



Runnymede residents' enewsletter



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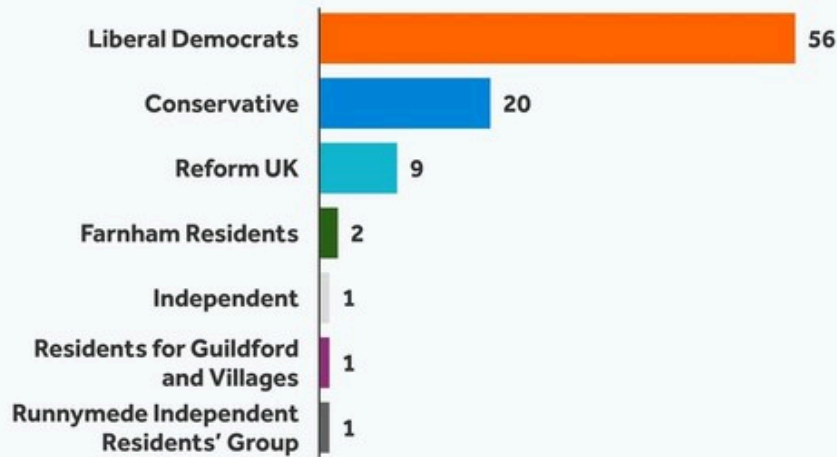


West Surrey Council elections result



West Surrey Council Election results

90 councillors elected

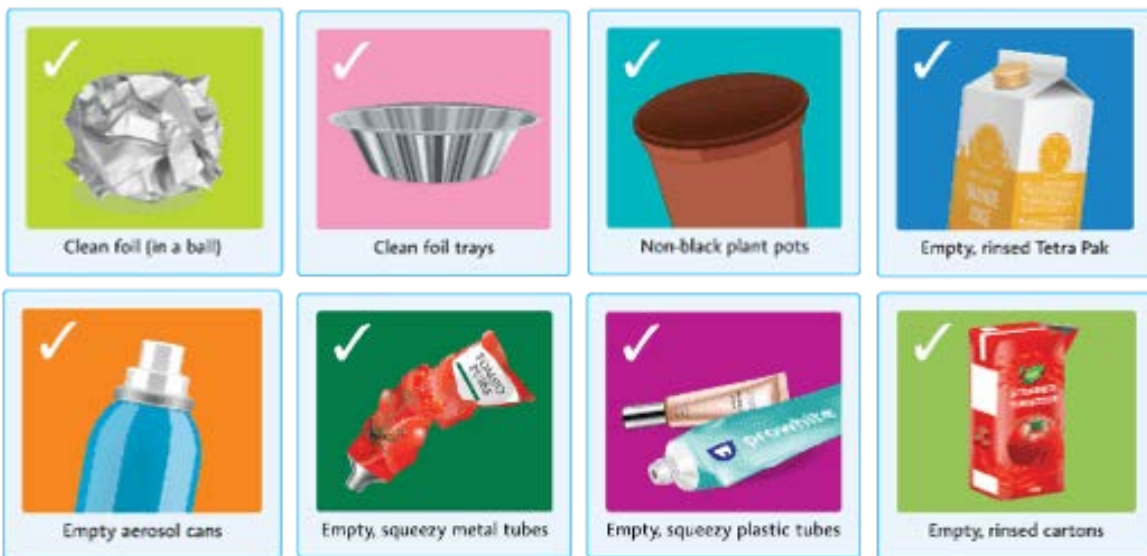


Following last Friday's count for the West Surrey Council election, Liberal Democrats secured 56 of the 90 seats available, meaning it holds the majority.

The total number of verified ballot papers was 225,203 from an electorate of 488,899 eligible voters in the West Surrey Council electoral area. This is made up of the geographic council areas of Spelthorne, Runnymede, Surrey Heath, Woking, Guildford and Waverley.

[Full election results](#)

Recycling made easier



Recycling is now easier, with more items accepted as part of the national Simpler Recycling scheme. You can now recycle items including cartons, empty aerosol cans, non-black plastic plant pots, and metal and plastic tubes.

There are no changes to your current collection arrangements. Dry mixed recycling will continue to be collected together, and food waste collections will continue as normal, with the service being expanded to more homes over time.

We're also encouraging residents to give items for recycling a bit of a rinse before putting them in the bin, and a quick reminder: heavily-soiled items like takeaway boxes can't be recycled and should go into your household waste.

Do your bit

Nominations now open for the 2026 Business Awards!



Nominations are now open for the Runnymede Business Awards 2026, celebrating the achievements of local businesses and entrepreneurs.

Businesses can nominate themselves across a range of categories, from growth and innovation to community impact.

Nominations are free and close on 4 June. Shortlisted businesses will be invited to an awards ceremony in September.

[Submit a nomination](#)

Virginia Water Neighbourhood Plan approved



Runnymede Borough Council welcomes the result of the referendum, in which residents voted in favour of the Virginia Water Neighbourhood Plan. More than 97% of votes cast were in support of the plan.

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