## Green Party established as the England's fourth party after local elections



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The Green Party is celebrating what it's calling a 'good night' in the local elections.

Following the results of Thursday's vote, the party have established themselves as the fourth largest party in England. The Party has, as of 9:30am so far won 9 seats off the Conservative Party and 2 off the Labour Party.

The Party have, at the time of writing, made a number of gains in areas as diverse as Richmond upon Thames, Sheffield and Trafford. The party also won its first ever seat in Peterborough and have kept Sian Berry's seat in Camden despite an intense effort to take it by Labour.

Party co-leaders Caroline Lucas MP and Jonathan Bartley are pleases with the results, despite a polarisation of politics and media attention on the two biggest parties.

Caroline Lucas said — ""The Green Party has taken a significant step forward with just a fraction of the resources of the bigger parties. We are now established as one of the four major English parties — and an electoral force right across the nation.

"From Richmond and the Midlands to Greater Manchester we've had some great results and we've still got more to come."

Jonathan Bartley said — "We've had a great story to tell this election and the voters have responded. These results tonight have cemented us as a rising force in British politics and as one of the major four parties in England.

"I want to give a massive thank you to all of the activists who turned out for us week in, week out to deliver this fantastic result. Watch this space, there's more Green wins to come."

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