECTON WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BLUNDEN, Geoffrey Robert	Conservative Party Candidate	731 ELECTED
DAVIES, Wynford Bevan	Liberal Democrats	335
RUSSELL. Ann Elaine	Labour Party	184
VASILESCO, Ann	UKIP	217
WARD, Christine Vivienne	Conservative Party Candidate	682 ELECTED

Turnout: 32%

BOLDRE & SWAY WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
DUKE, Janette Noel	The Conservative Party Candidate	854 ELECTED
RICKMAN, Barry	The Conservative Party Candidate	1053 ELECTED
WILCOX, Katherine	The Green Party	843

Turnout: 39%

BRAMSHAW, COPYTHORNE NORTH & MINSTEAD WARD (1 seat) – UNCONTESTED ELECTION

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
ANDREWS Diane Elizabeth	The Conservative Party Candidate	Uncontested

BRANSGORE & BURLEY WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
GWYTHER, Aimee Louise Annette	Labour Party	385
LEVITT, Martyn John	Conservative Party Candidate	1002 ELECTED
STEELE, Mark Anthony	Conservative Party Candidate	964 ELECTED

Turnout: 33%

BROCKENHURST & FOREST SOUTH EAST WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
DANCE, Peter Francis John	Labour Party	209
HARRIS Michael Ross	The Conservative Party Candidate	948 ELECTED
HOLDING Maureen Doris	The Conservative Party Candidate	950 ELECTED
MELLOR Henry Norman Lindsay	The Green Party	586
ROLLIN, Ruth Elizabeth Percival	Liberal Democrats	630

Turnout: 39%

BUCKLAND WARD (1 seat)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BRIDGES, Bronwen Hailey	Labour Party	106
CORBRIDGE, Anne Helen	The Conservative Party Candidate	356 ELECTED
JEARRAD, Edward Spence	Independent	116
TYLER, Sandra Caroline	Liberal Democrats	190

Turnout: 28%

BUTTS ASH & DIBDEN PURLIEU WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
ARMSTRONG, Peter James	The Conservative Party Candidate	650
BINNS, James Edward	The Conservative Party Candidate	669
OSBORNE, Stephanie	Liberal Democrats	901 ELECTED
WADE, Malcolm Spencer	Liberal Democrats	1096 ELECTED

Turnout: 36%

DIBDEN & HYTHE EAST WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
DELEMARE, Sandra Vera	Liberal Democrats	804 ELECTED
DOWD, Philip David	Liberal Democrats	745 ELECTED
HARRISON, Christopher John	Conservative Party Candidate	617
POOLE, Daniel Michael Shoard	Conservative Party Candidate	609

Turnout: 34%

DOWNLANDS & FOREST WARD (1 seat)

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Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
HERON, Edward John	The Conservative Party Candidate	597 ELECTED
RICHARDS, Janet Elizabeth	The Green Party	315
TOYNTON, Paul Edward	Labour Party	71

Turnout: 42%

FAWLEY, BLACKFIELD & LANGLEY WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
ALVEY, Alan Rutherford	Conservative Party Candidate	783 ELECTED
McEVOY, Alexis Ellen	Conservative Party Candidate	817 ELECTED
REID, Sally-Jane	Liberal Democrats	584
STEPHENS, Roger William	Liberal Democrats	493

Turnout: 32 %

FERNHILL WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
CLEARY, Jill Lauran	Conservative Party Candidate	872 ELECTED
SHORT, Stephen Paul	Labour Party	309
WALLIS-DOWLING, Helen	Labour Party	389
WARD, John George	Conservative Party Candidate	836 ELECTED

Turnout: 28%

FORDINGBRIDGE WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BELLOWS, Ann	Conservative Party Candidate	726 ELECTED
CORNWALL, Tom	Liberal Democrats	513
FLACK, Kevin Roger	Labour Party	195
ROWE, Timothy Albert James	The Green Party	361
SEVIER, Ann	Conservative Party Candidate	762 ELECTED
SUGDEN, Alexandra Elizabeth	Liberal Democrats	484
SUMNER, Sarah Jane	Labour Party	207

Turnout: 34%

FOREST NORTH WEST WARD (1 seat)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
JOLLY, Nicola Christine	The Green Party	228
LANE, Emma Louise	The Conservative Party Candidate	445 ELECTED
PURSER, Geoffrey Stephen	Labour Party	45

Turnout: 35%

FURZEDOWN & HARDLEY WARD (1 seat)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BARAK, Adam Barnet	The Labour Party Candidate	123
CLARK, Mark William	Liberal Democrats	357 ELECTED
POOLE, Josephine Ingrid	Conservative Party Candidate	284

Turnout: 29%

HOLBURY & NORTH BLACKFIELD WARD (2 seats)

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Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BROWN, Pauline	Labour Party	351
GLASS, Allan Thomas	The Conservative Party Candidate	711 ELECTED
RENYARD, Julie Alice	Labour Party	334
THORNE, Beverly Jill	The Conservative Party Candidate	598 ELECTED

