

**GREAT STANMORE PARISH  
ELECTION RESULTS, 1894-1918**

## GREAT STANMORE PARISH COUNCIL, 1894-1918

Election	Electors	T'out	Candidate	Meeting Votes	Poll Votes
1894	326		Charles E. Keyser	73	149
			Walter Taylor	63	105
			Joseph B. Cook	56	104
			Charles Veal	56	101
			Rev. Frederick C. Jackson	42	100
			Henry Blomeley	51	91
			Richard Kirby	60	85
			William Wilson	57	75
			Thomas G. Berwick	36	69
			Robert Woodman	59	67
			James Blomeley	31	61
			James Cox	42	59
			John A. Ham	54	53
			Henry Lawford	55	53
			Albert J. Horrod	47	52
			Reuben Ambler	9	36
			Charles Chapple	27	31
			William Felton	24	26
			James White	26	26

Note: The first Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held at the National Schools on 4 December with Mr. George Donaldson in the Chair during the election. A total of 26 nomination papers were submitted, but once duplicate nominations had been excluded, the 19 shown above proceeded to the show of hands. According to the *Watford Observer*, the voting "took some considerable time" and that "many voted for more than nine candidates, so that the practical value of the vote was nil". A poll was demanded. The poll resulted in the election of Jackson, H. Blomeley and Berwick in place of Woodman, Ham and Lawford.

The result of the poll indicates that the turnout was at least 45.7%.

The *Watford Observer* gave a brief description of polling day: "As in other parishes throughout the country there was an attempt at Stanmore to get as many working men on the new Rural District and Parish Councils, and although there is a splendid mixture of interest on the Parish Council, it is pleasing to observe that the electors have re-placed their confidence in the old and well-trying Guardians and old members of the now defunct Rural Sanitary Authority. Mr. Greenhill, of Harrow, was the presiding officer, and he superintended the double election at the National Schools, Great Stanmore Hill. Carriages were flying about during the day to bring voters to the poll, and their efforts at assisting the candidates were very successful, for a good poll was secured. Owing to a delay on the part of the Returning Officer — Mr. Seabrook having been kept at Pinner until early in the morning — counting was not begun until some time after midnight. As usual, District Council votes were counted first, and the result of the poll was declared ... about two o'clock."

## GREAT STANMORE PARISH COUNCIL, 1894-1918 [cont.]

Election	Electors	T'out	Candidate	Meeting Votes	Poll Votes
1896	359		Gibbons Grinling	23	148
			Henry Blomeley	27	131
			Charles E. Keyser	30	112
			Thomas G. Berwick	25	91
			Walter Taylor	29	83
			Rev. Frederick C. Jackson	25	72
			Richard Kirby	27	70
			Charles Veal	22	65
			William V. Woodman	25	52
			William Wilson	22	43
			Robert Woodman	29	40
			Charles J. Veal	21	36
			Charles T. Tolman	13	30

Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held at the National Schools on 9 March with Mr. George Donaldson in the Chair during the election. A poll was demanded. The poll resulted in the election of Charles Veal in place of Robert Woodman.

Tolman's vote is taken from the *Hendon and Finchley Times* and differs from the figure (36) reported by the *Harrow Gazette*.

The result of the poll indicates that the turnout was at least 41.2%.

1897	358		Thomas G. Berwick		Unopp.
			Henry Blomeley		Unopp.
			James Blomeley		Unopp.
			Gibbons Grinling		Unopp.
			Rev. Frederick C. Jackson		Unopp.
			Charles E. Keyser		Unopp.
			Richard Kirby		Unopp.
			Charles J. Veal		Unopp.
			William V. Woodman		Unopp.

Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held at the National Schools on 18 March with Mr. George Donaldson in the Chair during the election.

[Resignation of H. Blomeley]

1897 (18/5)		John W. Odell		Co-opt.
		William Felton		

Note: Cllr. Kirby proposed and Cllr Woodman seconded that Odell be chosen to fill the vacancy. Cllr. Veal proposed and Cllr. Berwick seconded that Felton fill the vacancy. Upon a vote, Odell received 3 votes and Felton 2 votes.

## GREAT STANMORE PARISH COUNCIL, 1894-1918 [cont.]

Election	Electors	T'out	Candidate	Meeting Votes	Poll Votes
1898	331		Charles Adams Thomas G. Berwick James Blomeley William Felton Richard Kirby Frederic Lawford John W. Odell Charles J. Veal William V. Woodman	Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp.	

Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held on 14 March in the Boys' School Room with Mr. George Donaldson in the Chair during the election.

