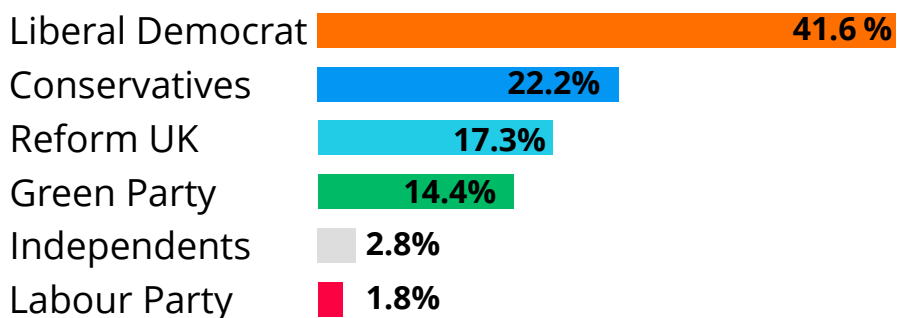


# LIB DEMS MAKE HISTORY ACROSS WINCHESTER DISTRICT

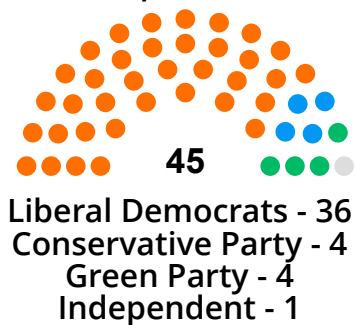
Every County seat in District won • Every contested Conservative seat gained by Lib Dems • Lib Dems stopped Reform • Deprived Tories of majority on County Council

## WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

### District-wide city council vote share



### 2026 Composition of WCC



## Welcome to our new city councillors

### Simone Fleuren Bishop's Waltham



Simone, a proud mum of two, is an experienced software developer and trained teacher

living in Bishop's Waltham.

She gained the third Bishop's Waltham seat from the Conservatives, joining Jonathan and Ritchie on the City Council.

### Martin Clay Denmead



Martin is a lifelong Denmead resident and a Parish Councillor, dedicated to serving his local

community. He gained a second of three Denmead seats for the Lib Dems, joining Michael Bennett. He not only beat the Conservative incumbent but saw off the threat from Reform UK.

### David Ablitt Upper Meon Valley



David has lived in Meonstoke with his family for 19 years, working in telecoms before retiring. He is also a Parish Councillor.

He gained the second Upper Meon Valley seat from the Conservatives, joining Jerry on the UMV team.

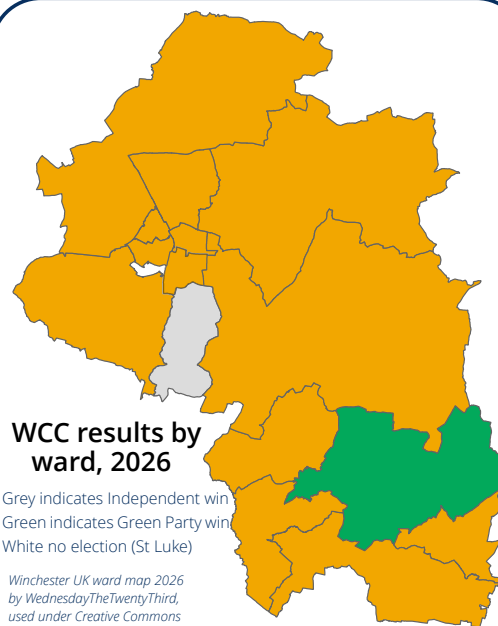
### Andy Adams Wonston & Micheldever



Andy has lived in Micheldever Station for 18 years. He works as a railway operations

manager and is chair of the planning committee on the Parish Council.

He is the first ever Lib Dem City Councillor in Wonston & Micheldever.



Lib Dem City Council leader Martin Tod and some of the 36-strong Lib Dem team - proportionately, the largest ever political group on WCC.



