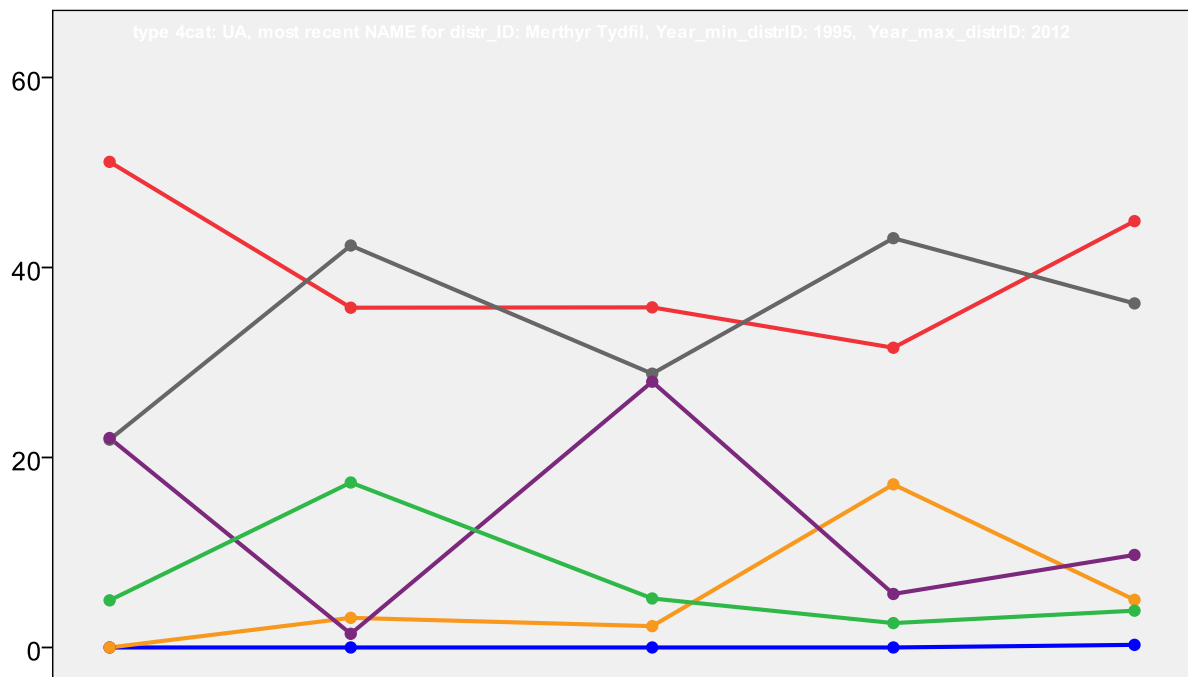


# Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Election Results 1995-2012



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Front cover: the graph shows the distribution of percentage vote shares over the period covered by the results. The lines reflect the colours traditionally used by the three main parties. The grey line is the share obtained by Independent candidates while the purple line groups together the vote shares for all other parties.

Rear cover: the top graph shows the percentage share of council seats for the main parties as well as those won by Independents and other parties. The lines take account of any by-election changes (but not those resulting from elected councillors switching party allegiance) as well as the transfers of seats during the main round of local election.

The lower graph shows for each main round of local elections the overall percentage turnout (solid line), the percentage of women candidates standing at (dotted line) and the percentage of women among those elected (hashed line).

## Merthyr Tydfil - 1995

### Bedlinog (2747)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Williams H.	Lab	692	60.2
Thomas H. Ms.	Lab	660	-
Barrar R.	Ind	457	39.8
Roberts G.	Ind	347	-
<b>Turnout</b>		41.5	20.5

### Cyfarthfa (4855)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Elliott L.	Ind Res	1,118	52.0
Evans C. Ms.	Lab	1,030	48.0
Jones J. Ms.	Lab	864	-
Goodwin L.	Ind Res	823	-
King W.	Lab	732	-
Popp M.	Ind Res	608	-
<b>Turnout</b>		37.6	4.1

