



UK Parliamentary General Election 12 December 2019

The Nomination Process and other information

A Guidance Pack for Candidates.

Please note nomination papers can only be produced in English and not in any alternative languages or formats. Please phone 01803 207075 if you require further information.

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- Register request form
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- Secrecy requirements at elections section 66 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended) for postal voting, the poll and the count
- Electoral Commission Election Timetable
- List of Polling Stations

Nomination Guidance and Checklist (separate booklet)

The Nomination forms including:

- Nomination paper
- Home address form
- Candidate's Consent to nomination form
- Certificate of authorisation to allow a candidate to stand on behalf of a registered political party
- Request for political party emblem form
- Notice of appointment of an election agent form
- Notice of withdrawal form
- Notice of appointment of postal vote agents, polling agents and counting agents

Introduction

Thank you for taking an interest in standing in the Torbay constituency for the UK Parliamentary general election.

This candidate's pack is designed to help you and your agents through the nomination process and provide you with information on the election processes in the weeks leading up to, and the day of election.

The weeks prior to polling day are a very busy time for candidates and agents. It is imperative that you are aware, in advance, of the very strict legal rules you must follow when standing for elections. We recognise the complexities involved for those wishing to standing for election. The information contained in this pack, plus the support you will receive from the Electoral Team, will make the formal completion of the official nomination papers as easy as possible for you. In addition, this pack will also help you gain an understanding of the formal processes which will form a fundamental part of your campaign.

Whilst my colleagues and I will help you as much as possible, it is my duty as (Acting) Returning Officer to conduct the election in accordance with appropriate laws, rules and regulations. It is important that you are aware that it is our responsibility to comply with these at all times.

Please note that the guidance and information in this pack must not be regarded as legally definitive and you and your agents are advised to seek your own legal advice if you are in any doubt.

If you have any general queries regarding the election process and the Register of Electors please do not hesitate to contact the Elections Team on (01803) 207189. For any queries relating to the nomination process and of a more specific nature please contact my Deputy (Acting) Returning Officers, June Gurry, telephone (01803) 207012 or Catherine Hayden, telephone (01803) 207075.

I look forward to meeting you during the elections timetable.



Anne-Marie Bond
(Acting) Returning Officer for Torbay Council

1 How to use this guide

1.1 This guide provides you with local information about the UK Parliamentary election in Torbay and is to be used in conjunction with the Electoral Commission guidance (web link provided below).

1.2 The nomination forms, together with guidance and checklists on how to complete them, are enclosed with this pack. You will also find other useful information at the back of the pack (see contents for the full list).

1.3 The advice contained in this pack is intended to **guide** candidates and agents through the formal requirements during the election. It should not be relied on as legally definitive and the (Acting) Returning Officer cannot accept any responsibility for any errors or omissions, or any act arising from them. If candidates or agents have any doubts about a particular point they are strongly recommended to consult the appropriate legislation and seek their own legal advice.

1.4 Further guidance is available on the Electoral Commission's website at:

<http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/uk-parliamentary-general-election-great-britain>

2 What election is taking place?

2.1 The UK Parliament is elected at the UK general election. Electors will have one vote to choose a candidate to represent their constituency in the House of Commons.

2.2 After a general election, the leader of the party with the most MPs is asked by the Queen to become Prime Minister and to form a government that will run the country.

2.3 In Torbay the constituency boundary for Totnes crosses with our neighbouring authority South Hams District Council. Therefore, the Parliamentary election for the Totnes Constituency will be run by South Hams District Council and will affect the wards for Furzeham with Summercombe, St Peters with St Marys, Churston with Galmpton, Kings Ash and Collaton St Mary. Due to changes in the ward boundaries in 2018, a number of electors in the Goodrington with Roselands and Clifton with Maidenway ward will also now fall under the Totnes Constituency.

3 The Election Timetable

3.1 The election process is governed by a statutory timetable which starts with the Notice of Election and ends with the final deadline for submission of candidates' and election agents' expenses returns.

3.2 A copy of the election timetable is attached and it is important you make yourself aware of the times and dates it contains. Please note that deadlines in election timetables are governed by law and that these have to be strictly adhered to. If no particular time of day is specified in a timetable then the deadline is **midnight** on that date.

3.3 The last time for receipt of nomination papers for the elections is 4pm on Thursday 14 November 2019.

3.4 If, for any reason, you wish to withdraw from being a candidate you must provide and ensure it is appropriately received, by no later than 4pm on Thursday 14 November 2019, a Notice of Withdrawal of Candidature, signed by you, and attested by one witness, to The Election Team, First Floor, Town Hall, Castle Circus, Torquay, TQ1 3DR.

