

# Local Council Elections Timetable

## Polling Day Thursday 2 May 2019

| Event   | Deadline (If no time specified the deadline is midnight on that day)  |
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| Publication of Notice of Election by the Deputy Returning Officer   | Tuesday 26 March 2019   |
| Delivery of nomination papers   | 10.00am to 4.00pm on:<br><br>Wednesday 27 March, Thursday 28 March, Friday 29 March, Monday 1 April, Tuesday 2 April, Wednesday 3 April, Thursday 4 April, Friday 5 April and from 10.00am to 1.00pm on Monday 8 April 2019 |
| Delivery of notices of withdrawals of candidature   | 10.00am to 4.00pm on:<br><br>Wednesday 27 March, Thursday 28 March, Friday 29 March, Monday 1 April, Tuesday 2 April, Wednesday 3 April, Thursday 4 April, Friday 5 April and from 10.00am to 1.00pm on Monday 8 April 2019 |
| Receipt of notice of appointment of election agents   | 1.00pm on Monday 8 April 2019   |
| The making of objections to nomination papers   | 10.00am to 4.00pm on:<br><br>Wednesday 27 March, Thursday 28 March, Friday 29 March, Monday 1 April, Tuesday 2 April, Wednesday 3 April, Thursday 4 April, Friday 5 April and from 10.00am to 2.00pm on Monday 8 April 2019 |
| Publication by the Deputy Returning Officer of statement of persons nominated:<br>a) If no objections to nomination papers made<br><br>b) If any objections to nomination papers are made, after they have been disposed of but no later than 24 hours after the deadline for delivery of nomination papers | 6.00pm on Monday 8 April 2019 or as soon as practicable thereafter<br><br>1.00pm on Tuesday 9 April 2019  |
| Receipt at Area Electoral Offices of postal and proxy vote applications   | 5.00pm on Wednesday 10 April 2019   |

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| Receipt at Area Electoral Offices of late registration applications   | Friday 12 April 2019  |
| Receipt at Area Electoral Offices of additional information in relation to late registration applications     | Tuesday 23 April 2019   |
| Receipt at Area Electoral Offices of late postal and proxy vote applications                                  | 5.00pm on Wednesday 24 April 2019   |
| Publication by the Returning Officer of notices of alteration as a result of late registration                | Thursday 25 April 2019  |
| Receipt by the Deputy Returning Officer of notice of appointment of polling, verification and counting agents | 5.00pm on Thursday 25 April 2019  |
| Receipt at Area Electoral Offices of spoilt postal votes for replacement                                      | 5.00pm on Wednesday 1 May 2019  |
| <b>Polling day</b>  | <b>7.00am to 10.00pm<br/>Thursday 2 May 2019</b>                                  |
| Alterations by the Area Electoral Officer to the register due to clerical error                               | 7.00pm on Thursday 2 May 2019   |
| Verification of 'unused' ballot papers  | As soon as practicable after 10.00pm on Thursday 2 May 2019 (completed overnight) |
| Verification of 'used' ballot papers (the opening of ballot boxes) & the Count                                | Friday 3 May 2019   |

**Note:** the above timetable excludes Saturdays (with the exception of the count), Sundays and the following Bank Holidays with exception of the deadline for receipt of additional information in relation to late registration applications which is computed in accordance with regulation 8 of the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2008

- Good Friday 19 April 2019
- Easter Monday 22 April 2019

## After the Declaration of Result

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| Receipt by candidates/agents of claims for election expenses  | 21 calendar days after the result of the election is declared   |
| Payment by candidates/agents of claims for election expenses  | 28 calendar days after the result of the election is declared   |
| Receipt by the Returning Officer of returns and declarations of election expenses by election agent   | 35 calendar days after the result of the election is declared   |
| Receipt by the Returning Officer of candidates' declarations of election expenses   | 7 working days after receipt of the agents declaration and return (or at the same time that the election agent delivers the return)<br><br>(If the candidate is outside the United Kingdom when the agent's return is delivered, the declaration must be delivered 14 calendar days after their return) |
| Publication by the Deputy Returning Officer in two or more newspapers circulating in the District Electoral Area for which the election was held, a summary of the returns accompanied by a notice of the time and place at which the return and declarations (including the accompanying documents) can be inspected | 10 calendar days after receipt of the election expenses returns   |
| Inspection of returns and declarations of election expenses   | During the period of 12 months from the date of publication by the Deputy Returning Officer of the time and place for inspection.   |