Turnout: 23%

HORDLE WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BAILEY, Paul	UKIP	355
CARPENTER, Frances	Conservative Party Candidate	1190 ELECTED
DE LA MARE, Gordon Alan	Labour Party	344
REID, Richard Alan	Conservative Party Candidate	854 ELECTED

Turnout: 36%

HYTHE WEST & LANGDOWN WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
CLARK, Rebecca Jane	Liberal Democrats	1148 ELECTED
MARWOOD, Teresa Mary Rose	Conservative Party Candidate	558
TERRILL, Claire Maria	Conservative Party Candidate	544
WADE, Alexander Spencer	Liberal Democrats	1179 ELECTED

Turnout: 38%

LYMINGTON TOWN WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
DUNNING, Barry Frank	Conservative Party Candidate	1057 ELECTED
ENGLAND, Jacqueline Annette	Independent	1083 ELECTED
HART, Catriona Helen	Labour Party	441
PENSON, Alan Keith	Conservative Party Candidate	830

Turnout: 41%

LYNDHURST WARD (1 seat)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
ANDREWS, William Giles	The Conservative Party Candidate	477
BRAND, Hilary Claire	Liberal Democrats	501 ELECTED

Turnout: 40%

MARCHWOOD WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BENNISON, Susan Margaret	The Conservative Party Candidate	594 ELECTED
HOARE, Alison Jane	The Conservative Party Candidate	785 ELECTED
HOLDEN, John Lloyd	Liberal Democrats	556
KITCHER, Matthew	Liberal Democrats	489

Turnout: 29%

MILFORD WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
HAWKINS, David Edmund	Conservative Party Candidate	1038 ELECTED
HOPKINS, Christine	Conservative Party Candidate	1114 ELECTED
SPICER, Sally Anne	Labour Party	395

Turnout: 37%

MILTON WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BAKER, Judith Mary	Liberal Democrats	491
CLARKE, Stephen John	Conservative Party Candidate	815 ELECTED
DAVIES, Stephen Paul	Conservative Party Candidate	825 ELECTED
WORSDALE, Jennie Victoria	Labour Party	315

Turnout: 28%

PENNINGTON WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BUTTON, Paul Graham	Labour Party	144
CLEETER, Franki	Labour Party	126
DAVIES, Jack	Liberal Democrats	650 ELECTED
GOSSAGE, Andrew Alexander	Conservative Party Candidate	640 ELECTED
MCCARTHY, Colm	Liberal Democrats	491
WHITE, Michael Lindsay	Conservative Party Candidate	617

Turnout: 30%

RINGWOOD EAST & SOPLEY WARD (1 seat)

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Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BRIDDICK, Janet	Labour Party	181
RING, Keith Anthony	Conservative Party Candidate	564 ELECTED

Turnout: 33%

RINGWOOD NORTH WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
HAYWOOD, John Julian	Labour Party	526
KELLEHER, Peter	Labour Party	512
KIDD, Joshua Luke	Conservative Party Candidate	767 ELECTED
THIERRY, Michael Hamilton	Conservative Party Candidate	797 ELECTED

Turnout: 30%

RINGWOOD SOUTH WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
HERON, Jeremy David	Conservative Party Candidate	768 ELECTED
IGGULDEN, Paul	Labour Party	408
RIPPON-SWAINE, William Stephen	Conservative Party Candidate	765 ELECTED
TURNER, Linda Glenys	Labour Party	505

Turnout: 29%

TOTTON CENTRAL WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
CERASOLI, Louise Debra	The Conservative Party Candidate	600 ELECTED
HERBERT, Katherine	Labour Party	236
LAYSAN, Jayne Claire	Labour Party	261
MURRAY, Ian Alec	The Conservative Party Candidate	613 ELECTED
ORCHARD, Frances		202
SCRIVENS, Ronald Frederick		259

Turnout: 28%

TOTTON EAST WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
BRUNSDON, Alexander Luke	Liberal Democrats	669 ELECTED
COOMBES, lan Charles	The Conservative Party Candidate	535
KANGARANI, Mahmoud	Liberal Democrats	635 ELECTED
LAGDON, Christopher		224
PENNY, David Maurice	The Conservative Party Candidate	538

Turnout: 29%

TOTTON NORTH WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
DAVIS, Arthur Henry George	The Conservative Party Candidate	615 ELECTED
PENMAN, Neville Stuart	The Conservative Party Candidate	700 ELECTED
SHAW, Jacqueline Anne	Liberal Democrats	395
THOMPSON, Benjamin Rex	Liberal Democrats	322

Turnout: 24%

TOTTON SOUTH WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
HARRIS, Leonard Ernest	The Conservative Party Candidate	411
HARRISON, David	Liberal Democrats	993 ELECTED
LORD, Kate Jessica	The Conservative Party Candidate	358
RACKHAM, Caroline Louise	Liberal Democrats	735 ELECTED

Turnout: 30%

TOTTON WEST WARD (2 seats)

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Votes Cast
CRISELL, Kathleen Veronica	The Conservative Party Candidate	599 ELECTED
FIELD, Helen	Labour Party	289
ROCHEY-ADAMS, John Anthony	Labour Party	242
RUSSELL, David John	The Conservative Party Candidate	545 ELECTED

Turnout: 25%