

Conservative local election results

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The local election results were remarkable. Conservatives won all over the country - from Lancashire to Devon and Somerset to Derbyshire. We won councils that we hadn't held for three decades.

Our vote share was 15 percentage points higher than Labour - a 9% swing. Labour lost over half of the seats that they contested, while we won over 250 seats.

Labour wiped out: Conservatives gained seats from Labour in the North and the Midlands. We gained control of Staffordshire, Lancashire and Derbyshire - councils we hadn't held for three decades. For the first time in Labour's history, it does not control a single county council in England.

Lib Dems in reverse: Conservatives are advancing strongly against the Lib Dems in the South West. We took control of Somerset and Devon, and are the largest party in Cornwall.