Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly 2024

You must print off the forms in this pack before submitting them.

The following papers must be delivered by hand:

1a: Nomination form (all candidates)

1b: Home address form (part 1 and part 2) (all candidates)

1c: Candidate's consent to nomination (including the pages of legislation) (all candidates)

The following papers can be delivered by hand or by post:

- 2: Certificate of authorisation (party candidates)
- 3: Request for a party emblem (party candidates)
- 4: Notification of election agent (all candidates)
- 5: Notification of sub-agent

The notice of election published by the Constituency Returning Officer (CRO) will specify the times and exact location to which nomination papers must be delivered.

Ensure that where signatures are required, you submit the **original signed version** of each completed paper. Documents without original signatures cannot be accepted.

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

Data protection legislation applies to the processing of all personal data. Please contact the <u>Information Commissioner's Office</u> for further information about how the legislation affects you.

The lawful basis to collect the information in these forms is that it is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest and exercise of official authority as set out in the Representation of the People Act 1983 and associated regulations.

For further information on data protection and data processing you should refer to the CRO and GLRO's privacy notices on their websites.

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Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly for the Constituency of

This checklist is designed to assist candidates standing in the election of Constituency Members of the London Assembly and should be read alongside the Electoral Commission's <u>Guidance for candidates and agents.</u>

Task	Tick
Nomination form – all candidates	
Add your full name – surname in the first box and all other names in the second.	
Optional - Use the commonly used name(s) box(es) if you are commonly known by a name other than your full name, or you use your name in a different way to your full name, and want it to be used instead of your full name.	
Description –enter either (a) a party name or description registered with the Electoral Commission. This must match the details shown on the required certificate of authorisation for the party; or (b) the word Independent if you want this description to appear on the ballot paper. No other descriptions are allowed for candidates who are not standing on behalf of a registered political party. You may choose not to have a description at all by leaving this part of the form blank.	
Method of submitting the nomination form to the Constituency Returning Officer (CRO): by hand, by any person (the CRO may request that any person other than you has written consent from you to make the submission). It cannot be submitted by post, e-mail or other electronic means.	
Candidate's home address form – all candidates	
Add your full name.	
Add your home address in full.	
Add your qualifying address, or qualifying addresses, to each of the relevant qualifications.	
Add the full name and home address in full of the person who will witness your consent to nomination form.	
Please also complete part 2 of the form if the home address is not to be printed on the ballot papers, instead give the name of the relevant area or, where outside the UK, the country, in which your home address is situated, and sign the form. Please submit part 2 of the home address form with the nomination papers, even if you do not want to withhold your home address from the statement of persons nominated, notice of poll and ballot papers.	
Method of submitting the nomination form to the CRO: by hand, by any person (the CRO may request that any person other than you has written consent from you to make the submission). It cannot be submitted by post, e-mail or other electronic means.	
Candidate's consent to nomination – all candidates	
Each candidate must complete a consent to nomination declaring all of the information as listed below.	
You must be a British, Commonwealth or other European Union Citizen and not require leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom or have indefinite leave to remain. You must also be 18 years old or older on the date the form is signed.	
You must declare that you meet at least one of the listed qualification(s) and should cross through any that do not apply. Those left should match the qualification(s) as given on your home address form.	
You must not sign the form if you are disqualified to stand. Make sure that you read the Electoral Commission guidance on standing for election as well as the legislation listed.	

