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May 2024 elections: electoral data collection

We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped make Thursday's elections a success. Our initial assessment is that overall, the elections were well run. Across the country, votes were cast throughout the day and in line with the law.

The Commission will now start the process of information gathering and evaluation so that we can formally report on how the elections were delivered, and on the experiences of voters, candidates, campaigners and administrators.

[Our data portal](#) is now live for the collection of data related to the May elections. You should have received an email to your electoral services email address with details on how to logon/reset your password. The [full user guide](#) is also available.

We have split the data we are asking for into two groups – they have different deadlines but both sets of data can be completed on the portal now:

- Data related to voter ID – the deadline for returns is Friday 17th May
- Core administrative data including that related to postal voting, rejected votes etc – the deadline for returns is Friday 14th June

If you have any questions about the data collection, please contact research@electoralcommission.org.uk.

May 2024 elections: gathering feedback

We are carrying out a survey of polling station staff to collect feedback about their polling day experiences.

Many thanks to those local authorities that have already distributed the link to the survey. We want to get as many responses as possible from the staff who worked on 2 May – if

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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.

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you can, please share the link below with polling station staff in your area.

<https://eu.surveymonkey.com/r/65DFF28>

The deadline for staff to complete the survey is Friday 17th May.

If you have any queries about the survey, please contact research@electoralcommission.org.uk.

We would also like electoral administrators' feedback on the polls.

Our feedback survey is now live and can be accessed here: <https://eu.research.net/r/5PNLNG5>

The deadline for completing the survey is Friday 7 June. If you have any queries please contact researchsurvey@electoralcommission.org.uk.

Elections Act: European Union Voting Rights – guidance update

From the 7 May 2024 The Representation of the People (Franchise Amendment and Eligibility Review) Regulations 2023 updates the franchise for local and Police and Crime Commissioner elections.

We have now updated our [core guidance for Electoral Registration Officers](#) to reflect the franchise change. The updates explain how to determine the eligibility of new applications made by EU citizens and EU citizens with dual nationality and the processes to use if further information is needed to establish eligibility following the change to the franchise.

Elections Act: forms and letters

Further to [Bulletin 384](#), our ITR forms are now live and can be viewed [HERE](#). The ECR letters are also live and are available for download on our website via the [Registration forms and letters page](#). All our letters and forms have been made available to the various EMS suppliers in anticipation for today, therefore any alternative design requests should be made via your supplier.

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