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Subject:	RE: UK 2017 General Election Statistics - FOI 163/17 Response
Date:	13 November 2017 12:51:04

Dear [redacted],

Our Ref: FOI 163/17

Thank you for your email to the Electoral Commission dated **16 October 2017**.

The Commission aims to respond to requests for information promptly and has done so within the statutory timeframe of twenty working days.

Your request is in bold below followed by our response.

You have requested:

I am seeking statistics on the UK General Election 2017 for every Local Authority and Parliamentary constituency. Please can this include data for the following categories:

- **Online/ITR Applications (18/4/2017 - 22/5/2017)**
- **Online/ITR Applications on 22/5/2017**
- **Online/ITR Applications (18/4/2017 - 22/5/2017) broken down by age groups (18-24, 25-49, 50-64, 65+)**
- **Online/ITR Applications on 22/5/2017 broken down by age groups (16-18, 18-24, 25-49, 50-64, 65+)**
- **Additions**
- **Deletions**
- **Duplicates**
- **Overseas Additions (calculate difference from May figure -> July Figure)**
- **RM Sweep**
- **PV's from polling stations (include total number of collections)**
- **Postal Vote Replacements**
- **Emergency Proxies**
- **Rejected Postal Votes**
- **Attainers (July)**
- **Postal Voters (July)**
- **Total Electorate (July)**
- **Electorate broken down by age groups (16-18, 18-24, 25-49, 50-64, 65+) (July)**
- **Electorate - Overseas Voters (July)**
- **Electorate - Anonymous Voters (July)**
- **Electorate - Voters without a fixed term address (July)**
- **Staff Overtime (All staff hours from 18 April - 8 June (8 weeks), above normal 35 hour week (not including the count)**
- **Total Emails made by Electoral Administrators 18/4/2017 - 9/6/2017**

- **Total Phone Calls made by Electoral Administrators 18/4/2017 - 9/6/2017**

Our response is as follows:

We hold some of the information you have requested.

The data published here provides the following by parliamentary constituency and country:

- **RM Sweep**

'Administrative Data', Column BA - *How many covering envelopes were returned via the final Royal Mail sweep on polling day in time to be counted?*

- **Postal Vote Replacements**

'Administrative Data', Column R - *Total number of postal ballot papers issued under regulation 77 (spoilt and returned for cancellation), regulation 78 (lost or not received) and regulation 78A (cancelled due to change of address)*

- **Emergency Proxies**

'Administrative Data', Column AK - *How many emergency proxies were appointed for these elections?*

- **Rejected Postal Votes**

'Administrative Data', Column AI - *Number of cases in which a covering envelope or its contents were marked "Rejected" (cancellations under regulations 77, 78,78A and 86A are not rejections and should be included in items 2, 3, 5, 8, 9 and 10 above)*

- **Postal Voters ~~(July)~~**

'Administrative Data', Column Q - *Total number of postal ballot papers issued under regulation 71* – This would be for June

- **Total Electorate ~~(July)~~**

'Administrative Data', Column D - *Electorate* – This would be for June

Due to issues with local authority electoral management software, we only published the following by country:

- **Additions**

'Summary', Columns AW & AX – *Total number of new electors added to the register via the first interim notice of alteration* and *Total number of new electors added to the register via the second and final notices of alteration* - INCOMPLETE DATASET

- **Duplicates**

'Summary', Columns BA & BC – *Total number of duplicate applications received in time to be processed for the first interim notice of alteration* and *Total number of duplicate applications received between the last date for applications for the first notice of alteration and last date for applications for the final notice of alteration* – INCOMPLETE DATASET

- **Electorate - Overseas Voters ~~(July)~~**

‘Summary’, Column BE - *Total number of overseas electors on the register* – This would be for June

We do not request, from ROs/EROs, and therefore do not hold the following information:

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- **Deletions**
- **Overseas Additions (calculate difference from May figure -> July Figure)**
- **PV's from polling stations (include total number of collections)** We do obtain the *number of covering envelopes returned on polling day in time to be counted* but this includes via Royal Mail as well as polling stations (‘Administrative Data’, Column AV)
- **Attainers (July)**
- **Electorate broken down by age groups (16-18, 18-24, 25-49, 50-64, 65+) (July)**
- **Electorate - Anonymous Voters (July)**
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I trust that this information satisfies your request. The Commission strives to be an open, transparent authority.

If you are not satisfied with this response, please note that the Commission operates a review procedure, details of which can be found on the Commission website at: http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/about-us/freedom-of-information-requests/how-do-I-make-an-foi-request

Please also note that if you have exhausted all internal Commission review procedures and you are still not satisfied you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner. Details of this procedure can be found on the ICO website: https://ico.org.uk/

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