### Dowlais (5459)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Thomas R.	Lab	1,299	46.1
Lewis T.	Lab	1,043	-
Pritchard J.	Lab	984	-
Healy W.	Ind Res	968	34.3
Harbord H.	Lab	953	-
Hargreaves H.	Ind Res	883	-
Amos J.	Ind	552	19.6
Maliphant A. Ms.	Ind Res	535	-
<b>Turnout</b>		36.4	11.7

### Gurnos (4272)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Cleary J.	Lab	1,020	79.9
Smith W.	Lab	993	-
Griffiths O.	Lab	914	-
Jarrett D.	Lab	888	-
Johnson D. Ms.	Ind Res	256	20.1
Thomas R. Ms.	Ind Res	180	-
<b>Turnout</b>		29.0	59.9

### Merthyr Vale (3149)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Lewis D.	Lab	1,201	53.8
Sims E.	Lab	1,089	-
Edwards J.	Ind	1,033	46.2
Treen A.	Ind	486	-
<b>Turnout</b>		60.9	7.5

### Park (3521)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Stanfield J.	Lab	795	57.9
Phillips D.	Lab	782	-
Tate E. Ms.	Lab	751	-
Johnson J.	Ind Res	579	42.1
Jones J. Ms.	Ind Res	478	-
Thomas K. Ms.	Ind Res	441	-
<b>Turnout</b>		39.8	15.7

### Penydarren (4097)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Mahoney T.	Lab	998	55.1
Saunders P.	Lab	962	-
Keane M.	Lab	868	-
James D.	Ind Res	814	44.9
Edwards D. Ms.	Ind Res	652	-
<b>Turnout</b>		40.1	10.2

### Plymouth (3987)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Jones H.	Lab	1,460	56.1
Games D.	Lab	1,335	-
Handley J.	Lab	1,017	-
Griffiths B.	Ind Res	636	24.4
Elliott M.	Ind	508	19.5
<b>Turnout</b>		47.4	31.6

### Town (5281)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Matthews L. Ms.	Lab	1,376	37.6
Clark I.	Lab	1,354	-
Jones C.	Lab	1,255	-
Davies T.	Lab	1,214	-
Thomas W.	PC	1,171	32.0
Davies C.	Ind	643	17.6
Rees J.	Ind Res	471	12.9
Baynham S. Ms.	Ind	447	-
<b>Turnout</b>		43.6	5.6

### Treharris (4698)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Evans G. Ms.	Lab	1,299	48.0
Jones A.	Lab	1,228	-
Galsworthy E.	Ind	1,040	38.5
Scully D.	Lab	766	-
Williams K.	Green	365	13.5
<b>Turnout</b>		38.6	9.6

### Vaynor (2722)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Baynham A.	Ind	933	50.8
Rogers C. Ms.	Lab	902	49.2
Chambers M.	Lab	663	-
Wilson B.	Ind	353	-
<b>Turnout</b>		55.8	1.7

## Merthyr Tydfil - 1999

### Bedlinog (2657)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Smart L.	Ind	828	55.5
Thomas H. Ms.*	lab	664	44.5
Thomas I.	lab	392	-
<b>Turnout</b>		56.2	11.0

### Cyfarthfa (4699)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Elliott L.*	Ind	1,483	66.3
Goodwin L.	Ind	1,140	-
Williams L. Ms.	Ind	989	-
Brown S.	lab	754	33.7
Chaplin A. Ms.	lab	679	-
Watkins P. Ms.	lab	517	-
<b>Turnout</b>		47.6	32.6

### Dowlais (5188)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Hargreaves H.	Ind	947	36.0
Thomas R.	Lab	878	33.4
Pritchard J.*	Ind	823	-
Owens P.	Ind	822	-
Amos J.	Ind	806	-
Cowdell A.	PC	804	30.6
Lewis T.*	Lab	769	-
Sullivan M.*	Lab	727	-
Harbord H.	Lab	712	-
<b>Turnout</b>		41.0	2.6