4 Standing for Election

4.1 In order to become a candidate at a UK Parliamentary election, a set of nomination papers must be submitted within the prescribed time period. In order to be eligible to stand for election, you must be qualified to stand and not be disqualified – see qualifications and disqualifications in section 5 below.

A person becomes a candidate either:

- on the last day for publication of the notice of election, if he/she has been declared by him/herself or by others to be a candidate at that election on or before that date;

or otherwise if after the last date for notice of election:

- on the date on which he/she declares or is declared by others to be a candidate or is nominated as a candidate at that election.

5 Qualifications and disqualifications

5.1 The information set out below is intended to provide you with a guide only and we are unable to advise you on your eligibility or disqualification to stand for election. If you have any queries about your eligibility or disqualification you should refer to the Electoral Commission's Guidance in the first instance. Guidance is available on the Electoral Commission's website at:

<http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/uk-parliamentary-general-election-great-britain>

Qualifications

5.2 To qualify as a candidate for the UK Parliamentary election you **must** satisfy the following criteria on the day you are nominated **and** on polling day. You must:

- be at least 18 years old; and
- be either a British citizen, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland or an eligible Commonwealth citizen; and
- not be disqualified from standing at the time of nomination and on the day of the election.

Disqualifications

5.3 Certain people are disqualified from being elected. **Your attention is drawn to the disqualifications for election and holding office as member of Parliament as set out under the Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended), the Representation of the People Act 1981 and the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (as amended)**

6 Deposit and method of payment

6.1 For your nomination to be valid, the sum of £500 must be deposited with the (Acting) Returning Officer by the deadline for nominations, 4pm on Thursday 14 November 2019.

6.2 The deposit can be made using:

- cash (British pounds only)
- a UK banker's draft made payable to 'Torbay Council'

6.3 For those candidates who poll more than 5% of the total valid votes cast in the constituency will have their deposit returned. Those candidates who have polled less than, or equal to, 5% of the total valid votes cast will lose their deposit.

7 The Nomination Process and delivery of nomination papers

7.1 Your attention is drawn to the rules for completing the nomination papers and other provisions relating to nominations, which are contained in the Parliamentary Elections Rules in Schedule 1 to the Representation of the People Act 1983.

7.2 Accompanying the nomination papers is guidance and a checklist. We recommend you use this when completing your forms.

7.3 To become nominated you will need to complete the following forms:

- nomination form
- home address form
- consent to nomination form

7.4 If you are standing on behalf of a registered political party, you will also need:

- a certificate of authorisation, authorising the use of the party name or a registered description on the ballot paper
- a written request to use one of the party's emblems

7.5 Two sets of nomination papers have been provided in your pack in case you or your agent make an error when completing them.

Delivery of Nomination Papers

7.6 You must make an appointment with the Election Team to arrange for the forms to be informally checked and accepted by the Deputy (Acting) Returning Officers on 01803 207075. It is advisable to submit your nomination papers as early as possible so that there is time to submit a fresh one if the first has a mistake and is invalid.

7.7 The earliest date for delivery is from 10.00 am on Monday 11 November 2019 and no later than 4.00 pm on Thursday 14 November 2019.

7.8 Nomination papers may only be submitted between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm.

7.9 Your nomination papers must be delivered to the Election Team, First Floor, Town Hall, Castle Circus, Torquay, TQ1 3DR.

7.10 Only the original completed papers will be accepted. Facsimile transmission and photocopied papers can **not** be accepted.

7.11 Once the nomination has been formally delivered, the (Acting) Returning Officer will confirm receipt in writing to the candidate as soon as practicable.

7.12 The Statement of Persons Nominated will be published by 5.00pm on Thursday 14 November 2019.

8 Uncontested elections

8.1 If, after the close of nominations and the time allowed for withdrawals, the total number of validly nominated candidates in the constituency is equal to the number of seats to be filled at the election, those candidates are declared to be elected.

8.2 As soon as possible after the latest time for delivery of withdrawals of nominations (4.00pm on Thursday 14 November 2019) the (Acting) Returning Officer will publish the Statement of Persons Nominated declaring the one validly nominated candidate as elected.

8.3 It is important to note that if declared to be elected in an uncontested election, you must still make a declaration and return as election expenses, even if none have been incurred.

9 Election and other agents

Election agent

9.1 The election agent is the person responsible for the proper management of your election campaign and, in particular, for its financial management. You must have an election agent. If you do not appoint an agent, you will become your own agent by default.

