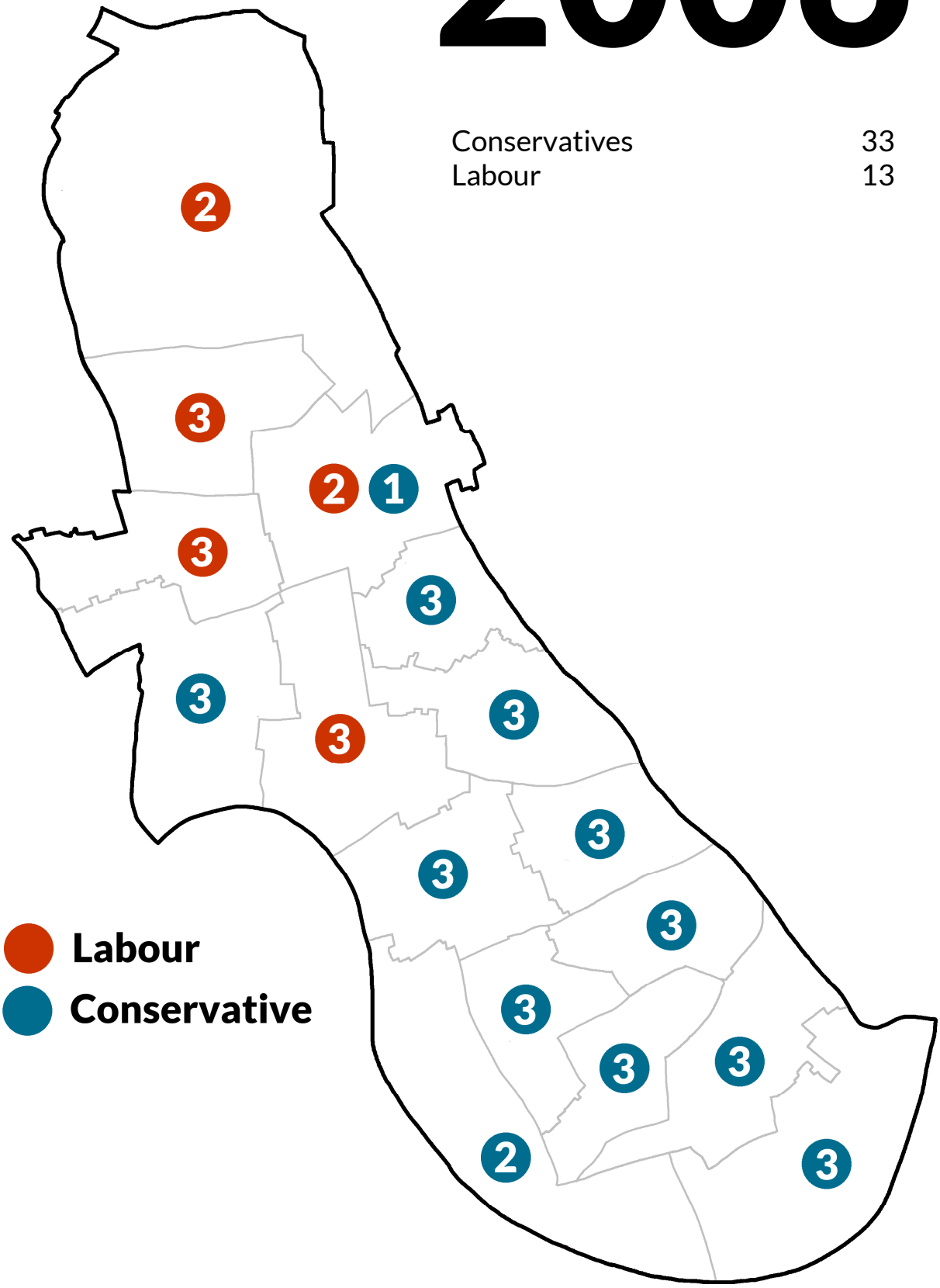
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PM'S PANIC

● Battered Blair takes an axe to Clarke and Straw

● Brown ally demands: Now it's time to go, Tony

● Prescott loses power but keeps all his perks



TONY BLAIR swung an axe at his Cabinet today in a message of defiance to Gordon Brown and MPs urging him to quit.

He fired Charles Clarke as Home Secretary, demoted Jack Straw from Foreign Secretary to Leader of the Commons and stripped John Prescott of part of his job.

But his enemies were fighting back. Former Cabinet minister Andrew Smith, a leading ally of the Chancellor, openly called for the Prime Minister to go.

Labour chairman Ian McCartney was sacked after dreadful council election results which saw David Cameron's Tories turn London blue. Geoff Hoon was demoted and chief whip Hilary Armstrong was being moved to a more junior job.

More than half the Cabinet switched jobs in a day of turmoil, wild rumours and bruised egos. During a dramatic night and day:

● Labour was routed in the council elections, losing some 250 councillors and trailing third in the vote on only 26 per cent. The Conservatives surged in London but failed to match this in the North and Midlands.

● Mr Blair put trusted allies into key positions to drive through his controversial reforms. Alan Johnson takes over the education reforms from Ruth Kelly. Bruiser John Reid goes to the Home Office and Margaret Beckett becomes the first woman Foreign Secretary.

● The Chancellor distanced himself from the reshuffle, saying he was not consulted. He described the local election results as a "warning shot" and called for Labour to be "renewed".

● Some 50 Labour backbenchers were said to have signed a petition calling on Mr Blair to go early and issue a timetable. They hope for more names over the weekend.

Controversy was raging about Mr Prescott's new role, which gives him a reduced workload but leaves

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Long knives at dawn as Blair fights to cling on

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him with his £133,000 salary and two free homes. And questions were asked why Mr Clarke was not sacked before polling day — a move that might have helped save some Labour candidates.

Some likened the Cabinet changes to Harold Macmillan's 1962 "night of the long knives", when seven senior ministers were axed.

It was an extraordinary display of power by the Prime Minister, which declared he is determined to push through his reforms and delay his retirement.

The message to the Chancellor was also clear: Ministers sympathetic to Mr Brown did not prosper on the whole and the demotions of Mr Prescott, Mr Straw and Mr Hoon broke up a potential pro-Brown axis.

The reshuffle marks a victory of the Blairite "diehards" — whose aim is to make the Chancellor adopt Mr Blair's legacy — over a group of Blairite "appeasers" who saw their duty as easing the transfer of power without morale-sapping arguments.

From the Brownite ranks there was disappointment and anger.

Former Work and Pensions Secretary Mr Smith said Labour lacked direction and needed to know immediately when Mr Blair will retire.

He said: "I believe we need to see the timetable for that change sooner rather than later. Better now than in three months' time."

Former health secretary Frank Dobson said Mr Blair should go by autumn. Labour MP Graham Stringer said: "We need a change in the captain of the ship. What Members of Parliament ... want to know is when the Prime Minister is going."

There were signs of tensions between Mr Blair and his impatient successor. Mr Brown said the council results were "a warning shot" — a phrase which suggested things could get worse without radical change — and contrasted with No 10's belief that a diet of more Blairism was the key to recovery.

Downing Street said the changes were designed to reward competence and safeguard the radical public service reforms.

Mr Reid moves from defence to become Home Secretary. Treasury chief secretary Des Browne replaces Dr Reid at defence.

Ms Kelly is dropped from education, where she has struggled, and takes over as women's minister and the roles given up by Mr Prescott, with the title Local Government and Communities Secretary. Rising star Mr Johnson is Education Secretary. Douglas Alexander will run Transport after Alistair Darling moved to the Department of Trade and Industry.