If you are not sure if you are able to stand you should contact your employer (where relevant), consult the legislation or, if necessary, take your own independent legal advice.	
Add your full date of birth.	
Sign and date the document in the presence of another person. You must not sign the consent form earlier than one calendar month before the deadline for submitting your nomination papers.	
Get the other person to complete and sign the witness section. This is the same person whose details you provided as your witness on the home address form.	
Method of submitting the form (which must include all pages of legislation) to the CRO: by any person (not limited to you or your agent), by hand. It cannot be submitted by post, e-mail or other electronic means.	
Certificate of authorisation to use party name/description on the nomination paper (party candidates only)	
Ensure the certificate contains the candidate's full name.	
Check the certificate allows the registered party name or description given on the nomination paper to be used (or allows the candidate to choose to use the party name or any registered description).	
Ensure the certificate is issued by the Registered Nominating Officer (or someone that they have authorised to issue it on their behalf) and that it is the original copy signed by that person.	
Method of submitting the form to the CRO: by any person (not limited to you or your agent) or by post.	
Request for party emblem on the ballot paper (party candidates only)	
Write the name or description of an emblem registered by the party and published on the Electoral Commission's website.	
Ensure the request to use the party emblem is signed by the candidate.	
Method of submitting the form to the CRO: by any person (not limited to you or your agent) or by post.	
Appoint an election agent (all candidates)	
Give the name and address of the appointed election agent. If you do not appoint an agent or choose to act as your own agent but do not provide an office address, your home address will be published on the notice of election agents. This will be the case even if you have requested to withhold this information on the home address form.	
The agent's office address must be within:	
 the Greater London electoral area or: a UK parliamentary constituency that is within or adjoins Greater London 	
Ensure the appointed agent signs the form showing their acceptance.	
Method of submitting the form to the CRO: by any person (not limited to you or your agent) or by post.	
Notification of sub-agent (all candidates)	
An election agent may appoint one or more sub-agents to act on their behalf. Election agents may appoint sub-agents for particular parts of the Assembly Constituency, as long as those parts do not overlap. The election agent can determine the parts into which they wish to sub-divide the Assembly Constituency area.	
Give the name and address of the appointed sub-agent	
Method of submitting the notification of sub agent to the CRO: by hand or by post. It cannot be submitted by e-mail or other electronic means.	

Deposit (all candidates)

Deposit £1000 with the CRO by 4pm on the 24 th working day before the poll.	
Confirm with the CRO that your method of payment is acceptable. Money laundering rules may apply if the deposit is paid by cash, and you may be required to provide proof of the source of the funds used.	

1a - Nomination paper	Office use only			
Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly	Date received	Time received	Initials	No.
For the constituency of				
Date of the election:				

Candidate's surname	
Other names <i>(in full)</i>	
Commonly used surname (if any)	
Commonly used forenames (<i>if any</i>)	
Description (if any)* (for ballot paper – not to exceed six words)	
Name (CAPITAL LETTERS)	
Signature	Date

Notes

- 1. The attention of candidates and election agents is drawn to the rules for filling up nomination papers and other provisions relating to nomination and deposits contained in the Constituency Members Election Rules ("CMER").
- 2. Where a candidate is commonly known by some title they may be described by their title as if it were part of their surname.
- 3. Where a candidate commonly uses a name or names that are different from their full names as stated on the nomination paper, or where the candidate uses the name or names in a different way from their full names stated on the nomination paper, the commonly used name or names may also appear on the nomination paper, but if they do so, the commonly used name (instead of any other name) will appear on the ballot paper, unless the circumstances referred to in note 4 below apply.
- 4. The statement of persons nominated, and the ballot paper will solely show the other name if the CRO thinks that:
 - a) the use of the commonly used name may be likely to mislead or confuse electors, or
 - b) the commonly used name is obscene or offensive.

1b – Home address form	Office use only		e only	
Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly	Date received	Time received	Initials	No.
For the constituency of				
Date of the election:				

You must complete Part 1

Only complete Part 2 if you do not wish your home address to be made public

Part 1: To be completed by all candidates			
Full name of candidate			
Home address (in full)			
Qualifying address: Add your qualifying address, or relevant qualifications below (you can comp			
Qualifcations that apply (1)	Address		
(a) I am and will continue to be a local government elector for Greater London			
(b) I have during the whole of the preceding 12 months occupied as owner or tenant land or other premises in Greater London			
(c) my principal or only place of work during the preceding 12 months has been in Greater London			
(d) I have during the whole of the preceding 12 months resided in Greater London			
Full name of the person who will witness the candidate's consent to nomination form			
Full home address of the person who will witness the candidate's consent to nomination form			

(1) These statements must be valid both on the day of nomination and on the day of poll.

Part 2: To be completed only if you do not wish your home address to be made public.

Note: Please submit this part (part 2) of the home address form with your nomination papers, even if your home address is to be made public.

