

DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL

Kirklees Council

Election of District Councillors for

Birstall and Birkenshaw
on Thursday 7 May 2026

I, Steve Mawson, being the Returning Officer at the above election, do hereby give notice that the number of votes recorded for each Candidate at the said election is as follows:

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Number of Votes*	
AKRAM, Tahir	Green Party	594	
DISKEN, Bernard Thomas	Liberal Democrats	217	
DOD, Richard	Liberal Democrats	190	
FOSTER, Jamie Conor	Green Party	638	
GOLDMAN, Lorna Maria	Labour Party	621	
HAYES, Corey Patrick	Green Party	591	
JAMES, Philip Anthony	Reform UK	2235	Elected
MALLINSON, Keith	Reform UK	2182	
REID, Adrian	Reform UK	2001	
SHEARD, Joshua Connor	The Conservative Party Candidate	2559	Elected
SMAJE, Liz	The Conservative Party Candidate	2202	Elected
THOMPSON, Mark Stephen	The Conservative Party Candidate	1945	
WALSH, Louise Mary	Liberal Democrats	323	
WATSON, Cheya Amélie	Labour Party	621	
WILKES, Elaine	Labour Party	639	

* If elected the word 'Elected' appears against the number of votes.

The number of ballot papers rejected was as follows:		Number of ballot papers
A	want of an official mark	3
B	voting for more Candidates than voter was entitled to	1
C	writing or mark by which voter could be identified	0
D	being unmarked or wholly void for uncertainty	0
E	rejected in part	0
Total		4

Vacant Seats: 3

Electorate: 14044

Ballot Papers Issued: 6115

Turnout: 43.5%

Dated Friday 8 May 2026

Steve Mawson
Returning Officer

And I do hereby declare that

- JAMES, Philip Anthony
- SHEARD, Joshua Connor
- SMAJE, LIZ are duly elected.

Please can the elected candidates report to the stage to collect an information pack.

Dated Friday 8 May 2026

Steve Mawson
Returning Officer