Mr Hoon becomes Minister for Europe — but will be a non-voting observer in Cabinet and junior to Mrs Beckett.

The surprise showed on the face of Mr Straw, who walked smiling into No10 and emerged looking miserable. He was said to have spent some time considering whether to resign.

Mr Prescott was inside No10 for three and a half hours, fuelling speculation he was arguing bitterly with Mr Blair. But No10 sources insisted he was "very happy" because he wanted his workload cut down.

Two women are among the biggest winners. Jacqui Smith, who was the middle-ranking minister for schools, becomes chief whip. Hazel Blears, a highly rated Home Office minister, is party chairman.

Health Secretary Patricia Hewitt did not move, despite controversy over NHS debts. Tessa Jowell stays at Culture with a beefed-up Olympics role to reflect Mr Blair's trust. Also staying put are Peter Hain, Hilary Benn, Lord Falconer and John Hutton.

The dreadful election losses, especially in London, included Camden, symbolic as New Labour's birthplace in the Nineties. The Conservatives took Hammersmith & Fulham, Bexley and even Ealing from Labour.

The far-Right BNP seized 11 seats in Barking and Dagenham.

Nationwide, the Tories came top with 40 per cent followed by the Lib-Dems on 27 per cent, with Labour on 26. Mr Cameron said: "I'm a happy man. While Labour is collapsing, we are gaining."

However, he admitted there was a long way to go.



Silver lining: John Prescott leaves No 10 with his aides today

No wonder you're still smiling, Prezza

JOHN PRESCOTT was handed a string of consolation prizes today after he was stripped of his departmental responsibilities.

He will keep his £130,000 salary, plus expenses and official cars. He will also continue to enjoy a grace-and-favour apartment at Admiralty House and the country estate of Dorneywood in Buckinghamshire.

Mr Prescott will head several high-powered Cabinet committees but escape scrutiny in the House of Commons as he will operate entirely behind the scenes.

Kate Hoey, Labour MP for Vauxhall, said: "I am surprised that John Prescott has kept his job. People will want to ask what on earth he's going to get paid for."

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US embassy: We refuse to pay fines for C-charge

DAVID WILLIAMS
Motoring Editor

THE American Embassy refused today to pay the £307,050 its staff owe in congestion charge penalties.

One of its most senior officials insisted his staff were exempt from the £8-a-day charge because it is a tax — and it would be illegal for American diplomats to pay tax to another government.

Ken Livingstone has called American ambassador Robert Tuttle a "chiselling little crook" over the issue. The Mayor likens the charge to a motorway toll rather than a tax and says all diplomats should pay.

But US deputy mission chief David Johnson told the Evening Standard: "When this tax was first discussed by the Mayor, he quite freely called it a tax."

In an exclusive interview at the embassy in Grosvenor Square, Mr Johnson added: "If there's a charge levied for a specific purpose — for example to cross the bridge into Wales — we would pay that because it's directly related to construction and maintenance of that service we are using.

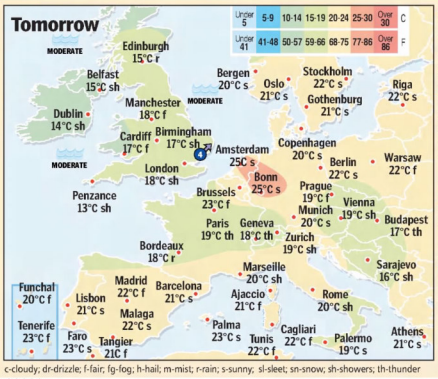
"But the congestion charge is a tax that is collected to do things other than provide the road you are rolling down."

Mr Johnson, who lives in Kensington with his family, said the embassy may switch some of its fleet to "green" liquid petroleum gas, making them exempt from the charge, not as a compromise "but as a continued set of discussions between two governments which are quite friendly".

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South-East: Tonight
Generally cloudy with showery rain, especially in the East. Low 6C (43F).

Tomorrow
Cloudy with the best of any bright spells in the West. Showery rain is possible at times. High 18C (64F).

Sunday
Some sunny spells but it will still be cloudy. High 18C (64F).

UK Outlook
Eastern parts remaining cloudy with rain. The best of the sunshine reserved for the West.

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Tomorrow	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
17 Showers	16 Showers	16 Showers	15 Showers	16 Fair

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Barcelona	20	68	sunny	Moscow	20	68	sunny
Budapest	14	57	fair	Munich	19	66	sunny
Buenos Aires	16	61	fair	New York	18	64	cloudy
Cairo	25	77	sunny	Nice	23	73	sunny
Cape Town	20	68	fair	Oslo	18	64	fair
Crete	16	61	cloudy	Paris	24	75	sunny
Faro	19	66	fair	Rome	23	73	sunny
Hong Kong	29	84	fair	Stockholm	18	64	sunny
Istanbul	14	57	cloudy	Sydney	21	70	sunny
Jerusalem	23	73	sunny	Tokyo	20	68	fair
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Wipeout... the night wheels fell off Labour's London wagon

ROSS LYDALL
Local Government Correspondent

LABOUR was almost wiped out in London as the Conservatives painted the capital blue for the first time in more than 20 years.

The party paid for Tony Blair's unpopularity and was likely to be left with a mere six councils when the final results are declared later today. Labour lost control of key boroughs such as **Camden**, **Croydon**, **Brent** and — ominously — **Ealing**, which could herald future general election success for the Tories.

Experts said it looked like the biggest shake-up of political control in London for 30 years, with 15 of the 32 boroughs expected to see a change in leadership. Before polling, Labour had controlled 15 boroughs, with the Tories on eight and three being run by the Liberal Democrats.

Only an unexpected regaining of control in **Lambeth**, which had been run by a Lib-Dem and Tory coalition, and the saving of **Haringey** from the Lib-Dems by only three councillors, helped lighten the Labour mood.

By contrast, the Tories basked in the glory of a David Cameron-inspired revival, winning unexpectedly in **Harrow**, **Hillingdon** and **Havering** as well as securing target boroughs such as **Hammersmith & Fulham** — where Mr Cameron may make a victory appearance tonight — **Bexley** and **Croydon**.

They held their bastions of **Westminster**, **Wandsworth** and **Kensington & Chelsea**, but it was the scale of victory in previously knife-edge boroughs that caught the eye.

In **Bexley**, they turned a two-seat deficit into a gain of 23 seats to humiliate Labour, while **Hillingdon** was transformed from hung to Tory rule after a gain of 15 seats. However, the Tory advance failed to materialise in **Merton** with the six gains insufficient to wrest control from Labour. The borough ended up in no overall control.

The only bad Tory result was the loss of **Richmond**, which returned to the Lib-Dems after four years — three of which saw it having the highest council tax bills in London.

The Lib-Dems strengthened their power base in south-west London by retaining **Sutton** and **Kingston**. But

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the party lost control of **Islington**, despite the council being judged the fastest improving in the country, and was unable to convert minority control in **Southwark** into outright power.

Labour held power in **Barking & Dagenham**, despite the shock election of 11 British National Party candidates.

Local MP Margaret Hodge was roundly criticised by Labour councillors for throwing the initiative to the BNP by claiming that 80 per cent of white voters were prepared to vote for the far-Right party. She admitted the failure to provide affordable housing for white working-class families lay behind the BNP's rise.

