

# DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL

Epping Forest District

## Election of a County Councillor for

Waltham Abbey  
on Thursday 7 May 2026

I, Andrew Small, being the Deputy County Returning Officer at the above election, do hereby give notice that the number of votes recorded for each Candidate at the said election is as follows:

Name of Candidate	Description (if any)	Number of Votes*
ABBOTT James	Reform UK	2660 Elected
HIND Kevin Ray Clifford	Labour Party	723
LUCAS Jodie	The Conservative Party Candidate	1428
TIPPETT Paul	Liberal Democrats	554

\* If elected the word 'Elected' appears against the number of votes.

The number of ballot papers rejected was as follows:	Number of ballot papers
A want of an official mark	0
B voting for more Candidates than voter was entitled to	14
C writing or mark by which voter could be identified	0
D being unmarked or wholly void for uncertainty	41
E rejected in part	0
Total	55

Vacant Seats: 1

Electorate: 14264

Ballot Papers Issued: 5432

Turnout: 38.08%

And I do hereby declare that, James Abbott is duly elected.

Dated Tuesday 12 May 2026

Andrew Small  
Deputy County Returning Officer