### Gurnos (3979)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Phillips D.*	Ind	743	52.2
Driscoll B.*	lab	681	47.8
Davies A.	lab	635	-
Smith W.*	lab	619	-
Mantle J.	Ind	548	-
Jarrett D.*	lab	531	-
<b>Turnout</b>		35.8	4.4

### Merthyr Vale (3004)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Edwards J.	Ind	1,266	58.6
Lewis D.*	lab	896	41.4
Sims E.*	lab	672	-
<b>Turnout</b>		72.0	17.1

### Park (3470)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Toomey B.	lab	783	32.9
Stanfield J.*	lab	731	-
Gracia L. Ms.	lab	652	-
Amos A. Ms.	Ind	596	25.1
Morris M. Ms.	PC	592	24.9
Tate E. Ms.*	PC	484	-
Eynon H.	LD	408	17.2
<b>Turnout</b>		68.6	7.9

### Penydarren (4072)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
James D.	Ind	1,117	54.5
Saunders P.	lab	931	45.5
Mahoney T.*	lab	851	-
Jones I.	lab	752	-
<b>Turnout</b>		50.3	9.1

### Plymouth (3840)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Jones H.*	lab	1,190	40.0
Clark R.	lab	1,024	-
Games D.*	lab	966	-
Voyle H.	PC	935	31.4
Challis A.	Ind	852	28.6
<b>Turnout</b>		77.5	8.6

### Town (5256)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Thomas W.	PC	1,421	47.7
Pugh V.	PC	1,183	-
Griffiths D.	PC	1,102	-
Pengelly S. Ms.	PC	983	-
Clark I.*	lab	969	32.5
Jones C.*	lab	931	-
Matthews L. Ms.*	lab	929	-
Davies T.*	lab	841	-
Green A.	Ind	590	19.8
<b>Turnout</b>		56.7	15.2

### Treharris (4828)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Galsworthy E.*	lab	889	31.0
Evans G. Ms.*	lab	821	-
Whitehouse R.	Ind	819	28.6
Jones A.*	lab	771	-
Shankland M. Ms.	Ind	664	-
Hughes R.	PC	595	20.8
Moran M.	Ind	407	-
Richards C.	LD	373	13.0
Gilbert J.	Ind	301	-
Williams K.	Green	189	6.6
<b>Turnout</b>		59.3	2.4

### Vaynor (2619)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Baynam A.	Ind	1,050	68.2
Vaughan M.	Ind	765	-
Owen C.	lab	318	20.7
Watkins G.	lab	257	-
Evans R.	comm	171	11.1
<b>Turnout</b>		58.8	47.6

## Merthyr Tydfil - 2004

### Bedlinog (2577)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Smart L.*	Ind	753	57.3
Thomas H. Ms.*	Lab	388	29.5
Murphy T.	Ind	243	-
Hughes R.	PC	174	13.2
Thomas I.	Lab	135	-
Richards J. Ms.	PC	110	-
<b>Turnout</b>		37.2	27.8

Cyfarthfa (4665) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Elliott L.*</b>	PBP	1,174	56.3
<b>Brown P.</b>	PBP	942	-
<b>Taylor J.</b>	PBP	830	-
Carr S.	Lab	468	22.4
Davies S. Ms.	Lab	453	-
Williams L. Ms.*	Ind	444	21.3
Davies V.	Ind	326	-
<b>Turnout</b>		34.2	33.8

Dowlais (5033) <sup>4</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Rogers T.</b>	PBP	846	32.8
<b>Thomas R.*</b>	Lab	837	32.4
<b>Williams P.</b>	Lab	738	-
<b>Amos J.</b>	PBP	706	-
Humphries W.	Lab	692	-
Lewis T.	Lab	625	-
Pritchard J.*	Ind	540	20.9
Owens P.*	Ind	498	-
Hargreaves H.*	Ind	494	-
Randle W.	PC	357	13.8
<b>Turnout</b>		33.0	0.3