But Labour was hoping to add **Newham**, **Hackney** and **Greenwich** to its list of councils when results are declared. Blair supporter Sir Robin Wales was re-elected mayor in Newham but with his majority dented by a strong result for the Respect party.

Jim Fitzpatrick, Labour's minister for London, said: "This is not the meltdown some of us were fearing in the last seven to 10 days."

Camden, run by Labour since 1971 and a pilot borough for Blairite policies, saw Labour run into second place by the Lib-Dems, who claimed 20 seats.

In **Hammersmith & Fulham**, defeated Labour leader Stephen Burke blamed John Prescott's affair and the release of foreign criminals. "It comes on the back of nine days of bad media coverage," he said. "That has obviously had an impact."

The Greens have won at least 10 more seats in London to edge closer to their goal of having more than 100 councillors across the country.

The party gained five seats in **Lewisham** and made two gains in **Camden**, as well as one in **Islington, Lambeth and Southwark**. Further gains were expected in **Hackney**.

NATIONAL RESULTS

	No. of councils controlled	Change	No. of councillors elected	Change
Conservative	63	+8	1,567	+249
Labour	23	-16	1,065	-251
Liberal Democrat	12	+1	781	+18
Green			20	+14
Respect			21	-8
BNP			13	+13

BNP success sees Barking



ANDREW GILLIGAN

THEY started the evening with the suppressed smiles of people who know they're on a roll but don't want to show it yet. They ended in the euphoric knowledge that if they'd run a full slate of candidates, they would have won control of the borough.

The BNP stood for only 13 of the 51 seats on Barking & Dagenham council. They won 11, with only a clerical error, likely to be overturned today, denying them a twelfth. Ten miles from Westminster, in this city that congratulates itself on its tolerance and diversity, the BNP had the best result of any racist party in British political history.

Labour victims included Jeff Porter, a Tube driver who steered his passengers to safety as a 7/7 bomb went off beside him, and Fred Jones, the longest-serving councillor in London.

All that counted for little against the voters' rage with the political establishment. Councillors and officials reported that dozens of people in the wards where the BNP did not stand contacted them, furiously demanding why they could not vote for the party.

"This is a kick in the backside for Labour, here and across the country," said Richard Barnbrook, BNP leader in Barking.

Around the count centre in Dagenham, wearing a fixed smile, wandered the woman blamed more than anyone for the disaster — local Labour MP Margaret Hodge. Ms Hodge's prediction that



Dave's babes: Mr Cameron today with new Hammersmith & Fulham councillors Lucy Gugen, left, Sarah Gore and Caroline Ffiske. The Tories overturned a Labour majority to gain control

Biggest wins for the Tories since the Falklands factor

LONDONERS proved — as if they need to — that their politics are vibrant, unpredictable and, frankly, different. Regardless of pundits and predictions, voters in the capital's 32 boroughs went their own way. Authorities swung this way and that. Local factors mattered.

When all councils have declared, it seems likely that the Tories' final vote in the capital will be close to 40 per cent. This is the highest figure since 1982, when in their post-Falklands glow Mrs Thatcher's Tories managed 43 per cent.

Labour will be close to their all-time low of 28 per cent, achieved in their most catastrophic year of 1968. The Liberal Democrats once again hit the glass ceiling that appears to stop them making serious progress across the capital.

Camden's fall is the first time Labour has lost this borough since 1968-71. Labour's loss of Ealing to the Conservatives is extraordinary. The borough was thought to be near rock-solid. The party that has won Ealing has gone on to win the next general election every time except 1986 since the borough was created in the Sixties.

ANALYSIS



TONY TRAVERS
Director of the Greater London Group at LSE

Hammersmith & Fulham was won by the Conservatives for the first time since the "bluewash" of 1968.

London is no longer a Labour city. It looks as if as few as six boroughs will be controlled by the party, the smallest number since 1968 and the second lowest total ever.

The Conservatives are again the largest party in the capital.

However, "no overall control" was also a winner: there may be 10 boroughs without a single party in control. Both Camden and Islington will be in this position, potentially creating problems for the development of King's Cross. The Mayor will face many more non-Labour boroughs, potentially making the implementation of controversial planning policies difficult.

There is something else for Ken Livingstone to mull over. If the gap between the Conservatives and Labour votes is 40 per cent to 28 or 29 per cent, this suggests he will face a far harder fight in the 2008 mayoral election than in 2000 or 2004. Labour could be even less loved by then.

The Greens had a very good election, winning six seats in Lewisham, and others in Camden, Lambeth, Southwark and Islington.

Oddly, the brouhaha of the past week or so may have helped Tony Blair. Given predictions of a "meltdown", Labour was not destroyed. But in London, things look bad for the Government.

If the next general election is not to see dozens of Conservative gains, the Prime Minister will need to attend to the capital.

London has the power to destroy.

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80 per cent of her white voters were thinking of voting BNP is seen as the far-Right's turning point, electrifying a campaign where they had not been doing all that well. Mr Barnbrook sent her a bouquet of white lilies and described her statement as a "beautiful gift to us".

Council leader Charles Fairbrass said: "It all started with Ms Hodge opening her mouth. When Mr Blair does his shuffle, perhaps he can shuffle her. I think the Barking party will look very carefully at the possibility of reselection." Finger ever on the pulse, Ms Hodge said she was "very confident" about Goresbrook, one of the wards where, within the hour, the BNP had crushed Labour.

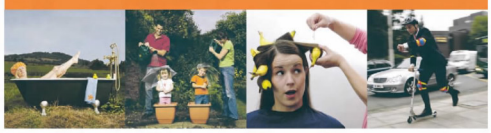
"You've got to laugh, haven't you," she said, hearing of Labour defeats all over London. It looks increasingly as if she is the first — and hopefully only — immigrant the BNP will get deported from Barking.

Yet it would be unfair to blame her for last night. Barking voters wanted desperately to punish the Government, passionately wanted change. Now, for perhaps the first time in decades, the people of Barking have got themselves noticed.

As with the Brixton riots, a great wrong, an act of anger and destruction may prove beneficial. Politicians will come down. Money will be spent. Grievances will be addressed.

But in the meantime, Barking has to live with the weirdos of the BNP and the crude and probably unfair charge that it is the "racism capital of Britain".

Even if self-inflicted, it is another burden for this poor and unfashionable borough to bear.

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Crushing blow as Camden citadel falls after 35 years

IT WAS the moment that summed up the night for the Tories.

Chris Philp, 29, punched the air in jubilation as it was announced that he had unseated Labour leader Raj Chada.

This was Camden, which had been a citadel of Labour and was now becoming symbolic of how the party was suffering in London.

The fatal blow was delivered just after 3am. At the polling station, Labour supporters were grim-faced as the final vote was announced.

After 35 years the party had lost control of the council, losing 20 seats with the Liberal Democrats gaining the most, jumping from seven to 20. The Tories and Greens were also winners.

CHRIS MILLAR

Mr Chada summed up Labour's disappointment, saying: "We are not happy with the result. There will have to be a period where we consider what happened. I do not think recent events helped."

Local MP and former minister Frank Dobson was more outspoken. He said he had told Mr Blair after last year's general election that he and his policies had become "a liability" that would lead to disaster in the polls.

"It is local manifestations of bad government policies that have led to our councillors being defeated," he said.

Asked if a reshuffle would help, Mr Dobson said: "People might think that is rearranging the deckchairs on the Titanic, or in this case changing the ship's officers on the Titanic.

