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Nork By-election Results

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The only vote held in Surrey saw the Residents Association hold the Nork and Tattenhams by-election, while Reform UK moved up to second place after securing more votes than the Conservatives, Labour and Lib Dems combined.

The May 1 poll took despite elections being cancelled across the county so council staff could work on devolution plans to merge Surrey and its boroughs and districts – making this the only meaningful snapshot of the electorate to take place.

The seat became available after the former leader of the residents association, Nick Harrison, decided to call time on the council.

He had represented the area for 20 years having first been elected to represent Nork and Tattenhams in 2005.

Taking his place will be fellow residents association member Peter Harp who secured a resounding majority of 54 per cent after receiving 2,084 votes when ballots were counted on Friday May 2.

Cllr Harp was already a serving member for Reigate and Banstead Council on a platform of believing in the importance of the environment as well as, preserving and enhancing Nork.

Reform UK's Elizabeth Cooper was the runner up after 902 people put a cross next to her name – enough for a 23 per cent share of the vote.

Rounding out the rest of the results were Pamela Freeman of the Conservatives with 515.

Esme Wright of Labour on 167, Mike Robinson, Liberal Democrats, 106, and Alistair Morten, The Green Party, 93.

In all there were 3,867 votes cast for a 32 per cent turnout.

The result does not change the political balance of Surrey County Council which remains under Conservative control with 44 councillors. The Liberal Democrats, and Resident Associations each have 16 councillors, with two Labour, two Green, and one non-aligned independent making up the opposition.

Results in full

- Peter Harp Nork and Tattenhams Residents' Association 2084 54% Elected
- Elizabeth Cooper Reform UK 902 23% Not elected
- Pamela Freeman Conservative 515 13% Not elected
- Esme Wright Labour 167 4% Not elected
- Mike Robinson Liberal Democrats 106 3% Not elected
- Alistair Morten The Green Party 93 2% Not elected

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