Gurnos (3537) <sup>4</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Phillips D.*</b>	Lab	567	45.3
<b>Smith B.*</b>	Lab	530	-
<b>Davies A.*</b>	Lab	491	-
<b>Jarrett D.</b>	Lab	457	-
Brown A.	PBP	432	34.5
Auger S.	PBP	430	-
Connolly R.	PBP	418	-
Howells M.	PBP	372	-
Driscoll B.*	Ind	253	20.2
<b>Turnout</b>		27.2	10.8

Merthyr Vale (2896) <sup>2</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Edwards J.*</b>	Ind	798	58.8
<b>Lewis D.*</b>	Lab	560	41.2
Hughes M. Ms.	Ind	441	-
<b>Turnout</b>		34.9	17.5

Park (3420) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Toomey B.*</b>	Lab	971	45.5
<b>Jones C.</b>	Lab	807	-
<b>Barry C.</b>	Lab	750	-
Rees C.	LD	473	22.2
Gracia L. Ms.*	PBP	465	21.8
Hadley R.	PBP	455	-
Jones G. Ms.	PBP	453	-
Tuck G.	Ind	224	10.5
<b>Turnout</b>		43.3	23.3

Penydarren (3923) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Jones A.*</b>	Ind	874	44.9
<b>Barsi C.</b>	PBP	601	30.9
<b>James D.*</b>	Ind	599	-
Greer N.	PBP	517	-
Morgan A. Ms.	Lab	472	24.2
Saunders L. Ms.	PBP	461	-
Richards J. Ms.	Lab	374	-
Thomas R.	Lab	353	-
<b>Turnout</b>		36.5	14.0

Plymouth (3834) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Jones H.*</b>	Lab	1,172	62.9
<b>Clark R.*</b>	Lab	1,139	-
<b>Games D.*</b>	Lab	979	-
Connolly C. Ms.	PBP	692	37.1
<b>Turnout</b>		34.3	25.8

Town (5317) <sup>4</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Elliott M.</b>	PBP	823	30.9
<b>Barry A.</b>	PBP	813	-
<b>Clark I.</b>	Lab	739	27.8
<b>Morgan S.</b>	PBP	712	-
Pendry R.	Lab	671	-
Powell L.	PBP	664	-
Watkins P. Ms.	Lab	626	-
Thomas W.*	PC	557	20.9
Hadley V. Ms.	Ind	541	20.3
Pengelly S. Ms.*	Lab	476	-
Pugh V.*	PC	460	-
Griffiths D.*	PC	390	-
Lewis K.	Ind	323	-
Griffiths T.	PC	319	-
<b>Turnout</b>		38.6	3.2

Treharris (4804) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Tuck I.</b>	Ind	1,054	45.7
<b>Price G.</b>	Ind	882	-
<b>Watkins G.</b>	Lab	764	33.1
Galsworthy E.*	Lab	734	-
Mansbridge B.	Lab	614	-
Davies D.	PBP	490	21.2
<b>Turnout</b>		32.9	12.6

Vaynor (2761) <sup>2</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Tovey C.</b>	Lab	611	35.7
<b>Baynham A.*</b>	Ind	596	34.8
Vaughan M.*	Ind	496	-
Grant M. Ms.	PBP	376	22.0
Evans R.	Comm	128	7.5
<b>Turnout</b>		41.6	0.9

## Merthyr Tydfil - 2008

Bedlinog (2558) <sup>2</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Smart L.*</b>	Ind	752	65.6
<b>Jones G.</b>	Ind	671	-
Thomas H. Ms.*	Lab	237	20.7
Murphy T.	LD	157	13.7
Thomas I.	Lab	118	-
<b>Turnout</b>		40.0	44.9

Cyfarthfa (4704) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Elliott L.*</b>	Merth Ind	1,108	46.3
<b>Brown P.*</b>	Merth Ind	933	-
<b>Connelly M.</b>	Merth Ind	784	-
Owen M.	Lab	586	24.5
Davies M. Ms.	Lab	533	-
Morgan C.	Ind	422	17.6
Kitcher M.	LD	276	11.5
<b>Turnout</b>		37.0	21.8