"I don't think it will be good enough, quite frankly. We need the party under new management." For the jubilant Mr Philp it was an extraordinary result. He said: "We spent six months talking to voters and we found they were incensed by Labour failings. We campaigned on local issues such as the terrible state of council housing.

"We got massive support from one council block where tenants had been asking the council to repair their central heating for five years without success."

As the Lib-Dems and Tories celebrated their successes, a steady stream of unseated Labour councillors slipped out through the polling station back door, rather than face journalists.

One man, in particular, had reason to avoid photographers. John Thane, executive member for environment and councillor for Highgate, incurred the wrath of parents faced with council plans to withdraw a 10-minute "grace period" that allowed them to drop off and collect their children at school without the threat of a parking ticket.

A town hall demonstration in March attracted 500 protesters while a 1,500-signature petition, backed by Ewan McGregor and Jamie Oliver's wife Jools, was presented to the council. Mr Thane's seat was taken by Maya de Souza of the Green Party.

At first Labour supporters played down the optimism of the Lib-Dems and the Tories. But as the night progressed, their mood grew increasingly sombre and at 1am came three crushing blows as the Labour-held wards of Cantelowes, Kilburn and Highgate fell in quick succession.

Shortly afterwards a grinning Tory agent revealed Labour was also losing Gospel Oak.

News that Labour had lost Warrington, in its traditional heartland, was met with astonishment. One party member was overheard saying: "Warrington! How the f**k do you lose Warrington!"



Jubilation: Tory Chris Philp celebrates in Camden

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Lib-Dem celebrations marred by key losses

ROSS LYDALL
Local Government Correspondent

LIBERAL Democrat celebrations in London were spoiled by the shock loss of Islington, and Labour regaining control of Lambeth.

But they retained control of Kingston-upon-Thames after a fierce fight and took the Tory scalp of Richmond-upon-Thames.

In Islington the loss of 12 seats included the ousting of party leader Steve Hitchins, the most senior Lib-Dem councillor in the capital. Labour saw its number of seats there increase by 12 to 23.

With a Green councillor being elected in the borough for the first time, this left the council hung with 24 Lib-Dem councillors and 24 opposition members. However, the Lib-Dems may be able to continue their six-year rule by holding on to power through the mayor's casting vote.

Other key factors likely to have counted against the Lib-Dems are an over-zealous parking policy, the proposed temporary closure of Archway swimming pool and local concern over the new Arsenal stadium at Ashburton Grove. In Lambeth, the council had been run for the last four years by a Lib-Dem and Tory coalition. Now Labour is dominant with 37 councillors on the 63-member authority.

Labour's revival is surprising because it had more marginal seats than the Lib-Dems to defend. But a shortage of decent state schools sparked parents to form a protest party and the borough was hit by a £3 million scandal when a central heating contractor defrauded the housing department.

The only glimpse of hope for the Lib-Dems came in Richmond, which they managed to seize, smashing the Tories from 34 to 18 seats — many of them on the tightest of margins.

It will be seen in party HQ as a sign that Lib-Dems can challenge the Tories even in areas where the Cameron revival would have been thought to be strongest.



Victory: new Tory council leader Stephen Greenhalgh

Hammersmith and Fulham

HAMMERSMITH & FULHAM fell to the Tories for only the second time in 40 years as they overturned a 12-seat Labour majority.

With a recount in one ward still to be completed, the Conservatives had 32 councillors and Labour 17, giving the Tories control by a comfortable margin.

Although the result did not come out of the blue — the Tories have also done well in the area in parliamentary elections — it was still another serious blow to Labour's standing in the capital. Dominant campaign issues were health, housing and the West London tram project.

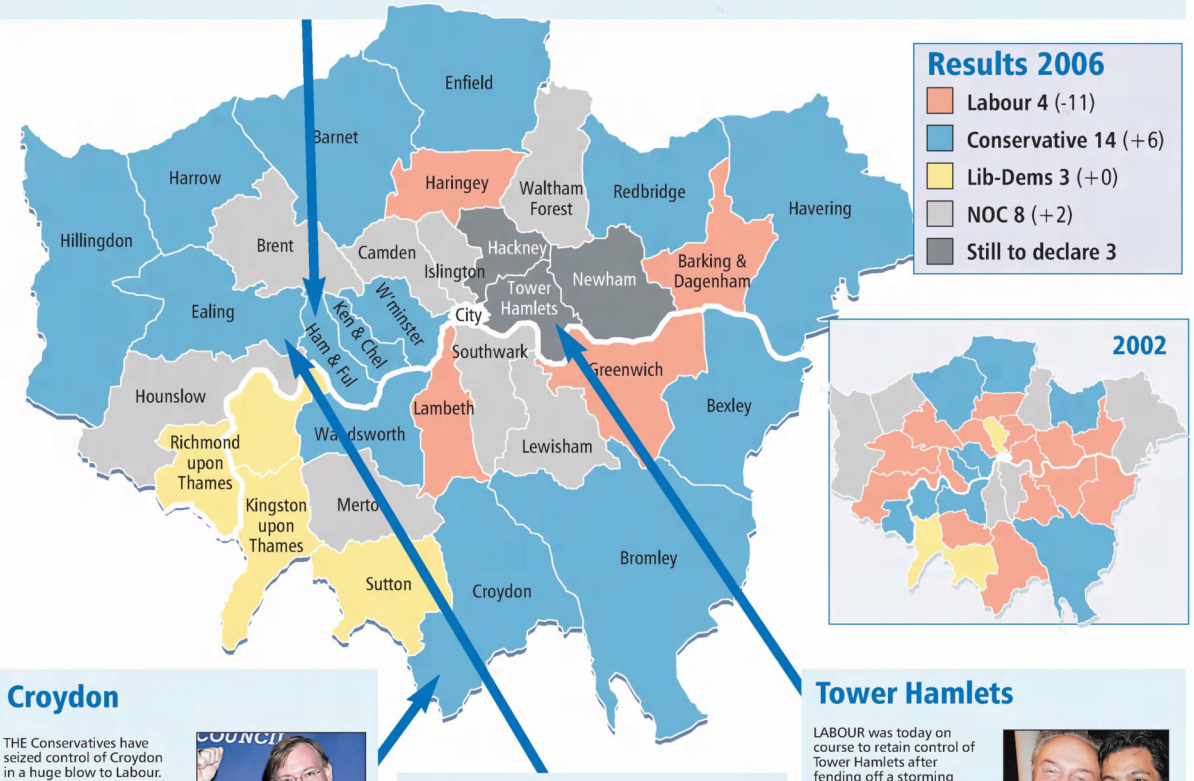
The huge deficit run up by the Hammersmith Hospitals NHS Trust raised fears over services, while a lack of cheap housing was also a source of contention.

Stephen Greenhalgh, the new Conservative council leader, claimed Labour had also been damaged by recent bad headlines.

He said: "I think in some respects Labour found it difficult to get out their core vote." Tory strategists believe David Cameron boosted appeal among the prosperous residents.

However, after such a bad night for Labour in London, Tony Blair's party will try to put this result into perspective. Hammersmith & Fulham was a prime Tory target — Labour's lead had been cut in each of the three previous elections — and its loss will not be felt as keenly as some traditional rock-solid Labour councils.

MARTIN BENTHAM



Croydon

THE Conservatives have seized control of Croydon in a huge blow to Labour.

The leader of the Conservative group Mike Fisher said of the victory, which overturned a five-seat Labour majority: "It's a better result than we dreamed of. I think the national picture played some part, but the people of Croydon are fed up that their council tax has gone up by more than 50 per cent in the last four years."

