

[Lib Dem Lords inflict more defeats on Tory government](#)

Last night Theresa May suffered yet another series of damning defeats in the Lords, exposing the ever-increasing anger at her administration's undemocratic, destructive approach to Brexit.

So far the government has been defeated a total of 14 times, with the Lords rejecting the Brexit deadline and exit date, securing a meaningful vote in the Commons, and quashing attempts to hand ministers 'blank cheque' powers.

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[Single Market defeat sends a clear message](#)

The Government have received their eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth defeats in the House of Lords during the Report stage of the EU Withdrawal Bill.

A vote on an amendment to ensure our future interaction with EU law and agencies was passed by a cross-bench majority of 298 to 227

A further vote on an amendment to remove the exit date from the bill passed by a cross-bench majority of 311 to 233.

And finally, an amendment that would keep Britain in the single market passed with a cross-bench majority of 245 to 218

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[Fantastic night for the Liberal Democrats](#)

On Thursday, England went to the polls in the local elections – and **going in the pundits weren't exactly predicting a great night for us:**

Net seat changes prediction from [@StephenDFisher](#) at Oxford (and also of the GE exit poll team):

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– Number Cruncher Politics (@NCPoliticsUK) [May 2, 2018](#)

But we've defied the pundit's expectations and had a phenomenal night – our best local election result in more than FIFTEEN years.

We held every single Council and Mayoralty we were defending including, Eastleigh, South Lakeland, Sutton, Cheltenham and Watford.

And we took control of Richmond, South Cambridgeshire, Three Rivers and Kingston-upon-Thames.

Topping it off, we've gained seats across the country in Hull, Liverpool, Cambridge, Sunderland, Gosport, Merton, Portsmouth, Sheffield, St Albans, Winchester, Bolton, Barnsley (electing our first councillor in eight years with a massive majority!) and Haringey and in many, many more!

All told, we've made net gains of +75 – more than any other party and elected 536 Liberal Democrat Councillors.

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Local Elections: Your morning briefing

Firstly, I want to thank everyone who has worked so hard in these elections.

Whether you got the result you hoped for or not; you have done a fantastic job. Thank you.

So far it looks like we're on course for a great set of results.

We've defended our Councils in Eastleigh, Cheltenham and Sutton. We have also pulled off a spectacular victory in taking control of Richmond.

We've made gains in Hull, Liverpool, Sunderland, Gosport, West Oxfordshire, Cambridge, Sheffield, Portsmouth, Winchester and St Albans. We've held our ground in places like Southwark.

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