Greens on track to win parliamentary seats following record local election results



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- Green Party wins every council seat available inside their target parliamentary constituency of Bristol Central
- With 34 councillors Greens are now by far the largest party on Bristol City Council, and the largest group of Green Party councillors anywhere in the UK ever
- Greens have become the largest party on Hastings and Stroud councils
- New record of 809 Green Councillors on 174 Councils

The Green Party is celebrating an historic electoral victory after it emerged as the largest party on Bristol City Council and won every available seat in their target parliamentary constituency of Bristol Central.

Across the city, the Green Party won 34 seats, becoming by far the largest party in the city and the largest group of Green councillors ever elected to a council in the UK.

Co-leader, Carla Denyer, who is standing as parliamentary candidate in Bristol Central, said:

"Bristol Central has turned totally Green. We've won all 14 council seats in the new parliamentary constituency, paving the way for the city to get its first ever Green MP at the forthcoming general election. As MP candidate for Bristol Central, I look forward to giving Bristolians another opportunity to make history. After these resounding local election results, the people of Bristol know that we don't have to accept politics as usual — something better is possible if we vote for it."

Greens also became the largest group on Stroud and Hastings Councils with 22 and 12 councillors respectively. And the Party won a by-election in Bunwell ward in South Norfolk, forcing the Conservatives to lose their majority on South Norfolk Council. The ward is in the new Waveney Valley constituency

where co-leader Adrian Ramsay hopes to become the next MP. He said:

"Over the last five local elections in England we have seen an almost fivefold increase in the number of Green councillors. The victories and the places where we have won means we are on course to see a similar increase in the number of MPs at the next general election.

"But this isn't just about what it means for the General Election, it's also what it means for those people who live in areas where Greens have power.

"We're now the largest party on key English councils including Hastings, Stroud, East Hertfordshire, Babergh, East Suffolk, Mid Suffolk, Lewes, Folkestone and Hythe, the Forest of Dean, as well as Bristol of course."

"Voters are increasingly turning to the Greens because we offer a real alternative, with sensible and practical policies to tackle local and national issues such as the cost of living, the housing crisis, underfunded and run-down public services and the terrible state of our rivers."

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