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May 2022 elections: update on party names, descriptions and emblems

As per our approach to providing updates on changes made to party names, descriptions and emblems set out in [Bulletin 316](#), below is a summary of the updates we have made since [Bulletin 317](#).

As you will see, there have been a number of recent changes to the register and whilst not all will be relevant to candidates standing in your area, it is important that you read the list of updates to parties carefully to ensure that you are aware of changes that may impact on those standing in your area:

- [Climate Party](#)
- [National Housing Party United Kingdom](#)
- [The Sovereign Party / Plaid Sofren](#)

No parties have been deregistered since the previous Bulletin.

You can find full details of what amendments have been made in our [list of recent decisions to approve or reject applied-for party names, descriptions and emblems](#). On our website you can also find a [list of applications we are currently considering](#).

When receiving nominations, Returning Officers must check that the party name or any description given on a nomination form, as well as the requested emblem, is registered on [the Commission's register of political parties](#) and that the details provided match the registration. To ensure that you are viewing the most up-to-date information, you may need to delete your browser history or refresh the page. If you are unsure how to do this, your IT team should be able to advise you.

Please [contact us](#) if you have any queries about the information contained on the registers.

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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.

If there is a new RO/ERO appointment in your authority, please contact the team in Wales by e-mailing infowales@electoralcommission.org.uk

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May 2022 elections: further call for polling station data

As set out in [Bulletin 315](#), we are once again running the polling station finder, in partnership with Democracy Club, to help make sure voters have access to accurate and timely information about how and where they can vote.

If you haven't already done so, please share your updated polling station information to support voters with heading to the right polling station. By having this information easily available online, it should help to reduce the number of calls you'll get from voters looking for this information.

Providing your data is straightforward. You can export the data from your EMS, and then upload it using Democracy Club's new [easy-to-use tool](#). Alternatively, you can still email it to pollingstations@democracyclub.org.uk.

[Detailed instructions are available for each supplier](#), if you need them.

To make sure we have time to change the information, we ask that you send your polling station data as soon as possible, if you've not done so already.

If you'd like to include the polling station finder on your own website, you can embed the Electoral Commission's new [lookup widget](#). Alternatively, we also provide an election information API (Application Programming Interface) which your IT or digital team can use to create your own bespoke election information tools.

Once you have sent your polling station data to Democracy Club, you can direct your IT or digital team to the [API website](#) to find out more about the lookup widget and API, or ask them to get in touch with us at A3@electoralcommission.org.uk.

Job vacancies at the Electoral Commission

We are currently recruiting for the following positions:

- Guidance Officer (Electoral Guidance) – FTC until May 2024
- Senior Adviser (Electoral Guidance) – FTC until May 2024
- Senior Adviser – Performance Standards (Elections Bill) – FTC until May 2024
- Regional Liaison Officer (Midlands)
- Senior Lawyer

The closing date for applications for the Guidance Officer (Electoral Guidance) role is Sunday 3 April. The closing date for applications for the Senior Adviser (Electoral Guidance) role is Sunday 27 March 2022. If you would like an informal discussion about either of these roles, please contact Mark Pascoe, Electoral Registration Guidance Manager on 020 7271 0690.

The closing date for applications for the Senior Adviser – Performance Standards (Elections Bill) role is Tuesday 12 April. The closing date for applications for the Regional Liaison Officer (Midlands) role is Sunday 27 March 2022. If you would like an

informal discussion about either of these roles, please contact Mel Davidson, Head of Support and Improvement on 020 7271 0552.

The closing date for applications for the Senior Lawyer role is Wednesday 30 March. If you would like an informal discussion about the role, please contact Binnie Goh, General Counsel on bgoh@electoralcommission.org.uk.

For further information or to apply, please visit the [recruitment page](#) of our website.

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