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Synopsis

Labour has won all previous elections in the period under review, with the Conservatives coming second. In 2005 and 2010 the Liberal Democrats came third. However, in 2015 UKIP came third at 13% with the Lib Dems only polling 4%. The margin between Labour and the Conservatives was very tight in 2015 which would suggest that any support for other parties could let in the Conservatives, given a possible migration from UKIP. Tactical voting for Labour is therefore necessary if the priority is to stop the Conservatives.

2017 Election Candidates

Party	Candidate	Policy
Labour	Holly Lynch	
Liberal Democrat	James Baker	
Conservative	Chris Pearson	
UKIP	Mark Weedon	

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Previous general election votes

2015				2010				2005			
Holly Lynch	Labour	17,506	40.01%	Riordan LJ	Labour	16,278	37.37%	Riordan L. Ms.	Labour	16,579	41.80%
Philip Allott	Conservative	17,078	39.03%	Allott PD	Conservative	14,806	33.99%	Hopkins K.F.	Conservative	13,162	33.19%
Liz Phillips	UKIP	5,621	12.85%	Wilson EM	Liberal Democrat	8,335	19.14%	Taylor M.F.	Liberal Democrat	7,100	17.90%
Mohammad Ilyas	Liberal Democrat	1,629	3.72%	Bates T	BNP	2,760	6.34%	Wallace G.J.	BNP	2,627	6.62%
Gary Scott	Green	1,142	2.61%	Park D	Independent Voice for Halifax	722	1.66%	Holmes T.F.	National Front	191	0.48%
Asama Javed	Respect	465	1.06%	Sangha J	UKIP	654	1.50%	Electorate: 65,041; Turnout: 60.98%; Majority: 3,417 (8.62%)			
Trevor Bendrien	Christian Party	312	0.71%	Electorate: 70,380; Turnout: 61.89%; Majority: 1,472 (3.38%) notional 2.69% swing Lab to Con 0.55% boundary change							
Electorate: 70,462; Turnout: 62.09%; Majority: 428 (0.98%)											