Dowlais (5055) <sup>4</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Rogers T.*</b>	Ind	1,093	54.7
<b>Thomas R.*</b>	Lab	906	45.3
<b>Williams P.*</b>	Lab	841	-
<b>Amos J.*</b>	Ind	815	-
Pritchard J.	Ind	666	-
Lewis T.	Lab	560	-
Samuel L.	Lab	526	-
<b>Turnout</b>		33.0	9.4

Gurnos (3560) <sup>4</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Tovey C.*</b>	Ind	610	55.5
<b>Brown A.</b>	Ind	603	-
<b>Phillips D.*</b>	Lab	489	44.5
<b>Smith B.*</b>	Lab	481	-
Howells L.	Ind	478	-
Davies A.*	Lab	443	-
Jarrett D.*	Lab	383	-
<b>Turnout</b>		31.0	11.0

Merthyr Vale (2921) <sup>2</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Edwards J.*</b>	Ind	840	64.6
<b>Mansbridge B.</b>	Lab	460	35.4
Hughes M. Ms.	Ind	459	-
<b>Turnout</b>		41.0	29.2

Park (3383) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Toomey B.*</b>	Lab	1,000	63.6
<b>Jones C.*</b>	Lab	950	-
<b>Barry C.*</b>	Lab	867	-
Stanfield L.	Ind	572	36.4
<b>Turnout</b>		42.0	27.2

Penydarren (3829) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Jones A.*</b>	Ind	942	72.4
<b>Greer N.</b>	Ind	715	-
<b>Davies C.</b>	Ind	606	-
Barsi C.*	Ind	551	-
Richards J. Ms.	Lab	360	27.6
Davies J.	Lab	345	-
Davies S. Ms.	Lab	253	-
<b>Turnout</b>		38.0	44.7

Plymouth (3971) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Carter B.</b>	LD	936	35.9
<b>O'Connor K.</b>	LD	906	-
<b>Games D.*</b>	Ind	854	32.8
Jones H.*	Lab	817	31.3
Pappas J.	LD	649	-
Clark R.*	Lab	644	-
Clark A.	Lab	418	-
<b>Turnout</b>		48.0	3.1

Town (5748) <sup>4</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Kitcher A. Ms.</b>	LD	1,610	46.5
<b>Morgan K.</b>	LD	1,035	-
<b>Lewis G.</b>	LD	1,025	-
<b>Griffin R.</b>	LD	1,021	-
Elliott M.*	Lab	657	19.0
Clark I.*	Lab	657	-
Barry A.*	Ind	649	18.8
Jones D.	Lab	572	-
Thomas W.	PC	544	15.7
Thomas B.	Lab	471	-
Pugh V.	PC	469	-
<b>Turnout</b>		42.0	27.5

Treharris (4933) <sup>3</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Thomas R.*</b>	Ind	1,056	53.6
<b>Price G.*</b>	Ind	881	-
<b>Smithers P.</b>	Ind	817	-
Watkins G.*	Lab	646	32.8
Galsworthy E.	Lab	516	-
Moran K. Ms.	Lab	508	-
Kitcher A. Ms.	LD	269	13.6
<b>Turnout</b>		35.0	20.8

Vaynor (2739) <sup>2</sup>			
		vote	share
<b>Barrett H.</b>	Ind	793	44.0
<b>Mytton L. Ms.</b>	Ind	617	-
Jackson S.	Lab	531	29.5
Baynham A.*	LD	392	21.8
Evans R.	Comm	86	4.8
<b>Turnout</b>		48.0	14.5

## Merthyr Tydfil - 2012

### Bedlinog (2484)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Smart L.*	Ind	534	54.8
Jones G.*	Ind	517	-
Thomas O. Ms.	Lab	292	30.0
Thomas D.	Lab	224	-
Setters B. Ms.	LD	92	9.4
Ashton C. Ms.	Comm	56	5.7
Pappas J.	LD	33	-
<b>Turnout</b>		37.1	24.8