The night saw the Tories make inroads into the traditionally Labour north of the borough. In the Addiscombe ward three young Tories, Russell Jackson, 22, Andrew Price, 26, and Maria Garcia de la Huerta, 31, unseated Labour councillors in one of the biggest shocks of the night. Mr Jackson said: "We are young and that came across. More young people are turning to the Conservatives. People are ready for a change."



Winner: Croydon Tory Mike Fisher

Conservative seats increased from 31 to 43 and they regained control from Labour for the first time since 1994. Labour lost 10 seats and were left with 27. The Lib-Dems lost their two councillors.

Tony Newman, who had been Labour leader, said: "It's been a tough night for Labour in London."

JACK LEFLEY

Ealing and Hounslow

ONE of Labour's most ominous defeats was in Ealing, regarded as London's bellwether because with one exception, the victorious party in the council elections has gone on to form the next national government.

Today's result — which shows the Tories up by 20 seats to a total of 37, and Labour down 19 to 29 seats — is, therefore, good news for David Cameron and a blow for whoever emerges as Tony Blair's successor. The Lib-Dems lost one seat and now have only three councillors in Ealing.

Transport, including the West London tram, which the Tories opposed but Labour supported, was one of the key issues, partly because of controversy over the project but also because of anger about an alleged lack of proper public consultation.

Other campaign topics were the council's efforts to combat anti-social behaviour and graffiti although Labour's national problems over foreign prisoners and health are also likely to have influenced some voters.

Labour was dealt another blow when Hounslow, which it had held, switched to no overall control.

MARTIN BENTHAM

Tower Hamlets

LABOUR was today on course to retain control of Tower Hamlets after fending off a storming challenge from George Galloway.

Mr Galloway's anti-war Respect party tore into the Labour support, increasing its number of councillors from one to 11.

Labour also lost ground to the Tories, who picked up seven seats — their strongest showing in the borough's history.

With two wards going to a recount, Labour was expected to have at least 26 seats, enough to keep control. The bitterly-fought contest was overshadowed by allegations of large-scale voting fraud.

Mr Galloway, the MP for Bethnal Green and Bow, said he was "sorry" to see Labour's decline.

"The last thing I want to see is Labour hated. Labour won two landslides but now the party is viscerally hated in large parts of the country." Council leader Michael Keith and his deputy Abdus Shukur fell victim to Respect in the Shadwell ward.



Gain: Galloway with winner Ahmed Hussain

Some results are expected to be challenged, especially in the Limehouse ward where an estimated 700 voters are thought to have had their votes stolen.

JASON BEATTIE

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Addison



2006 electorate %turnout		8,160	42.2	+12.2
Helen L. Binmore	**Con**	**1,799**	**44.6**	**+ 3.5**
Belinda C. Donovan	**Con**	**1,682**	**41.7**	**+ 1.3**
Peter H.J. Tobias	**Con**	**1,664**	**41.2**	**+ 1.3**
*Siobhan Coughlan	Lab	1,276	31.6	- 16.1
*Melanie L. Smallman	Lab	1,238	30.7	- 12.0
Andrew R. Ellard	Lab	1,155	28.6	- 13.6
Dylan Clarence-Smith	Green	597	14.8	
Janet L. Burden	LD	480	11.9	- 4.7
Barry J. Sutton	LD	360	8.9	- 6.5
Katherine S. Mills	CPA	80	2.0	
Lab to Con swing: 8.0%	Maj	523	13.0 ●	
		406	10.1 ●	
		388	9.6 ●	

Askew

2006 electorate %turnout		8,539	37.2	+ 2.6
Gillian Dickenson	**Lab**	**1,186**	**40.9**	**- 17.6**
Rory J. Vaughan	**Lab**	**1,086**	**37.5**	**- 12.1**
Lisa F. Homan	**Lab**	**1,080**	**37.3**	**- 10.6**
Henrietta S. Bewley	LD	1,052	36.3	+14.5
Sophie P. Sainty	LD	1,002	34.6	+17.3
Thoby W.A. Young	LD	950	32.8	+16.1
David Cann	Con	806	27.8	+ 8.1
William J. Oliver	Con	769	26.5	+ 8.1
Alexander K. Evans	Con	760	26.2	+ 8.8
Lab to LD swing: 14.7%	Maj	134	4.6 ●	
		34	1.2 ●	
		28	1.0 ●	

Avonmore & Brook Green

2006 electorate %turnout		8,481	38.4	+ 4.4
Alexandra Robson	**Con**	**1,747**	**58.1**	**+15.3**
***William A. Bethell**	**Con**	**1,717**	**57.1**	**+15.2**
Robert E. Iggulden	**Con**	**1,669**	**55.5**	**+15.8**
Mujeer M. Khan	Lab	931	30.9	- 7.4
Victoria Woodhatch	Lab	847	28.2	- 5.0
Simon C. Risley	Lab	841	28.0	- 4.8
Thomas G.E. Cottam	LD	447	12.9	+ 2.0
Nicola J. Crawley	LD	438	14.6	+ 2.6
Adrian D. Whyatt	LD	389	12.9	
Lab to Con swing: 10.7%	Maj	816	27.2 ●	
		786	26.2 ●	
		738	24.6 ●	

College Park & Old Oak

2006 electorate %turnout		4,662	31.8	+ 6.8
***Wesley S. Harcourt**	**Lab**	**686**	**48.4**	**- 19.3**
***Reginald McLaughlin**	**Lab**	**610**	**43.0**	**- 23.7**
Alexandra E. De Lisle	Con	308	21.7	+ 5.8
Jon P. Burden	LD	287	20.2	+ 1.0
Gerald Spencer-Smith	Con	252	17.8	+ 3.1
Stephen P. Brennan	Ind	231	16.3	
Carsten P.J. Freisberg	LD	231	16.3	+ 4.7
Lab to Con swing: 13.0%	Maj	378	26.7 ●	
		302	21.3 ●	



Fulham Broadway

2006 electorate %turnout		7,549	44.7	+ 6.7
Aidan Burley	**Con**	**1,682**	**51.3**	**+ 4.8**
Victoria Brocklebank-Fowler	**Con**	**1,644**	**50.1**	**+ 5.4**
Rachel Ford	**Con**	**1,610**	**49.1**	**+ 4.5**
*Andrew M. Jones	Lab	1,191	36.3	- 12.5
*Charles J. Napier	Lab	1,146	34.9	- 13.0
Anthony F. Stephens	Lab	1,111	33.9	- 12.6
Shaun A. Carr	LD	305	9.3	+ 0.4
Stephen J. Tyler	BNP	236	7.2	
Robert Falkner	LD	235	7.2	0.0
Rowland P.B. Mynors	LD	210	6.4	+ 0.1
Lab to Con swing: 9.1%	Maj	491	15.0 ●	
		453	13.8 ●	
		419	12.8 ●	



Fulham Reach

2006 electorate %turnout		7,628	44.4	+10.4
***Gavin C. Donovan**	**Con**	**1,683**	**51.9**	**+ 7.8**
Paul Bristow	**Con**	**1,635**	**50.4**	**+ 6.6**
Andrew P. Johnson	**Con**	**1,573**	**48.5**	**+ 5.7**
*Stephen B. Burke	Lab	1,284	39.6	- 4.2
Oliver P. Cardigan	Lab	1,222	37.7	- 4.3
Matthew R. Turmaine	Lab	1,207	37.2	- 3.2
Elizabeth M. Stephens	LD	407	12.6	+ 1.2
Marytka H. Jablkowska	LD	341	10.5	- 0.3
Lab to Con swing: 5.4%	Maj	399	12.3 ●	
		351	10.8 ●	
		289	8.9 ●	

