

<b>Newark Constituency</b> <b>County Election Results</b> <b>June 4<sup>th</sup> 2009</b>
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**Southwell & Caunton**

Peter Harris (Lib Dem)	2281	43.0%
Glenn Bardill (Lab)	265	5.0%
Bruce Laughton (Cons)	2765	52.0%
Electorate	9682	
Turn Out	55%	<i>(This was the largest turn-out for any Division in Nottinghamshire)</i>

**Bingham**

George Davidson (Lib Dem)	1207	29.0%
Alan Tiplady (Lab)	410	10.0%
Terry Coleman (Ind)	510	12.0%
Martin Suthers (Cons)	2020	49.0%
Electorate	9096	Turn Out 46%

**Newark West**

Declan Logue (Lib Dem)	387	17.0%
Ian Campbell (Lab)	450	19.0%
Gill Dawn (Ind)	483	21.0%
Keith Girling (Cons)	980	43.0%
Electorate	8209	Turn Out 28%

**Collingham**

Marylyn Rayner (Lib Dem)	1325	38%
Vincent Dobson (Cons)	2160	62%
Electorate	9664	Turn Out 36%

**Tuxford**

Brian Cane (Lib Dem)	910	22%
Marylyn Mc Carthy (Lab)	694	17%
John Hemsall (Cons)	2511	61%
Electorate	10,051	Turn Out 41%

**Newark East**

Chris Harrison (Lib Dem)	746	30%
John Bell (Lab)	441	18%
Peter Prebble (Cons)	1267	52%
Electorate	7483	Turn Out 33%

**Farndon & Muskham**

Antony Barson (Lib Dem)	657	21%
Brian Howes (Lab)	326	10%
Sue Saddington (Cons)	2178	69%
Electorate	6256	Turn Out 51%

**Balderton**

Neil Allen (Lib Dem)	559	24%
Carola Richards (Lab)	410	17%
Keith Walker (Cons)	1401	59%
Electorate	7715	
Turn Out	31%	

<b>Newark Constituency Overall</b> <b>(excluding two small enclaves)</b>
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<b>LIB DEM</b>	<b>8072</b>	<b>29.5%</b>	<b>(2<sup>nd</sup>)</b>
<b>LAB</b>	<b>2996</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>(3<sup>rd</sup>)</b>
<b>CONS</b>	<b>15282</b>	<b>55.9%</b>	<b>(1<sup>st</sup>)</b>
<b>OTHERS</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>(4<sup>th</sup>)</b>
<b>ELECTORATE</b>	<b>68156</b>		
<b>TURN OUT</b>	<b>27343</b>	<b>40%</b>	

**COMMENT**

A political revolution is occurring in the UK. The BBC projected national vote share from the Elections was Lib Dem 28% and Labour 23%. In our area, the difference between Lib Dem and Labour was even more stark with Lib Dem at 29.5% and Labour at 11%. No longer can anyone think of Lib Dems as of no consequence.

Many local people have voted Conservative to keep Labour out in the past. Others have voted Labour to keep the Conservatives out. People have hoped in vain that one of the two old parties would improve British politics.

Now with three strong parties all this thinking is out of date. It is the Lib Dems who are the credible best hope for the future.

Nick Clegg and Vince Cable are respected, sensible and strong. Lib Dems control many of the major cities of the UK. They had 6 million votes at the last 2005 General Election, a significant total compared with the Conservatives at 8.8 million votes.

Unless you are die-hard Tory or die-hard Labour, you have to support the Liberal Democrats in future if you want real credible change. Neither of the old parties will reform the political system sufficiently.

In the Newark Constituency, the greatest power lies with the 40,000 or so in our area who did not vote at all. If just some of those voted Liberal Democrat, both Tories and Labour would be sent packing. Are there any younger (or older) people out there in the Newark area who will help us to achieve this ?

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