

KENTON [5]

| Election | Electors | T'out | Candidate | Party | Votes |
|----------|----------|-------|---------------------|-------|-------|
| 1934 | 5,318 | 42.1 | +Charles Brown | RA | 1,638 |
| | | | +Donald C. Ellis | RA | 1,581 |
| | | | +Herbert H. Crabb | RA | 1,561 |
| | | | John W. Travis | Lab | 425 |
| | | | Sydney Walker | Lab | 423 |
| | | | Allan C. Cullington | Lab | 416 |
| | | | Leo Pendergast | Ind | 331 |

[Crabb retires from the Council]

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| 1935 | 6,006 | | Herbert S. Cox | RA | Unopp. |
| 1936 | 7,089 | 30.3 | Donald C. Ellis | RA | 1,138 |
| | | | Edward D. Martell | CCOM | 556 |
| | | | John W. Travis | Lab | <u>450</u> 582 |

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| 1937 | 8,351 | 19.8 | Charles Brown | RA | 999 |
| | | | John W. Travis | Lab | <u>655</u> 344 |

[Cox retires from the Council]

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| 1938 | 9,248 | 32.5 | Charles E. Brady | RA | 1,986 |
| | | | John W. Travis | Lab | <u>1,013</u> 973 |

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| 1939 | 10,457 | 26.1 | Donald C. Ellis | RA | 1,674 |
| | | | John W. Travis | Lab | <u>1,048</u> 626 |

[Resignation of Ellis]

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| 1942 (18/7) | | | Edwin Priestley | RA | Co-opt. |
| | | | Mary E. Webb | Ind R | |

[Brown contests Harrow-on-the-Hill and Greenhill ward. Priestley retires from the Council]

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| 1946 | 15,000 | 37.5 | John W. Travis | Lab | 2,109 |
| | | | George W. Hall | Lab | 2,075 |
| | | | William A. Rattenbury | L | 1,786 |
| | | | William Ridgway | L | 1,750 |
| | | | Walter R. Cowen | C | 1,708 |
| | | | Stanley R. Miller | C | 1,620 |

[Brady retires from the Council]

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|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|--|----------------------|--|
| 1947 | 15,162 | 43.7 | Walter R. Cowen William Ridgway Francis A. Goddard Gladys M. Driver | C L Lab Com | 3,186 1,654 1,523 <u>267</u> 1,532 |
| 1948 | 15,323 | 47.3 | Albert E.P.F. MacRae George W. Hall Percy Mitchell | C Lab L | 4,314 2,147 <u>784</u> 2,167 |
| 1949 | 11,138** | 47.6 | Stanley R. Miller John W. Travis | C Lab | 3,642 <u>1,663</u> 1,979 |
| 1950 | 10,809 | 46.8 | Walter R. Cowen Francis A. Goddard | C Lab | 3,533 <u>1,521</u> 2,012 |
| 1951 | 10,636 | 43.7 | Albert E.P.F. MacRae Sarah R. Edgeworth | C Lab | 3,474 <u>1,172</u> 2,302 |
| 1952 | 10,675 | 49.5 | Stanley R. Miller Ronald V. Spurway | C Lab | 3,380 <u>1,904</u> 1,476 |
| 1953 | 10,606 | 53.8 | Walter R. Cowen Ronald V. Spurway | C Lab | 3,775 <u>1,920</u> 1,855 |

| Election | C% | Lab% | RA% | Oth% |
|-----------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 1934 | - | 19.8 | 74.9 | 5.2 |
| 1935 | - | - | Unopp. | - |
| 1936 | - | 21.0 | 53.1 | 25.9 |
| 1937 | - | 39.6 | 60.4 | - |
| 1938 | - | 33.8 | 66.2 | - |
| 1939 | - | 38.5 | 61/5 | - |
| 1946 | 30.1 | 37.9 | - | 32.0 |
| 1947 | 48.1 | 23.0 | - | 28.9 |
| 1948 | 59.6 | 29.6 | - | 10.8 |
| 1949 | 68.7 | 31.3 | - | - |
| 1950 | 69.9 | 30.1 | - | - |
| 1951 | 74.8 | 25.2 | - | - |
| 1952 | 64.0 | 36.0 | - | - |
| 1953 | 66.3 | 33.7 | - | - |

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Note:

1934-1942: The main RA group in the ward was the Kenton and Northwick Park Ratepayers' Association.

1934: A local Labour Party newsletter (*The Torch*, price 1d.) dated March 1934 shows that, together with Travis and Cullington, R.G. Kendall was expected to contest the election for the Labour Party. He would appear to have been replaced by (or stood down in favour of) Walker before the close of nominations.

1935: An Independent Ratepayer candidate, Archie W. Whyborn, was nominated, but withdrew before the close of nominations.

1936: Martell also campaigned for the controlled tipping of domestic refuse.

1938: An Independent candidate, Frank Clark, was nominated, but withdrew before the close of nominations.

1942: (18/7) At a Council meeting held on 9 May 1942 Ellis proposed the following motion: "That the Council record their disapproval of the formation, among their members, of any group not envisaged by statute, which may assist or encourage the determination outside the Council Chamber of matters set out in the Statutory Summons for decision by the Council in public session."

After debate, the motion was defeated by 23 votes to 2, with five Councillors abstaining. Six days later Ellis resigned from the Council stating that his outlook and the outlook of the Council were "quite incompatible."

On a show of hands, the Council co-opted Priestley in preference to Mrs. Webb by "a clear majority."