Hammersmith Broadway

2006 electorate %turnout		7,831	37.1	+ 9.1
***Michael K. Cartwright**	**Lab**	**1,203**	**44.8**	**- 8.4**
Lisa E. Nandy	**Lab**	**1,203**	**44.8**	**- 7.4**
***Stephen Cowan**	**Lab**	**1,161**	**43.2**	**- 7.7**
Edward Clarke	Con	1,152	42.9	+14.7
Elizabeth A. St Clair-Legge	Con	1,042	38.8	+12.2
Oliver D. Craig	Con	1,038	38.6	+12.1
Andrew C. Young	LD	448	16.7	- 2.4
Samuel R. le Rougetel	LD	447	16.6	- 2.1
Meher Oliaji	LD	366	13.6	- 2.3
Lab to Con swing: 10.4%	Maj	51	1.9	
		51	1.9	
		9	0.3	

Munster

2006 electorate %turnout		7,703	35.5	+ 8.5
***Michael F. Adam**	**Con**	**1,825**	**71.3**	**+ 8.1**
***Adronie E. Alford**	**Con**	**1,762**	**68.8**	**+ 7.4**
***Alexander P. Karmel**	**Con**	**1,736**	**67.8**	**+ 7.9**
Thomas W. Butler	Lab	508	19.8	- 7.7
Joseph L. Moriah	Lab	454	17.7	- 9.6
Simon H.F. Stanley	Lab	445	17.4	- 9.2
Sarah J. Carr	LD	361	14.1	+ 1.8
Alistair J. Brett	LD	314	12.3	+ 0.4
Stephen J. Morris	LD	273	10.7	+ 0.8
Lab to Con swing: 8.3%	Maj	1,317	51.5	
		1,254	49.0	
		1,228	48.0	

GAIN 3

North End

2006 electorate %turnout		7,795	42.5	+ 9.5
Caroline R. Ffiske	**Con**	**1,585**	**51.3**	**+10.9**
Sarah L. Gore	**Con**	**1,521**	**49.2**	**+ 9.5**
Lucy F. Gugen	**Con**	**1,492**	**48.3**	**+ 9.8**
Iain Coleman	Lab	1,295	41.9	- 4.4
Daryl J.E. Brown	Lab	1,250	40.5	- 4.9
*Charles W. Treloggan	Lab	1,158	37.5	- 7.5
Suzanne C. Harris	LD	349	11.3	+ 0.8
Kishwer Falkner	LD	337	10.9	+ 0.4
Paul G. Radcliffe	LD	278	9.0	+ 0.3
Lab to Con swing: 7.8%	Maj	290	9.4	
		226	7.3	
		197	6.4	

Palace Riverside

2006 electorate %turnout		5,431	51.1	+10.1
Donald M. Johnson	**Con**	**1,239**	**46.3**	**-22.7**
Melanie J. Scott-Russell	**Con**	**1,183**	**44.2**	**-23.1**
*Emile P. Al Uzaizi	Ind	1,056	39.5	
*Amanda Lloyd-Harris	Ind	1,038	38.8	
Francis J. Lukey	Lab	278	10.4	-10.6
Barrington J. Stead	Lab	243	9.1	- 9.5
Iain H. MacDonald	LD	163	6.1	- 7.6
Tamara Dragadze	LD	152	5.7	- 5.7
swing incalculable	Maj	183	6.8	
		127	4.7	

Parson's Green and Walham

2006 electorate %turnout		7,579	42.1	+ 8.1
***Nicholas B. Botterill**	**Con**	**2,307**	**76.1**	**+ 3.4**
***Frances M. Stainton**	**Con**	**2,288**	**75.5**	**+ 2.9**
***Mark A. Loveday**	**Con**	**2,274**	**75.0**	**+ 6.0**
Robin M. Homan	Lab	426	14.0	- 3.4
*Dr Jenny R. Vaughan	Lab	402	13.3	- 3.9
*Colin G. Pavelin	Lab	392	12.9	- 3.7
Alice M. Meek	LD	348	11.5	- 0.4
William H. Bagwell	LD	337	11.1	- 0.5
Peter J. Hartwell	LD	316	10.4	- 0.5
Lab to Con swing: 3.7%	Maj	1,881	62.1	
		1,862	61.5	
		1,848	61.0	

GAIN 2

Ravenscourt Park

2006 electorate %turnout		7,397	49.3	+ 3.3
***Lucy V. Ivimy**	**Con**	**1,815**	**52.7**	**+15.9**
Harry Phibbs	**Con**	**1,725**	**50.1**	**+14.1**
Eugenie K. White	**Con**	**1,687**	**49.0**	**+13.7**
*Christopher M. Allen	Lab	1,227	35.7	- 2.6
Julian D. Hillman	Lab	1,164	33.8	- 2.9
Anthony R. McMahon	Lab	1,131	32.9	- 2.9
Margaret C. Goldstein	LD	563	16.4	-10.8
Lillian R. Eckersley	LD	514	14.9	-12.1
Ian J. Harris	LD	499	14.5	-12.4
Lab to Con swing: 8.7%	Maj	588	17.0	
		498	14.4	
		460	13.3	

Sands End

GAIN 3

2006 electorate %turnout		7,363	41.6	+ 3.6
Stephen J. Hamilton	**Con**	**1,728**	**60.4**	**+14.3**
Jane V. Law	**Con**	**1,714**	**59.9**	**+16.0**
Jeanette Bentley	**Con**	**1,707**	**59.6**	**+15.8**
*Brendan J. Bird	Lab	1,044	36.5	- 15.5
Winifred G. Watson	Lab	869	30.4	- 16.4
Mulat T. Haregot	Lab	864	30.2	- 15.8
Lucia M. Graves	LD	250	8.7	- 3.1
Allan W. McKelvie	LD	215	7.5	- 2.7
Joan P. Harnett	LD	195	6.8	- 2.6
Lab to Con swing: 15.7%	Maj	684	23.9 ●	
		670	23.4 ●	
		663	23.1 ●	

Town

2006 electorate %turnout		7,296	35.4	+ 8.4
***Stephen J. Greenhalgh**	**Con**	**1,581**	**64.9**	**+ 1.8**
Gregory Smith	**Con**	**1,570**	**64.5**	**+ 1.7**
***Antony Lillis**	**Con**	**1,554**	**63.8**	**+ 3.6**
Anthony Cash	Lab	539	22.1	- 6.1
*Dominic J. Church	Lab	462	19.0	- 6.4
Krokhukoomaj Kadoo	Lab	429	17.6	- 3.9
Henry C. Braund	LD	406	16.7	+ 3.4
Paul G. Kennedy	LD	397	16.3	+ 3.1
Graham P. Muir	LD	368	15.1	+ 2.9
Lab to Con swing: 4.0%	Maj	1,042	42.8 ●	
		1,031	42.4 ●	
		1,015	41.7 ●	

