

Notice of Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

Notice is hereby given that Portsmouth City Council is conducting a review of its current polling districts and polling places. The purpose of the review is to ensure that polling arrangements remain suitable and convenient for voters and it will look at the designation of polling places and the sub-division of electoral wards into polling districts.

This is an interim review, and it is not connected with the local government reorganisation process. Changes to parliamentary constituency or local government ward boundaries are not within the scope of this review.

When designating polling districts and polling places, the Council must ensure that:

- (a) The scheme provides all electors with such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances, and;
- (b) As far as is reasonable and practicable, the polling places are accessible for all electors, including those who are disabled, and when considering the designation of a polling place, the council must have regard to the accessibility needs of disabled persons

In addition, there are a number of practical issues that must be considered including the availability of suitable venues.

The Council welcomes comments or suggestions from any electors within the authority area or any other interested person or organisation. Any comments or proposals should be sent to:

By post: Election Services, Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth, PO1 2AL
By email: elections@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

The consultation period closes at 5.00pm on Monday 24 August and any comments or proposals should be received by this deadline. If you are proposing a change, please provide details of your proposal and the reasons why this would be an improvement on the current arrangements.

All submissions, relevant correspondence and decisions relating to the review process will be made available for public inspection and will be published on the Council's website. For further information about how we use personal information, please see our privacy notice: <https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/elections/privacynotice>

The Returning Officer for Portsmouth City Council is required to submit representations as part of the review, and these will be published by Friday 24 July.

The Council's final decisions on the review will be made this autumn and any changes to the current scheme will be effective on publication of the 2027 Register of Electors.

Dated: Monday 13 July 2026

Natalie Brahma-Pearl
Chief Executive