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### Synopsis

2 horse race between Labour and Conservatives, with Labour candidate Mary Creagh holding the seat with a small, but defensible, majority. Mary Creagh has been one of the most pro-EU Labour MP's, despite living in a strongly leave-voting constituency.

### 2017 Election Candidates

Party	Candidate	Policy
Labour	Mary Creagh	Incumbent sitting MP. Defied party whip in parliament by not supporting triggering of Article 50.
Liberal Democrat	Denis Cronin	
Conservative	Antony Calvert	
Yorkshire Party	Lucy Brown	
Independent	Waj Ali	

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### Previous general election votes

2015				2010				2005			
Mary Creagh †	Labour	17,301	40.26%	Creagh MH	Labour	17,454	39.27%	Creagh M.H. Ms.	Labour	18,802	43.34%
Antony Calvert	Conservative	14,688	34.18%	Story A	Conservative	15,841	35.64%	Shelbrooke A.E.	Conservative	13,648	31.46%
Alan Hazelhurst	UKIP	7,862	18.30%	Smith DS	Liberal Democrat	7,256	16.33%	Ridgway J.A.D.	Liberal Democrat	7,063	16.28%
Finbarr Cronin	Liberal Democrat	1,483	3.45%	Senior I	BNP	2,581	5.81%	Rowe G.J.	BNP	1,328	3.06%
Rebecca Thackray	Green	1,069	2.49%	Hawkins M	Green	873	1.96%	Hardcastle D.J.	Green	1,297	2.99%
Mick Griffiths	TUSC	287	0.67%	Harrop M	Independent	439	0.99%	Upex J.R.	UKIP	467	1.08%
Elliot Barr	Cannabis	283	0.66%	Electorate: 70,812; Turnout: 62.76%; Majority: 1,613 (3.63%) notional 6.94% swing Lab to Con 73.21% boundary change				McEnhill P.H.A.	English Democrats	356	0.82%
Electorate: 70,521; Turnout: 60.94%; Majority: 2,613 (6.08%)								Griffiths M.	Socialist Alternative	319	0.74%
				Electorate: 73,120; Turnout: 59.33%; Majority: 5,154 (11.)				Sheridan L.V. Ms.	Socialist Labour	101	0.23%