Shepherds Bush Green

GAIN 1

2006 electorate %turnout		7,800	31.6	+ 5.6
Edmund P. Owen	**Lab**	**909**	**42.9**	**- 16.2**
***Mercy C.E. Umeh**	**Lab**	**846**	**39.9**	**- 8.6**
***Alexander J. Chalk**	**Con**	**838**	**39.5**	**+11.0**
*Jafar A.S.M. Khaled	Lab	834	39.3	- 7.8
John R. Goodall	Con	735	34.6	+ 6.6
Charles A.G. Dewhirst	Con	704	33.2	+ 6.4
Patricia Owen	LD	608	28.7	+ 6.8
George M. Collie	LD	501	23.6	+ 3.1
Jane A.J. Winn	LD	449	21.2	+ 1.9
Lab to Con swing: 9.5%	Maj	174	8.3 ●	
		111	5.3 ●	
		4	0.2 ●	

Wormholt and White City

2006 electorate %turnout		8,081	33.9	+ 7.9
Jean I. Campbell	**Lab**	**1,292**	**56.2**	**- 11.0**
***Colin Aherne**	**Lab**	**1,278**	**55.6**	**- 8.3**
***Dame Sally A.V. Powell**	**Lab**	**1,151**	**50.1**	**- 13.6**
Terry J. Barnes	Con	767	33.4	+11.8
Edward G. Trehearne	Con	623	27.1	+ 7.2
Arunasalam S. Yogashwaran	Con	519	22.6	+ 6.6
Julie C. Perrin	LD	442	19.2	+ 2.2
Matthew C. Pocock	LD	404	17.6	+ 1.2
Rosemary Pettit	LD	382	16.6	+ 2.3
Jagdeo Huazaree	Ind	184	7.4	
Lab to Con swing: 10.7%	Maj	525	22.8 ●	
		511	22.2 ●	
		384	16.7 ●	

Summary of election results

	Year	Elec	%Poll	Con	Lab	LD	Grn	CPA	UKIP	BNP	S All	Ind
Addison	2006	8,160	45.4	42.5	30.3	10.4	14.8	2.0				
	2002	7,931	29.9	40.5	44.2	15.3						
Askew	2006	8,539	37.2	26.9	38.6	34.6						
	2002	8,196	26.6	18.5	51.9	18.5					6.1	4.8
Avonmore and Brook Green	2006	8,481	38.4	56.9	29.0	14.1						
	2002	8,078	34.1	41.4	34.8	12.5						11.3
College Park & Old Oak	2006	4,662	31.8	19.7	45.7	18.3						16.3
	2002	4,743	24.8	15.3	67.2	17.5						
Fulham Broadway	2006	7,549	44.7	50.2	35.0	7.6				7.2		
	2002	7,236	37.8	44.8	47.7	7.5						
Fulham Reach	2006	7,628	44.4	50.3	38.2	11.5						
	2002	7,510	34.3	43.5	42.1	10.4						4.0
Hammersmith Broadway	2006	7,831	37.2	40.1	44.3	15.6						
	2002	7,577	28.3	27.1	52.1	17.9			2.9			
Munster	2006	7,703	35.5	69.3	18.3	12.3						
	2002	8,078	27.2	61.5	27.1	11.3						
North End	2006	7,795	42.5	49.6	40.0	10.4						
	2002	7,753	33.1	39.5	45.5	9.9					5.0	
Palace Riverside	2006	5,431	51.1	45.3	9.7	5.9						39.1
	2002	5,400	40.6	68.1	19.8	12.1						
Parson's Green and Walham	2006	7,579	42.1	75.6	13.4	11.0						
	2002	7,283	34.1	71.8	16.9	11.4						
Ravenscourt Park	2006	7,397	49.3	50.6	34.1	15.3						
	2002	6,872	45.5	36.0	36.9	27.1						
Sands End	2006	7,363	41.6	60.0	32.3	7.7						
	2002	6,886	37.7	44.6	48.3	7.1						
Shepherds Bush Green	2006	7,800	31.6	35.4	40.3	24.3						
	2002	7,246	26.2	62.0	25.1	12.9						
Town	2006	7,296	35.4	64.4	19.6	16.0						
	2002	7,143	27.5	62.0	25.1	12.9						
Wormholt and White City	2006	8,081	33.9	25.8	50.2	16.6						7.4
	2002	7,652	25.6	19.1	64.9	15.9						

Majorities and the wards in order of margin

1.	● Alexander Chalk	Shep Bush Green	4	0.2
2.	● Stephen Cowan	Hsmth Bdwy	9	0.3
3.	● Lisa Homan	Askew	28	1.0
4.	● Rory Vaughan	Askew	34	1.2
5.	● Lisa Nandy	Hsmth Bdwy	51	1.9
6.	● Michael Cartwright	Hsmth Bdwy	51	1.9
7.	● Gillian Dickenson	Askew	134	4.6
8.	● Melanie Scott-Russell	Palace Riverside	127	4.7
9.	● Mercy Umeh	Shep Bush Green	111	6.3
10.	● Lucy Gugen	North End	197	6.4
11.	● Donald Johnson	Palace Riverside	183	6.8
12.	● Sarah Gore	North End	226	7.3
13.	● Edmund Owen	Shep Bush Green	174	8.3
14.	● Andrew Johnson	Palace Riverside	289	8.9
15.	● Caroline Ffiske	North End	290	9.4
16.	● Peter Tobias	Addison	388	9.6
17.	● Belinda Donovan	Addison	406	10.1
18.	● Paul Bristow	Fulham Reach	351	10.8
19.	● Gavin Donovan	Fulham Reach	399	12.3
20.	● Rachel Ford	Fulham Bdwy	419	12.8
21.	● Helen Binmore	Addison	523	13.0
22.	● Eugenie K. White	Ravenscourt Park	460	13.3
23.	● Victoria Brocklebank-Fowler	Fulham Bdwy	453	13.8
24.	● Harry Phibbs	Ravenscourt Park	498	13.4
25.	● Aidan Burley	Fulham Bdwy	491	15.0
26.	● Dame Sally Powell	Wormholt	384	16.7
27.	● Lucy Ivimy	Ravenscourt Park	588	17.0
28.	● Reg McLoughlin	College Park	302	21.3
29.	● Colin Aherne	Wormholt	511	22.2
30.	● Jean Campbell	Wormholt	525	22.8
31.	● Jeanette Bentley	Sands End	663	23.1
32.	● Jane Law	Sands End	670	23.4
33.	● Stephen Hamilton	Sands End	684	23.9
34.	● Robert Iggulden	Avonmore	816	24.6
35.	● William Bethell	Avonmore	786	26.2
36.	● Wesley Harcourt	College Park	378	26.7
37.	● Alexandra Robson	Avonmore	816	27.2
38.	● Antony Lillis	Town	1,015	41.7
39.	● Greg Smith	Town	1,031	42.4
40.	● Stephen Greenhalgh	Town	1,042	42.8
41.	● Alexander Karmel	Munster	1,228	48.8
42.	● Adronie Alford	Munster	1,254	49.8
43.	● Michael Adam	Munster	1,317	51.5
44.	● Mark Loveday	Parson's Green	1,848	61.0
45.	● Frances Stainton	Parson's Green	1,862	61.5
46.	● Nicholas Botterill	Parson's Green	1,881	62.1

Labour: 13 seats

College Park and Old Oak	2 Lab	340	24.0
Wormholt and White City	3 Lab	473	20.6
Shepherds Bush Green	2 Lab	143	6.8
Askew	3 Lab	65	2.3
Hammersmith Broadway	3 Lab	37	1.4