If you request that your home address is not made public then your address will not appear on the statement of persons nominated, notice of poll or the ballot paper. Instead the name of the relevant area in which your home address is situated (or country, if outside the UK), as explained below, will appear on the statement of persons nominated, notice of poll and the ballot papers.

Statement: I require my home address not to be made public

The relevant area my home address is situated in:	(insert name of relevant area) ¹		
OR			
My home address is situated outside the UK. My home address is situated in:	(insert name of country)		
Signature of candidate (only required where Part 2 above has been completed)			
Candidate's signature:			
Date:			

Deliver both Parts 1 and 2 with the nomination paper to the CRO by no later than 4**pm** on the last day to deliver nominations.

- For home addresses in England:
 - if the address is within a district for which there is a district council, that district;
 - if the address is within a county in which there are no districts with councils, that county;
 - if the address is within a London borough, that London borough;
 - if the address is within the City of London (including the Inner and Middle Temples), the City of London; and
 - if the address is within the Isles of Scilly, the Isles of Scilly
- For home addresses in Wales:
 - if the address is within a county, that county;
 - if the address is within a county borough, that county borough
- For home addresses in Scotland:
 - the local government area in which the address is situated
- For home addresses in Northern Ireland:
 - the local government district in which the address is situated

¹ the name of the "relevant area" in which your home address is situated (if your home address is in the UK)

1C – Candidate's consent to nomination	Office use only		e only	
Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly	Date received	Time received	Initials	No.
For the constituency of				
Date of the election:				

I (name in full)

hereby consent to my nomination as a candidate for election as *the constituency member for the London constituency of

I declare that on the day of my nomination I am qualified and that, if there is a poll on the day of election, I will be qualified to be so elected by virtue of being on that day or those days a qualifying Commonwealth citizen, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland or a citizen of another Member State of the European Union, who has attained the age of 18 years and that:

- *(a) I am, from that day or those days, and will continue to be a local government elector for Greater London;
- *(b) I have, during the whole of the twelve months preceding that day or those days, occupied as owner or tenant land or other premises in Greater London;

*(c)	my principal or only place of work during those twelve months has been in Greater London;
*(d)	I have during the whole of those twelve months resided in Greater London.

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief I am not disqualified from being elected by reason of any disqualification set out: in sections 21 or 21A of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 or specified in any order under subsection 21(1)(b), or an order made under section 34(4) of the Localism Act 2011, or an order made under section 30 of the Elections Act 2022 (copies of which are printed overleaf).

Date of birth	
Signature	
Date	
Signed the declarat	ion in my presence.
Signature of witness	
Name of witness	
(WRITE CLEARLY)	
Notes	

- *You must declare that you meet at least one of the listed qualification(s). To do this, strike through any that do not apply. Any qualification(s) that apply must match the information given on your home address form.
- 2. Disqualifications set out under 21A of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 only apply to a person who is subject to any relevant notification requirements, or a relevant order, made on or after 28 June 2022

Greater London Authority Act 1999

Section 21

Disqualification from being the Mayor or an Assembly member.

- (1) A person is disqualified from being elected or being the Mayor or an Assembly member if--
 - (a) they are a member of staff of the Authority;

(b) they hold any of the offices or appointments for the time being designated by the Secretary of State in an order as offices or appointments disqualifying persons from being the Mayor or an Assembly member;

(c) they are subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim order;

(d) they have within five years before the day of the election, or since his election, been convicted in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man of any offence and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine; or

- (e) they are disqualified under--
 - (i) section 85A or Part III of the Representation of the People Act 1983, or
 - (ii) section 17 or 18 of the Audit Commission Act 1998,
 - from being elected or being the Mayor or an Assembly member.
- (2) A paid officer of a London borough council who is employed under the direction of--

(a) any of that council's committees or sub-committees the membership of which includes the Mayor or one or more persons appointed on the nomination of the Authority acting by the Mayor, or

(b) a joint committee the membership of which includes one or more members appointed on the nomination of that council and one or more members appointed on the nomination of the Authority acting by the Mayor,

[(c) the executive or any committee of the executive of that council, where that council are operating executive arrangements and the membership of that executive includes the Mayor or one or more persons appointed on the nomination of the Authority acting by the Mayor, or

(d) a member of the executive of that council, where that council are operating executive arrangements and that member is also the Mayor or a person appointed on the nomination of the Authority acting by the Mayor,

shall be disqualified from being elected or being the Mayor or an Assembly member.