### Cyfarthfa (5028)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Elliott L.*	Merth Ind	797	44.3
Brown P.*	Merth Ind	760	-
Chaplin T.	Lab	683	38.0
Jenkins M.	Merth Ind	655	-
Davies M. Ms.	Lab	640	-
Chaplin D.	Lab	601	-
Evans M.	PC	318	17.7
<b>Turnout</b>		33.1	6.3

### Dowlais (5113)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Williams P.*	Lab	971	58.0
Thomas R.*	Lab	948	-
Williams M.	Lab	863	-
Lewis T.	Lab	806	-
Rogers T.*	Ind	703	42.0
Amos J.*	Ind	591	-
<b>Turnout</b>		29.5	16.0

### Gurnos (3416)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Braithwaite R. Ms.	Lab	591	54.2
Smith B.*	Lab	586	-
Tovey C.*	Ind	500	45.8
Jarrett D.	Lab	496	-
Bevan S. Ms.	Lab	492	-
Llewellyn R.	Ind	419	-
Canavan G.	Ind	417	-
Brown A.*	Ind	408	-
<b>Turnout</b>		33.2	8.3

### Merthyr Vale (2805)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Mansbridge B.*	Lab	905	63.7
Roberts D.	Lab	770	-
Edwards J.*	Ind	516	36.3
<b>Turnout</b>		46.2	27.4

### Park (3371)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Toomey B.*	Lab	913	63.2
Jones C.*	Lab	888	-
Barry C.*	Lab	822	-
David S.	Ind	532	36.8
Price G. Ms.	Ind	482	-
<b>Turnout</b>		41.1	26.4

### Penydarren (3762)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Jones A.*	Ind	656	36.2
Greer N.*	UKIP	588	32.4
Isaac D.	Lab	569	31.4
Barsi C.	Ind	438	-
McCarthy J.	Lab	435	-
Johal J. Ms.	Lab	337	-
Baker K. Ms.	Ind	315	-
Regan M. Ms.	Ind	230	-
<b>Turnout</b>		36.2	3.8

### Plymouth (3894)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Jones H.	Lab	949	47.8
Carter B.*	Lab	830	-
Lewis G.	Lab	803	-
Games D.*	Ind	738	37.2
Watkins P.	Ind	523	-
Thomas S.	Ind	414	-
O'Connor K.*	LD	247	12.4
Sims A. Ms.	LD	117	-
Lambourne C.	LD	112	-
Kumar H.	Con	50	2.5
<b>Turnout</b>		44.1	10.6

### Town (5760)<sup>4</sup>

		vote	share
Jones D.	Lab	1,192	41.6
Davies D.	Lab	986	-
Davies G.	Lab	926	-
Matthews L. Ms.	Lab	907	-
Kitcher A. Ms.*	LD	571	19.9
Clark I.	Ind	458	16.0
Pugh V.	PC	385	13.4
Griffin B.*	LD	363	-
Griffiths D.	PC	356	-
Austin A. Ms.	LD	324	-
Thomas M. Ms.	Ind	323	-
Taylor S.	Ind	316	-
Powles G.	Ind	305	-
Heritage L. Ms.	LD	271	-
Roberts T.	Comm	261	9.1
<b>Turnout</b>		38.8	21.7

### Treharris (4828)<sup>3</sup>

		vote	share
Moran K. Ms.	Lab	829	50.2
Thomas R.*	Ind	821	49.8
Galsworthy E.	Lab	808	-
Watkins G.	Lab	782	-
Price G.*	Ind	611	-
Smithers P.*	Ind	583	-
<b>Turnout</b>		34.6	0.5

### Vaynor (2703)<sup>2</sup>

		vote	share
Mytton L. Ms.*	Ind	885	73.6
Barrett H.*	Ind	883	-
Reid T. Ms.	Lab	251	20.9
Barry A.	Lab	222	-
Evans R.	Comm	66	5.5
<b>Turnout</b>		44.2	52.7

