

Appendix H

AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD FOR ESTIMATING PARTY SUPPORT

As stated in the Explanatory Notes under the heading "Percentage Tables", the method used for estimating party support at each election in each ward does not necessarily offer a precise reflection of their overall strength.

An alternative method of estimation is given in this Appendix where the single highest vote obtained by each party is used for the calculation. This approach gives significantly different results where a party has not nominated a full "slate" of three candidates. The figures are tabulated below. Where all the parties contesting an election nominated equal numbers of candidates, this alternative method of calculation provided results which were very close to those already calculated. Therefore these figures are not given below.

Ward Name and Number	Election	C%	Lab%	LDem%	Oth%
Centenary [2]	1978	60.8	32.3	6.9	-
Harrow on the Hill [4]	1990	52.9	20.0	17.4	9.7
	1994	41.1	22.4	31.8	4.7
	1998	36.7	34.4	23.5	5.4
Harrow Weald [5]	1978	40.5	21.9	33.6	4.0
	1982	39.2	15.4	44.4	1.0
	1986	32.6	16.0	49.4	2.0
Headstone North [7]	1978	51.7	10.8	11.0	26.5
	1982	43.6	7.0	22.3	27.1
Headstone South [8]	1978	26.3	18.3	25.1	30.3
	1990	24.3	27.7	41.4	6.6
	1994	17.4	30.9	47.5	4.2
	1998	14.8	45.4	31.5	8.3
Kenton East [9]	1978	36.1	50.9	7.3	5.7
Kenton West [10]	1998	35.5	46.2	11.4	6.9
Pinner [12]	1986	37.3	8.8	15.2	38.7
	1990	48.6	14.5	10.7	26.2
Rayners Lane [14]	1982	50.5	14.4	21.5	13.6
Ridgeway [15]	1986	39.2	21.0	34.1	5.7
	1990	39.9	20.2	33.3	6.6
Roxbourne [16]	1978	34.0	33.5	5.9	26.6
	1982	33.6	28.8	18.5	19.1
Roxeth [17]	1978	30.0	26.2	6.5	37.3
	1998	-	45.4	-	54.6
Stanmore Park [18]	1990	64.9	20.2	9.9	5.0
Stanmore South [19]	1978	36.3	55.7	-	8.0
Wealdstone [20]	1978	32.1	44.1	21.8	2.0
	1986	20.3	33.5	30.8	15.4
	1998	16.5	66.4	14.5	2.6