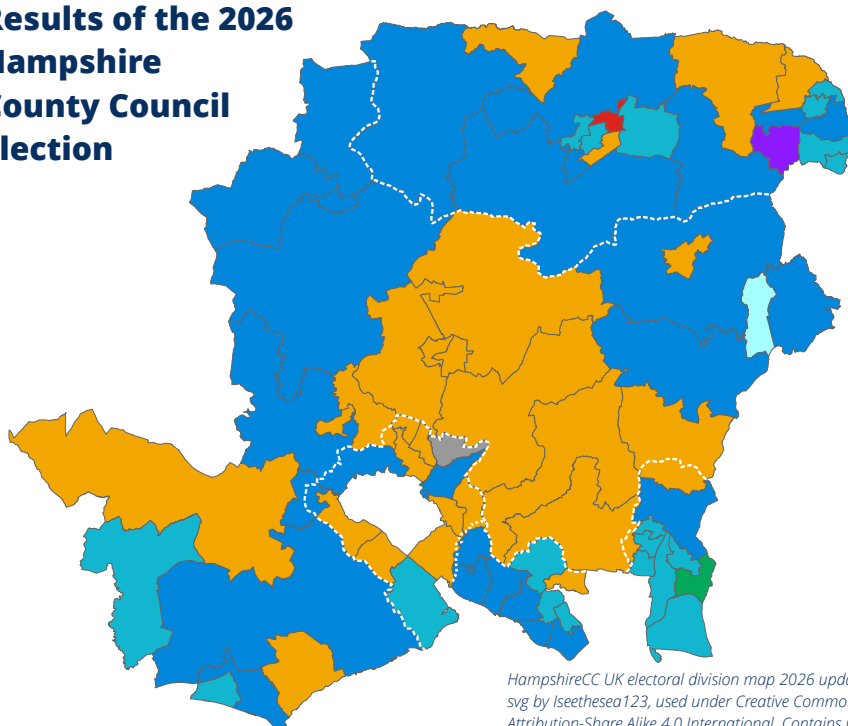
Jackie, Anne, Jonathan, Angie, Martin, Paula, and James (not pictured).

## LIB DEMS WIN BIG AT COUNTY COUNCIL

For the first time, the Liberal Democrats won all seven of the County seats within the Winchester District.

- Jackie Porter, Itchen Valley, hold, increased majority
- Paula Ferguson, Winchester Eastgate, hold, increased majority
- Martin Tod, Winchester Westgate, hold, increased majority
- Jonathan Williams, Bishops Waltham, hold
- Angela Clear, Southern Parishes, gain from Conservatives
- James Batho, Winchester Downlands, gain from Conservative Deputy Leader of HCC
- Anne Small, Meon Valley, gain from the Green Party

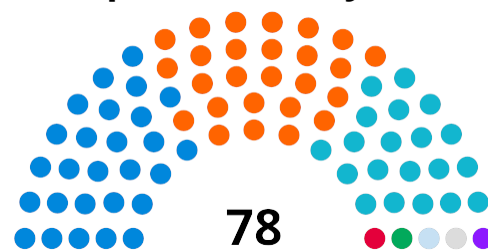
## Results of the 2026 Hampshire County Council Election



HampshireCC UK electoral division map 2026 updated.  
svg by Iseethesea123, used under Creative Commons  
Attribution-Share Alike 4.0 International. Contains OS  
data © Crown Copyright and database right (2016).

Dotted white line denotes upcoming unitary boundaries  
Southampton and Portsmouth City Councils are unitaries (in white)

## Hampshire County Council



**78**  
 Conservative Party - 27  
 Liberal Democrats - 26  
 Reform UK - 20  
 Labour - 1  
 Green Party - 1  
 Independent - 1  
 Localists - 2

## Conservative-Reform stitch-up at HCC

Drama unfolded at Hampshire County Council as Conservative councillor Nick Adams-King was re-elected leader, backed by Conservative councillors, several Reform UK members and the Whitehill & Bordon Community Party. The Lib Dem candidate was supported by the Basingstoke Labour Councillor, while the Greens, most Reform councillors and independents abstained.

Conservative councillors in turn unanimously backed Reform UK councillors to chair key Committees, including vital children's services, overseeing roads and potholes and the audit committee responsible for scrutinising council finances.

Winchester Lib Dem leader Martin Tod said: **"Other parties promised to stop Reform UK at the most recent elections - but they didn't vote that way. The Conservatives and Reform UK are now working hand in hand. That can only be bad news for Hampshire residents."**