WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE BY SENATOR S.Y. MÉZEC ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 26th JUNE 2018

Question

Given that official election turnout figures provided by the States are based on the turnout of registered voters, will the Chairman provide turnout figures for the most recent elections, for each result, based on the turnout of eligible voters?

Answer

The latest population figures were released on Friday 22nd June and the figures in relation to the election turnout are detailed in the table below which breaks down eligible voters and actual voters by parish.

The figures for population and eligible voters are based upon the 2017 Population Estimate, which was produced by the Statistics Unit using information from the 2011 Jersey Census and more recent data sources. The number of registered voters is a known number taken from the electoral roll of the 2018 General Election.

It should be noted that the figures for population and eligible voters are <u>estimates</u>. The Statistics Unit has not received new parish-level population information since the 2011 Census. The 2017 Population Estimate assumes that the population of each parish has increased by the same proportion, which is unlikely to be true. Likewise, the number of eligible voters has simply been uprated in line with the population figures.

The estimated number of eligible voters for end 2017 is 83,620 which represents a difference of 21,497 when compared with the registered voter total as at 9th May 2018 of 62,123.

In the time available it was not possible to provide a break down for those Parishes with districts, but that information will be circulated to members as soon as practicable. With not all Deputy seats being contested it is not possible to provide a meaningful overall percentage turnout figure for the Deputies elections based on eligible voter figures.

					% of
		Voters in Senatorial	Percentage of	Registered	registered
	Estimate of eligible	election	eligible voters	voters	Voters who
PARISH	voters, year end 2017		who voted		voted
		1748	41.91%	3640	38%
GROUVILLE	4,170				
		3527	38%	7681	46%
ST. BRELADE	9,260				
		2727	35.28%	6033	42.25%
ST. CLEMENT	7,730				
		5946	20.5%	17297	34%
ST. HELIER	28,990				
ST. JOHN	2,450	1153	47%	2301	50.3%

ST.		1726	37.36%	3924	43.98%
LAWRENCE	4620				
ST. MARTIN	3200	1387	43.34%	2782	49.9%
ST. MARY	1,450	799	55%	1351	59.14%
ST. OUEN	3,450	1575	45.65%	2944	55.8%
ST. PETER	4,330	1574	36.35%	3511	43.8%
ST. SAVIOUR	11420	3575	31.3%	8482	42.2%
TRINITY	2,550	1210	47.45%	2177	55.58%
All Parishes	83,620	26947	32.22%	62123	43.38%

	Estimate of eligible	Valid votes in Deputy	Percentage of eligible voters who
	voters, year end	election	voted
PARISH	2017		
		Need number of	
		eligible voters for	
ST. BRELADE	9,260	District 2	
		2,653	34.3%
ST. CLEMENT	7,730		
		Need number of	
		eligible voters for	
ST. HELIER	28,990	Districts	
ST. JOHN	2,450	1,146	46.8%
ST. LAWRENCE	4,620	1,478	32%
ST. MARY	1,450	804	55.4%
ST. OUEN	3,450	1,556	45.1%
ST. PETER	4,330	1,544	35.7%
		Need number of	
		eligible voters for	
ST. SAVIOUR	11,420	Districts	_
TRINITY	2,550	1,176	46.1%