

# electoral administration bulletin

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## UK Parliamentary general election: post-election feedback and data collection

As highlighted in several [recent Bulletins](#), we'd like to hear your views and experiences of administering the UK Parliamentary general election and are also collecting administrative data relating to the poll via an online portal.

### Electoral administration feedback

Thank you to everyone who has already completed [the survey](#). If you would still like to give us your feedback, the deadline for doing so is **Friday 17 January 2020**.

The survey is similar to those issued after previous polls and seeks your views on various key aspects of the administration of the election, including voter registration, nominations, polling day itself and the count. We are also asking for your views on the guidance and support provided by the Commission.

Should you have any queries about the survey, please contact [research@electoralcommission.org.uk](mailto:research@electoralcommission.org.uk).

### Data collection

We are collecting administrative data relating to the UK Parliamentary general election using a new online portal. The first step is to register, which you can do through the email which has been sent from [research@electoralcommission.org.uk](mailto:research@electoralcommission.org.uk) to your generic local authority elections email address.

It has come to our attention that some registration emails may have gone into the spam/junk email for your local authority email address. An email reminding you to register will be sent out today (8 January) from [research@electoralcommission.org.uk](mailto:research@electoralcommission.org.uk). If after today you have still not received anything, please [contact us](#). If you do find the registration email in your spam/junk email, you should be able to change the settings so that future correspondence from us will go directly into your email inbox.

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EA Bulletins are issued on a regular basis. They are one of our key channels for communicating with Returning Officers, Electoral Registration Officers and their staff. Past issues of Bulletins for England, Scotland and Wales are available [here](#). You can also [subscribe to the EA Bulletins](#).

Please [keep us informed](#) of any staff changes within your team. This will help us to keep our mailing lists up-to-date.

We are sending you this newsletter as it contains important information about the Electoral Commission's work which is relevant to you. The newsletter forms part of the Electoral Commission's public task which has its basis in the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000. We will manage your personal information and contact details in line with the General Data Protection Regulation and UK data protection legislation as

Once registered, you can access the portal using the log-in page – a link to that page will be provided when you register. It can also be found on [our website](#) and in the [user guide](#).

Your username is your local authority elections email address (i.e. the email address that received the registration email). Please note, if the system does not recognise your username, you can check the one we have listed for you in the user guide, which contains a list of all the local authority elections email addresses.

The deadline for submission of data is **Friday 17 January 2020**.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [research@electoralcommission.org.uk](mailto:research@electoralcommission.org.uk).

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### UK Parliamentary general election: forwarding of candidate spending returns to the Commission

Following a UK Parliamentary election, Returning Officers (ROs) are required by law to forward copies of candidate spending returns to the Commission.

This year we are introducing an easy-to-use method for you to supply these returns to us via Objective Connect, an online secure file sharing service.

Further information about how to access this service will be provided to you in a Bulletin once the deadline for candidates to submit these returns to ROs has passed. We would be grateful if you could please wait until we have provided you with this further information before submitting any returns to us.

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