Conservative majority: 20 seats

Shepherds Bush Green	1 Con	4	0.2
Palace Riverside	2 Con	155	5.8
North End	3 Con	238	7.7
Fulham Reach	3 Con	346	10.7
Addison	3 Con	439	10.9
Fulham Broadway	3 Con	454	13.9
Ravenscourt Park	3 Con	515	14.9
Sands End	3 Con	672	23.5
Avonmore and Brook Green	3 Con	780	26.0
Town	3 Con	1,029	42.3
Munster	3 Con	1,266	49.5
Parson's Green and Walham	3 Con	1,864	61.5

Conservatives: 33 seats

Breakdown of results

Shepherds Bush				Con	Lab	LD	Green	Others	Total
2006	Electorate	29,082	Votes	2,719	4,073	2,389	0	415	9,596
	%Turnout	33.6	Votes%	28.3	42.4	24.9	0.0	4.3	99.9
	%Swing	11.8	Councillors	1	10	0	0	0	11
	Lab to Con		Candidates	11	11	11	0	2	35
2002	Electorate	27,837	Votes	1,431	4,098	1,325	0	232	7,086
	%Turnout	27.9	Votes%	20.2	57.8	18.7	0.0	3.3	100.0
			Councillors	0	11	0	0	0	11
			Candidates	11	11	11	0	2	35
			Change	+ 8.1	-15.4	+ 6.2	0.0	+ 1.0	

Askew, College Park & Old Oak, Shepherds Bush Green, Wormholt & White City

Hammersmith				Con	Lab	LD	Green	Others	Total
2006	Electorate	31,869	Votes	6,513	4,637	1,938	597	80	13,765
	%Turnout	41.8	Votes%	47.3	33.7	14.1	4.3	0.6	100.0
	%Swing	9.5	Councillors	9	3	0	0	0	12
	Lab to Con		Candidates	12	12	12	1	1	38
2002	Electorate	30,458	Votes	3,844	4,408	1,962	0	391	10,605
	%Turnout	34.5	Votes%	36.2	41.6	18.5	0.0	3.7	100.0
			Councillors	4	8	0	0	0	12
			Candidates	12	12	12	0	3	
			Change	+11.1	- 7.9	- 4.4	+ 4.3	- 3.1	

Addison, Avonmore & Brook Green, Hammersmith Broadway, Ravenscourt Park

North Fulham				Con	Lab	LD	Green	Others	Total
2006	Electorate	30,675	Votes	6,775	4,278	1,422	0	236	12,711
	%Turnout	41.8	Votes%	53.3	33.7	11.2	0.0	1.8	100.0
	%Swing	7.3	Councillors	12	0	0	0	0	12
	Lab to Con		Candidates	12	12	12	0	1	37
2002	Electorate	30,089	Votes	4,564	4,065	1,021	0	225	9,875
	%Turnout	33.1	Votes%	46.2	41.2	10.3	0.0	2.3	100.0
			Councillors	5	7	0	0	0	12
			Candidates	12	12	12	0	3	39
			Change	+ 7.1	- 7.5	+ 0.9	0	- 0.5	

Fulham Broadway, Fulham Reach, Munster, North End

South Fulham				Con	Lab	LD	Green	Others	Total
2006	Electorate	27,669	Votes	6,855	2,287	1,167	0	1,056	11,365
	%Turnout	42.6	Votes%	60.3	20.1	10.3	0.0	9.3	100.0
	%Swing	4.6	Councillors	11	0	0	0	0	11
	Lab to Con		Candidates	11	11	11	0	2	33
2002	Electorate	26,712	Votes	5,440	2,628	996	0	0	9,064
	%Turnout	35.0	Votes%	60.0	29.0	11.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
			Councillors	9	2	0	0	0	11
			Candidates	11	11	11	0	0	33
			Change	+ 0.3	- 8.9	- 0.7	0	+ 9.3	

Palace Riverside, Parson's Green & Walham, Sands End, Town

Incoming and outgoing councillors

Councillors newly elected (26)

- Jeanette Bentley, Sands End
- Helen Binmore, Addison
- Paul Bristow, Fulham Reach
- Victoria Brocklebank-Fowler, Fulham Broadway
- Aidan Burley, Fulham Broadway
- Jean Campbell, Wormholt & White City
- Alex Chalk, Shepherds Bush Green
- Gill Dickenson, Askew
- Belinda Donovan, Addison
- Caroline Ffiske, North End
- Rachel Ford, Fulham Broadway
- Sarah Gore, North End
- Lucy Gugen, North End
- Robert Iggulden, Avonmore & Brook Green
- Lucy Ivimy, Ravenscourt Park, elected in a 2005 by-election
- Andrew Johnson, Fulham Reach
- Jane Law, Sands End
- Lisa Nandy, Hammersmith Broadway
- Ed Owen, Shepherds Bush Green
- Harry Phibbs, Ravenscourt Park
- Alexandra Robson, Avonmore & Brook Green
- Melanie Scott-Russell, Palace Riverside
- Greg Smith, Town
- Peter Tobias, Addison
- Rory Vaughan, Askew
- Eugenie White, Ravenscourt Park

Councillors returning after an absence (2)

- Stephen Hamilton, Sands End
- Lisa Homan, Askew

Councillors standing down (15)

- Min Birdsey, Fulham Reach
- Charlie Boyle, Fulham Reach
- Huw Davies, Hammersmith Broadway
- Sian Dawson, Avonmore & Brook Green
- Fiona Evans-Lothian, Ravenscourt Park
- Ivan Gibbons, Shepherds Bush Green
- Christine Graham, Askew
- Greg Hands MP, Town
- Ghassan Karian, Addison
- Jolyon Neubert, Avonmore & Brook Green
- Colin Pavelin, Sands End, re-elected in a 2002 by-election
- Andrew Slaughter MP, North End
- Tim Stanley, Askew
- Josie Wicks, Askew
- David Williams, North End

Councillors defeated (13)

- Chris Allen, Ravenscourt Park
- Emile Al-Uzaizi (elected as Con) Palace Riverside
- Brendan Bird, Sands End
- Stephen Burke, Wormholt & White City, standing in Fulham Reach
- Dominic Church, Fulham Broadway, standing in Town
- Siobhan Coughlin, Addison
- Andrew Jones, Fulham Broadway
- Jafar Khaled, Shepherds Bush Green
- Amanda Lloyd-Harris (elected as Con), Palace Riverside
- Charlie Napier, Fulham Broadway
- Melanie Smallman, Addison
- Charlie Treloggan, North End
- Jenny Vaughan, Sands End, standing in Parson's Green & Walham

Councillors departing during term (2)

- Caroline Donald, Ravenscourt Park (deceased)
- Stephen Hamilton, Sands End (disqualified)

By-elections: 2006-2010

Sands End

Thursday 1st May 2008

Caused by the resignation of Cllr Jeanette Bentley, Con

No change

2008 electorate %turnout		8,217	50.1	+ 8.5
Alexandra E. De Lisle	**Con**	**2,257**	**57.5**	**- 2.5**
Brendan J. Bird	Lab	1,147	29.2	- 3.1
Dugald R. McInnes	LD	518	13.2	+ 5.5
Lab to Con swing 0.6%	Maj	1,110	28.3	

Town

Thursday 15th October 2009

Caused by the death of Cllr Antony Lillis, Con

No change

2009 electorate %turnout			54.7	+13.6
Oliver D. Craig	**Con**	**970**	**63.4**	**- 2.5**
Paul Kennedy	LD	289	18.9	+ 2.9
Andrew Jones	Lab	271	17.7	- 1.9
Con to LD swing 2.0%	Maj	681	44.5	