**Other data that exists around this topic**

Note: so far Open Council Data is the only source of councillors I have found. There are various sources for election results but it would be complicated to move from those to a list of councillors – you’d have to keep track of by-elections, who was up for election each time, boundary changes etc.

**Find Your Local Councillors (gov.uk)**

Allows you to enter a postcode and seems to generate a webpage where you can find the result. From some minimal testing it doesn’t seem to work very well. It knows which council area you are in but doesn’t always know where they have this information, and sometimes links to out of data urls: <https://www.gov.uk/find-your-local-councillors>

**House of Commons Library**

A great visualisation of parliamentary results against demographic data using scatter plots. You can also download the data.

<https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/census-data-how-do-constituencies-with-different-demographics-vote>

The author, Cassie Barton, would be great to reach out to, and has posted about creating these visualisations.

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<https://x.com/cassier_barton>

cassierbarton.bsky.social

They also have a page of ‘census results and analysis’ with dashboards to explore this data:

<https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/data-tools-and-resources/2021-census-results/>

They have a local elections handbook. The most up to date I could find is 2023. This includes a spreadsheet with full results, including the votes received by small parties across the UK, and the gender of candidates. This was created with Thrashings and Railing, and is closely related to their election handbook. There is no real information on method but the acknowledgements suggest they may be using democracy club data.

[**https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/2023-local-elections-handbook-and-dataset/**](https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/2023-local-elections-handbook-and-dataset/)

**Census data**

Access census data, including maps.

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/census>

**Local Elections Archive Project**

This seems to be a private individual, who contacts returning officers directly. It contains full results, as CSVs but not since 2021.

<https://www.andrewteale.me.uk/leap/downloads>

**The Elections Centre**

They publish a local elections handbook each year. This is run by Railing and Thrasher. It seems that most recent versions have to be purchased. The site is quite hard to navigate. It would be worth checking what they do have, and in what format.

<https://www.electionscentre.co.uk/>

[contact@electionscentre.co.uk](mailto:contact@electionscentre.co.uk)

Michael Thrasher also works for Sky News. He might be a good person to reach out to: [https://x.com/michaelthrasher](https://x.com/michaelthrasher?lang=en)

**Local Elections Archive**

Contains details on candidates going back to the 19th century. It seems this data should be on the the Elections Centre page, but its unclear exactly where.

<https://politicscentre.nuffield.ox.ac.uk/research/nuffield-elections-unit/local-elections-archive/>

<https://gtr.ukri.org/projects?ref=ES%2FL010011%2F1>

**Democracy Club**

They have data on candidates for local elections in the UK (and other elections), party, results, and who was elected. This is gathered by working with councils and crowd-sourcing. They have data on by-elections as well. The sheet for the 2024 elections is not yet shared publicly (possibly because they are working on the general election).

<https://candidates.democracyclub.org.uk/uk_results/>

**English Indices of Deprivation**

As a next step it would be easy to link sub-domain ranks and deciles to our current data. There is also data on the indicators used to create these, though these would need a bit more investigation.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/english-indices-of-deprivation-2019>

**Diversity of Councillors**

This briefing by the LGIU links out to a number of studies of diversity, including the LGA census of Councillors.

<https://lgiu.org/publication/diversity-in-political-representation-in-the-uk/#data>