

Local government elections in England: 4 May 2023

This timetable covers the following polls taking place on 4 May 2023:

- Local government principal area elections in England (i.e. district, borough, county, county borough and unitary authority elections)
- Parish council elections
- Local authority mayoral elections in England

The days which are disregarded in calculating the timetable are Saturday, Sunday, bank holidays 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.

This timetable has been developed based on the legislation as it currently stands and so it may be subject to change. We will update and re-publish the timetable as appropriate if further legislation is made.

| 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 | 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 |
| Deadline for withdrawals of nomination | All | 19 days (4pm) | 4pm on Tuesday 4 April |

| Event | Election | Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight) | Date |
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| Deadline for the notification of appointment of election agent | All, excluding parish council | 19 days (4pm) | 4pm on Tuesday 4 April |
| Publication of first interim election notice of alteration | All | At 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 | Monday 17 April |
| 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 |
| Deadline for receiving applications for Voter Authority Certificates | 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 |

| Event | Election | Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight) | Date |
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| First date that electors can apply for replacements for lost postal votes | All | 4 days | Thursday 27 April |
| Polling day | All | 0 (7am to 10pm) | 7am to 10pm on 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 |
| Deadline for emergency proxy applications | All | 0 (5pm) | 5pm on Thursday 4 May |
| Deadline for production of temporary Voter Authority Certificates | 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 |
| Delivery of return as to election expenses | Parish council | Not later than 28 calendar days* after the date of the election | Thursday 1 June |
| Delivery of return as to election expenses | All, excluding parish council | Not later than 35 calendar days* after the date the election result is declared | Refer to the following table for further information on the date for return of election expenses |
| Deadline for sending postal vote identifier rejection notices | All | Within 3 months from the date of the poll | By Friday 4 August |

*If the last day of the period falls on a weekend, bank holiday or any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning, in which case the last day moves to the next working day).

Delivery of return as to election expenses (all, excluding parish council elections)

| If the result is declared: | Deadline for return: |
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| Thursday 4 May | Thursday 8 June |
| Friday 5 May | Friday 9 June |
| Any declaration made between 6 May and 8 May | Monday 12 June |
| Tuesday 9 May | Tuesday 13 June |