

**From:** Joe [redacted]  
**To:** Clare [redacted], Martin [redacted], Adele [redacted]  
**Cc:** Sarah [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: MEDIA ENQUIRY Unusual voting place result  
**Date:** Monday, 6 November 2023 5:21:20 pm  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[image002.png](#)

It seems that the numbers have been transposed LBP = 0 , Nat = 505



Cheers'joe

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**From:** Clare [redacted] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 6, 2023 4:24 PM  
**To:** Martin [redacted] <[redacted]>; Adele [redacted] <[redacted]>; Joe [redacted] <[redacted]>  
**Subject:** MEDIA ENQUIRY Unusual voting place result

Hi team

See below – we have an enquiry from the Herald’s data journalist about a voting place result in the xml feed – are we able to look into this please? They have asked for a response by 6pm, I said I wasn’t sure we could get back to them by then.

Thank you,

Clare

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**From:** Chris Knox <[redacted]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 6, 2023 4:17 PM  
**To:** Media Enquiries <[redacted]>  
**Cc:** Sam Hurley <[redacted]>  
**Subject:** Unusual voting place result

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Kia ora,

I have been looking at polling place results in the xml feed and have noticed a surprising result. At the polling place located at Pukekohe intermediate in the Port Waikato electorate the largest number of party votes (505) were cast for the Leighton Baker Party, followed by Labour (297), and there are no votes reported for the National party.

The xml file is this one [https://electionresults.govt.nz/electionresults\\_2023/xml/e39/votingplaces/39-39034.xml](https://electionresults.govt.nz/electionresults_2023/xml/e39/votingplaces/39-39034.xml)

Can you confirm if this is correct? If it isn't correct is this an error in the xml files or is it an error elsewhere?

We would like to file a story on this today so if it possible to reply by 6pm that would be great.

Ngā mihi,

**CHRIS KNOX**  
Head of newsroom data | NZ Herald  
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