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BOROUGH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2024

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1. PURPOSE

To advise Council of the results of the Borough Council Elections in Almond Hill, Bandley Hill & Poplars, Bedwell, Chells, Longmeadow, Manor, Martins Wood, Old Town, Roebuck, Shephall, St. Nicholas, Symonds Green and Woodfield Wards held on 2 May 2024 together with the percentage turnouts.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the results of the Borough Council Elections 2024, as attached at Appendix A to the report, be noted.

3. DETAILS

Following the recent Local Government Boundary Commission review for Stevenage, the Borough Council Elections held on 2 May 2024 were based on new Ward boundaries. All 39 Council seats were therefore contested, with 3 candidates elected as Councillors for each Ward.

Following these elections, the Council will return to the cycle of elections by thirds (i.e. a third of the Council seats will be up for election each year) from May 2026, post the County Council elections to be held in May 2025.

Therefore, for these elections in each individual Ward, the candidate with the most votes will serve the full four year term, the candidate with the second highest number of votes will serve a three year term, and the candidate with the third highest votes will serve a two year term.

On 2 May, the election of Borough Councillors was combined with the election of the Hertfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner. The total electorate on 2 May was 65,523, of which 19,613 voted by post. A total of 41 Polling Stations were opened.

The results of the Borough Council Elections are attached as Appendix A to the report (percentage turnouts are shown under Ward name and the elected candidate with respective terms of office is shown in bold).

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- Files – Borough Council Elections 2024

APPENDICES

- None.