- [(2A) In this section "executive" and "executive arrangements" have the same meaning as in Part II of the Local Government Act 2000.
- (3) ...*
- (4) ...*
- (5) For the purposes of subsection (1)(d) above--

(a) the ordinary date on which the period allowed for making an appeal or application with respect to the conviction expires, or

(b) if such an appeal or application is made, the date on which the appeal or application is finally disposed of or abandoned or fails by reason of its non-prosecution,

shall be deemed to be the date of the conviction.

- (6) This section shall apply in relation to being returned as a London member under section 11 above otherwise than at an election as it applies in relation to being elected.
- (7) References in this section to election shall accordingly be construed as if a London member so returned were elected at an election on the day on which they are to be treated as returned.

* Subsections (3) and (4) have been repealed.

Greater London Authority Act 1999

21A Disqualification relating to sexual offences etc

(1) A person is disqualified from being elected or being the Mayor or an Assembly member if the person is subject to—

- (a) any relevant notification requirements, or
- (b) a relevant order.
- (2) In this section "relevant notification requirements" means-
- (a) the notification requirements of Part 2 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003;
- (b) the notification requirements of Part 2 of the Sex Offenders (Jersey) Law 2010;

(c) the notification requirements of Part 2 of the Criminal Justice (Sex Offenders and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law 2013;

- (d) the notification requirements of Schedule 1 to the Criminal Justice Act 2001 (an Act of Tynwald: c. 4).
- (3) In this section "relevant order" means-
- (a) a sexual harm prevention order under section 345 of the Sentencing Code;
- (b) a sexual harm prevention order under section 103A of the Sexual Offences Act 2003;
- (c) a sexual offences prevention order under section 104 of that Act;
- (d) a sexual risk order under section 122A of that Act;
- (e) a risk of sexual harm order under section 123 of that Act;

(f) a risk of sexual harm order under section 2 of the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Act 2005;

- (g) a sexual risk order under section 27 of the Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Act 2016;
- (h) a restraining order under Article 10 of the Sex Offenders (Jersey) Law 2010;
- (i) a child protection order under Article 11 of that Law;

(j) a sexual offences prevention order under section 18 of the Criminal Justice (Sex Offenders and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law 2013;

- (k) a risk of sexual harm order under section 22 of that Law;
- (I) a sexual offences prevention order under section 1 of the Sex Offenders Act 2006 (an Act of Tynwald: c. 20);
- (m) a risk of sexual harm order under section 5 of that Act.

(4) For the purposes of subsection (1)(a), a person who is subject to any relevant notification requirements is not to be regarded as disqualified until—

(a) the expiry of the ordinary period allowed for making an appeal or application against the conviction, finding, caution, order or certification in respect of which the person is subject to the relevant notification requirements, or

(b) if such an appeal or application is made, the date on which it is finally disposed of or abandoned or fails because it is not prosecuted.

(5) For the purposes of subsection (1)(b), a person who is subject to a relevant order is not to be regarded as disqualified until—

(a) the expiry of the ordinary period allowed for making an appeal against the relevant order, or

(b) if such an appeal is made, the date on which it is finally disposed of or abandoned or fails because it is not prosecuted.

(6) This section applies in relation to being returned as a London member under section 11 otherwise than at an election as it applies in relation to being elected.

