
Local Elections – 1st May 2008

Report by the Returning Officer

1. DISTRICT

- 1.1 In accordance with the District of Huntingdonshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2002, elections in 18 Wards of the District were held on 1st May 2008 and the results are summarised in Appendix A.

There were contests in all Wards. In the Buckden Ward there was a contested election to fill a casual vacancy.

Appendix B contains a complete list of Members of the Council, showing the years in which they will retire.

2. TOWNS AND PARISHES

- 2.1 Ordinary elections were held in 18 Towns/Parishes in the District and there were contests in four. In four Towns/Parishes the number of nominations equalled the number of vacancies. In nine the number of nominations fell short of the number of vacancies and those Parish Councils now will be invited to co-opt to fill the remaining vacancies. In addition, in the Parish of Grafham no nominations were received. Nominations again will be invited for the vacancies.

Following the decision to group the Parishes of Offord Cluny and Offord D'Arcy with effect from 1st May 2008, there also was an election for the new Parish of Offord Cluny and Offord D'Arcy. The number of nominations fell short of the number of vacancies and the Parish Council now will be invited to co-opt to fill the remaining vacancy.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- 3.1 I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the staff who were engaged in taking the poll and/or counting the votes on 1st and 2nd May 2008. My sincere thanks are due to all concerned.