The Electoral Commission

Timetable for local elections in England and Wales: 4 May 2017

This timetable covers the following polls taking place on 4 May 2017:

- local government principal area elections (i.e. district, borough, county borough and unitary authority elections)
- parish and community council elections
- local authority mayoral elections in England
- combined authority mayoral elections in England

The days which are disregarded in calculating the timetable are Saturday, Sunday, Good Friday, Easter Monday, bank holidays (i.e. Monday 1 May) and any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

Please be aware that the timetable may change in the event of days being appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

The timetable has been developed based on draft legislation for combined authority mayoral elections and makes some assumptions about what the final legislation will provide for, and so it may be subject to change. We will update and re-publish the timetable as appropriate once the legislation is clear.

Event	Election	Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight)	Date
Publication of notice of election	All	Not later than 25 days	Not later than Monday 27 March
Delivery of nomination papers	All, excluding combined authority mayoral elections	From the date stated on the notice of election up to 4pm on the nineteenth working day before the election	From the date stated on the notice of election up to 4pm on Tuesday 4 April

Event	Election	Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight)	Date
Delivery of nomination papers	Combined authority mayoral elections	From the day after the publication of notice of election until 4pm on the nineteenth working day before the election (10am to 4pm)	Between 10am and 4pm on any working day after publication of the notice of election until 4pm on Tuesday 4 April
Deadline for withdrawals of nomination	All	19 days (4pm)	4pm on Tuesday 4 April
Deadline for the notification of appointment of election agent	All	19 days (4pm)	4pm on Tuesday 4 April
Making objections to nomination papers	Combined authority mayoral elections	On 19 days (10am to 5pm), subject to the following: Between 10am and 12noon objections can be made to all delivered nominations Between 12 noon and 5pm objections can only be made to nominations delivered after 4pm, 20 days before the poll	Between 10am and 12 noon on Tuesday 4 April objections can be made to all delivered nominations Between 12 noon and 5pm on Tuesday 4 April objections can only be made to nominations delivered after 4pm on Monday 3 April
Publication of first interim election notice of alteration	All	19 days	Tuesday 4 April
Publication of statement of persons nominated	All	Not later than 18 days (4pm)	Not later than 4pm on Wednesday 5 April
Deadline for receiving applications for registration	All	12 days	Thursday 13 April

Event	Election	Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight)	Date
Deadline for receiving new postal vote and postal proxy applications, and for changes to existing postal or proxy votes	All	11 days (5pm)	5pm on Tuesday 18 April
Deadline for receiving new applications to vote by proxy (not postal proxy or emergency proxies)	All	6 days (5pm)	5pm on Tuesday 25 April
Publication of second interim election notice of alteration	All	Between 18 days and 6 days	Between Wednesday 5 April and Tuesday 25 April (inclusive)
Publication of notice of poll	All	Not later than 6 days	Not later than Tuesday 25 April
Publication of final election notice of alteration	All	5 days	Wednesday 26 April
Deadline for notification of appointment of polling and counting agents	All	5 days	Wednesday 26 April
First date that electors can apply for a replacement for lost postal votes	All	4 days	Thursday 27 April
Polling day	All	0 (7am to 10pm)	Thursday 4 May
Last time that electors can apply for a replacement for spoilt or lost postal votes	All	0 (5pm)	5pm on Thursday 4 May

Event	Election	Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight)	Date
Deadline for emergency proxy applications	All	0 (5pm)	5pm on Thursday 4 May
Last time to alter the register due to clerical error or court appeal	All	0 (9pm)	9pm on Thursday 4 May
Sending postal vote identifier rejection notices	All	Within 3 months beginning with the date of the poll	By Thursday 3 August