Section 34 of the Localism Act 2011

Offences

- (1) A person commits an offence if, without reasonable excuse, the person—
 - (a) fails to comply with an obligation imposed on the person by section 30(1) or 31(2), (3) or (7),
 - (b) participates in any discussion or vote in contravention of section 31(4), or
 - (c) takes any steps in contravention of section 31(8).
- (2) A person commits an offence if under section 30(1) or 31(2), (3) or (7) the person provides information that is false or misleading and the person—
 - (a) knows that the information is false or misleading, or
 - (b) is reckless as to whether the information is true and not misleading.
- (3) A person who is guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.
- (4) A court dealing with a person for an offence under this section may (in addition to any other power exercisable in the person's case) by order disqualify the person, for a period not exceeding five years, for being or becoming (by election or otherwise) a member or co-opted member of the relevant authority in question or any other relevant authority.
- (5) A prosecution for an offence under this section is not to be instituted except by or on behalf of the Director of Public Prosecutions.
- (6) Proceedings for an offence under this section may be brought within a period of 12 months beginning with the date on which evidence sufficient in the opinion of the prosecutor to warrant the proceedings came to the prosecutor's knowledge.
- (7) But no such proceedings may be brought more than three years—
 - (a) after the commission of the offence, or
 - (b) in the case of a continuous contravention, after the last date on which the offence was committed.
- (8) A certificate signed by the prosecutor and stating the date on which such evidence came to the prosecutor's knowledge is conclusive evidence of that fact; and a certificate to that effect and purporting to be so signed is to be treated as being so signed unless the contrary is proved.
- (9) The Local Government Act 1972 is amended as follows.
- (10) In section 86(1)(b) (authority to declare vacancy where member becomes disqualified otherwise than in certain cases) after "2000" insert "or section 34 of the Localism Act 2011".
- (11) In section 87(1)(ee) (date of casual vacancies)—
 - (a) after "2000" insert "or section 34 of the Localism Act 2011 or", and
 - (b) after "decision" insert "or order".
- (12) The Greater London Authority Act 1999 is amended as follows.
- (13) In each of sections 7(b) and 14(b) (Authority to declare vacancy where Assembly member or Mayor becomes disqualified otherwise than in certain cases) after sub-paragraph (i) insert—
 - "(ia) under section 34 of the Localism Act 2011,".
- (14) In section 9(1)(f) (date of casual vacancies)-
 - (a) before "or by virtue of" insert "or section 34 of the Localism Act 2011", and
 - (b) after "that Act" insert "of 1998 or that section".

[See also The Greater London Authority (Disqualification) Order 2000; SI 2000 No. 432]

30 Disqualification orders, Elections Act 2022

(1) This section applies where-

(a) a person ("the offender") is convicted of a Schedule 9 offence,

(b) the offender was aged 18 or over when the offence was committed, and

(c) the court is satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that the offence is aggravated by hostility related to persons falling within any of sections 32 to 34.

(2) The court must, when dealing with the offender for the offence, also make an order (a "disqualification order") that the offender is disqualified, for the period of 5 years beginning with the date on which the order is made—

(a) for being nominated for election to a relevant elective office, and

(b) for being elected to or holding a relevant elective office.

(3) Subsection (2) does not apply where the court considers that there are particular circumstances relating to the offence or to the offender which would make it unjust in all the circumstances to make the order; and in such a case the court must state in open court the reasons for not making the order.

(4) For the purposes of this section an offence is aggravated by hostility related to persons falling within any of sections 32 to 34 if—

(a) at the time of committing the offence, or immediately before or after doing so, the offender demonstrated towards the victim of the offence hostility based on the victim being (or being presumed to be) a person falling within any of sections 32 to 34, or

(b) the offence was motivated (wholly or partly) by hostility towards persons falling within any of those sections in their capacity as such.

(5) For the purposes of subsection (4) it is immaterial whether or not the offender's hostility is also based, to any extent, on any other factor not mentioned in that subsection.

(6) For the purpose of deciding whether to make a disqualification order the court may consider evidence led by the prosecution and the defence.

(7) It is immaterial whether evidence led in pursuance of subsection (6) would have been admissible in the proceedings in which the offender was convicted.

- (8) Where a Schedule 9 offence is found to have been committed-
- (a) over a period of 2 or more days, or
- (b) at some time during a period of 2 or more days,

it is to be taken for the purposes of subsection (1)(b) to have been committed on the last of those days.

(9) In this section—

"presumed" means presumed by the offender;

"Schedule 9 offence" means an offence listed in Schedule 9 (and any reference in that Schedule to an offence includes a reference to that offence committed by aiding, abetting, counselling or procuring the commission of that offence).