1899	315		Charles Adams James Blomeley John Bransgrove William Felton Richard Kirby Frederic Lawford John W. Odell Charles J. Veal William V. Woodman	Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp.	
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Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held on 6 March in the Boys' School Room with Mr. James A. Webb in the Chair during the election.

1901	320		Charles Adams John Bransgrove James Blomeley William Felton Richard Kirby Frederic Lawford John W. Odell Charles J. Veal William V. Woodman	Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp.	
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Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held on 4 March in the Boys' School Room with Mr. James A. Webb in the Chair during the election.

A tenth candidate, Rev. Stewart F.L. Bernays, was nominated. The Minutes of the Meeting recorded that: "The Chairman .... was about to put the names to the Meeting when the Rev. S.J.L. Bernays said he wished to withdraw his name as he had only consented to be nominated as he understood that nomination papers were one short of the number of seats and he would not cause an election."

[Death of Blomeley]

1901 (21/6)			Rev. Stewart F.L. Bernays	Co-opt.	
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Note: Cllr. Woodman proposed and Cllr. Adams seconded that Bernays be chosen to fill the vacancy. There were no other nominations.

## GREAT STANMORE PARISH COUNCIL, 1894-1918 [cont.]

Election	Electors	T'out	Candidate	Meeting Votes	Poll Votes
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[Resignation of Veal]

1903 (13/3)			William H. Curtis Albert D. Bowditch	Co-opt.	
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Note: Cllr. Felton proposed and Cllr Adams seconded that Curtis be chosen to fill the vacancy. Cllr. Bernays proposed and Cllr. Bransgrove seconded that Bowditch fill the vacancy. Upon a vote, Curtis received 4 votes and Bowditch 3 votes.

1904	338		Charles Adams Rev. Stewart F.L. Bernays John Bransgrove William H. Curtis William Felton Richard Kirby Frederic Lawford John W. Odell William V. Woodman	Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp.	
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Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held on 7 March in the Boys' School Room with the Rev. Vernon P.F.A. Royle in the Chair during the election.

[Resignation of Curtis]

1905 (1/12)			Thomas G. Berwick	Co-opt.	
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Note: Cllr. Bransgrove proposed and Cllr. Woodman seconded that Berwick be chosen to fill the vacancy. There were no other nominations.

1907	365		Charles Adams Rev. Stewart F.L. Bernays Thomas G. Berwick John Bransgrove William Felton Richard Kirby Frederic Lawford John W. Odell William V. Woodman	Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp.	
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Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held on 4 March in the Boys' School Room with Mr. Alfred Busbridge in the Chair during the election.

[Resignation of Berwick]

1907 (22/4)			George Brown	Co-opt.	
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Note: Cllr. Bransgrove proposed and Cllr. Felton seconded that Brown be chosen to fill the vacancy. There were no other nominations.

## GREAT STANMORE PARISH COUNCIL, 1894-1918 [cont.]

Election	Electors	T'out	Candidate	Meeting Votes	Poll Votes
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[Resignation of Brown]

1909 (17/9)			Edward R. Sherren	Co-opt.	
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Note: Cllr. Kirby proposed and Cllr. Adams seconded that Sherren be chosen to fill the vacancy. There were no other nominations.

1910	394		Charles Adams Rev. Stewart F.L. Bernays John Bransgrove William Felton Richard Kirby John W. Odell Edward R. Sherren Thomas D.J. Snare William V. Woodman	Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp.	
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Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held on 14 March in the Boys' School Room with Mr. Fred Avery in the Chair during the election.

[Resignation of Snare]

1912 (12/11)			Edward J. Minter	Co-opt.	
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Note: Cllr. Woodman proposed and Cllr. Felton seconded that Minter be chosen to fill the vacancy. There were no other nominations.

1913	419		Charles Adams Rev. Stewart F.L. Bernays John Bransgrove William Felton Richard Kirby Edward J. Minter John W. Odell Edward R. Sherren William V. Woodman	Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp. Unopp.	
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Note: The Parish Meeting to elect councillors was held on 17 March in the Boys' School Room with Mr. Fred Avery in the Chair during the election.

[Resignation of Odell]

## GREAT STANMORE PARISH COUNCIL, 1894-1918 [cont.]

<b>Election</b>	<b>Electors</b>	<b>T'out</b>	<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Meeting Votes</b>	<b>Poll Votes</b>
1913 (15/12)			Robert J. Leversuch	Co-opt.	

Note: Cllr. Kirby proposed and Cllr. Minter seconded that Leversuch be chosen to fill the vacancy. There were no other nominations.

Note: The 1916 election was postponed because of the First World War. No casual vacancies occurred on Great Stanmore Parish Council during this period and all nine sitting members continued as Councillors until 1919.