2 – Party candidates only	Office use only			
Certificate of authorisation	Date received	Time received	Initials	No.
Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly				
Name of Constituency:				
Date of the election:				

Note

This certificate must be issued by the Registered Nominating Officer of the party or by a person authorised to sign on their behalf. It authorises the candidate to use the name of the party or a specific description as registered with the Electoral Commission.

This authorised party name or description can then be included by the candidate on the nomination form; and will in turn appear on the ballot paper.

It further authorises the candidate to request to use a specified, registered party emblem (subject to the candidate completing the 'Request to use a registered party emblem' form) – should they wish to do so – such that it is included on the ballot paper and in their election address if they choose to have one.

Party declaration as to Candidate and use of party name or description						
I hereby certify that:						
Candidate's name						
is the official candidate of:						
Name of registered party						
in the election of a Constituency Member of the London Assembly and is authorised to use the following registered party name / description on their nomination paper:						
Registered party name / description						
Signature of Registered Nominating Officer (RNO) of the Party / a person authorised in writing by the party's RNO <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>						
Signature of the RNO or other authorised person	Da	ite				
Name of person signing						

3 – Party candidates only			Office u	use only
Request for a party emblem on the ballot paper Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly	Date received	Time received	Initials	No.
Name of Constituency:				
Date of the election:				

Note

This form is for a candidate of a political party who wishes to have a party emblem printed on the ballot paper next to the candidate's name.

A candidate cannot request to use a party emblem on the ballot paper unless they, in addition to this form, provides a certificate of authorisation issued by or on behalf of the Registered Nominating Officer of the party ('Certificate of authorisation – Political party' form).

Candidate and party details and declaration

I (name of candidate in full)

Name of Party

being a candidate in the election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly hereby request that the emblem described below, and as registered with the Electoral Commission, appears against my name on the ballot paper.

Candidate's signature

Date

Description of emblem

As listed on the Electoral Commission's online register of political parties and including the emblem ID

4 - Appointment of election agent			Office us	e only
Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly	Date received	Time received	Initials	No.
Name of Constituency				
Date of the election:				
Candidate and election agent details				

In accordance with	Section 67	of the Re	presentation	of the Peo	ple Act 1983.
		•			p.e,

I (candidate's name in full)

being a candidate in the election of a Constituency Member of the London Assembly, hereby declare that the name and address of my election agent is:

Agent's name (in full)

Home address (in full)

The office address of my election agent to which all claims, notices, writs, summons and documents may be sent is:

Agent's office address (in full)

Candidate's signature

Confirmation of acceptance by election agent

I confirm acceptance of my appointment as the election agent for the above-named candidate. I understand that I must carry out my duties in accordance with law and that there are penalties if I fail to do so.

Agent's signature

 The following requested information is not required by law and will not be published.

 Main contact number

 Alternative number

 Email address

Date

Date

5 - Appointment of sub-agent			Office	e use only
Election of Constituency Member of the London Assembly	Date received	Time received	Initials	No.
Name of Constituency				
Date of the election:				

The **election agent** may appoint one or more sub-agents to act within the Assembly Constituency area but each must have a separate area. Sub-agent areas **must not overlap.**

Candidate name:						
Details and extent of sub agent						
Name of sub-agent:						
Sub-agents address in full to w claims, notices, legal process a documents may be sent is:						
(this may be an office or home address or could be a local party office or other office especially set up for the election)						
Extent of appointment (describ council name):	e area, e.g.					
Election agent signature						
l declare	the above name	d person to be a su	ıb-agent			
Signature of election agent			Date			
Confirmatio	n of acceptan	ce by sub-agen	t (optio	onal)		
I understand that I must ca penaltie		according to law. I by duties according		and that there are		
I confirm my acceptance as sub-agent for the above named candidate						
Signature of sub-agent:			Date			
Agent's contact details						
The following requested information is not required by law and will not be published.						
Main contact number		Alternative numb	ber			
Email address						

Deliver this form to the CRO by the second working day before the poll.