9.2 Once appointed, only the election agent can make payments for election expenses.

9.3 You must give the (Acting) Returning Officer notice of the appointment of your election agent in writing by 4.00pm on Thursday 14 November 2019. The form for completion is included with the forms attached.

Other agents

9.4 You can also appoint other agents to observe the following electoral processes, which both you and your election agent are also entitled to observe without the need of official appointment.

- The opening of postal votes
- The poll
- The count

Appointment of postal vote agents

9.5 We will inform you of the maximum number of postal vote agents you may appoint. This will depend on the number of candidates standing for election.

9.6 Each candidate will be allowed to appoint the same number of agents.

9.7 You must make the appointment, in writing, to the (Acting) Returning Officer. A form for this can be found with the forms attached. The form must be submitted to the (Acting) Returning Officer before the start of the particular session the agent wishes to attend.

9.8 Details of postal vote opening sessions can be found below in section 14.

Appointment of polling agents

9.9 There is no limit on the number of polling agents you can appoint, but only one polling agent for each candidate can be present in a polling station at any time.

9.10 A polling agent can be appointed to attend multiple polling stations.

9.11 The appointment must be made in writing to the (Acting) Returning Officer by Thursday 5 December 2019. The appointment form is included with the forms attached.

Appointment of counting agents

9.12 The main role of a Counting Agent is to oversee the counting process on behalf of the candidate and see that it is undertaken in an accurate and correct manner. Agents are entitled to be present during the count and when the (Acting) Returning Officer is adjudicating on doubtful ballot papers. However, they do not participate in the counting process.

9.13 The formula used to calculate the number of counting agents allowed per candidate is: the number of candidates divided by the number of counters. As we do not know the number of candidates yet, we will write to you after the 14 November 2019 with the number of counting agents permitted.

9.14 The appointment must be made in writing to the (Acting) Returning Officer by Thursday 5 December 2019. The appointment form is included with the forms attached.

10 Campaigning dos and don'ts

10.1 The Electoral Commission provide clear guidance on campaigning dos and don'ts within their guidance and we strongly recommendation that you make yourself aware of these – they can be found on the Electoral Commission Guidance website as follows:

http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0013/173020/UKPGE-Part-4-The-campaign.pdf

11 The Importance of Secrecy Regulations

11.1 Section 66 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 sets out the secrecy requirements at elections. The secrecy requirements at elections are attached. People who work on behalf of you as a candidate at election time and those who accompany or represent you at the polling station or count need to be aware of the requirements for secrecy as it includes:

‘Any person who is found guilty of breaching the requirements set out in Section 66 may face a fine of up to £5,000 or may be imprisoned for up to six months.’

12 Register of Electors and absent voters’ lists

12.1 Once nominated you will be supplied with one copy of the register for the appropriate constituency on request.

12.2 You must request if you want to receive a data or paper copy (only one will be supplied).

12.3 You are only entitled to receive a copy of the register if you are an official candidate at the election.

12.4 If you require more copies your request must be made in writing to Election Office, Governance Support, First Floor, Town Hall, Torquay, TQ1 3DR. These are not pre-printed and available on demand, therefore they will be printed following receipt of your written request.

12.5 You are given a full copy of the register, and you must be mindful that the content of the register should be used **only** for electoral purposes.

12.6 If you wish to be supplied with a copy of the register please complete and return the form attached. You will be supplied with a copy of the register only when you become an official candidate for the election.

12.7 If you need to use a register in order for you to be able to complete your nomination paper a full copy of the register will be available to view at the Election Office, Governance Support, First Floor, Town Hall, Torquay, TQ1 3DR. Please make an appointment if you wish to view the register.

13 Election spending

13.1 The following expenses forms will be sent to you when the nomination paper has been given a Certificate of Validation:

- Combined Expenses form, including Return of Election Expenses;
- Declaration by Candidate as to Expenses; and
- Declaration by Election Agent as to Expenses.

13.2 All questions concerning expenses should be directed to the Electoral Commission, and their website contains more guidance for candidates on this subject.

Calculating spending limits and electorate figures

13.3 Your attention is drawn to the Electoral Commission guidance on spending http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0019/214516/UKPGE-Part-3-Spending-and-donations.pdf

13.4 Please contact the election office for the number of registered electors for the Torbay constituency.

Spending returns and declarations

13.5 Your election expenses must be submitted to the Returning Officer of Torbay Council by 17 January 2019.

14 Postal Voting

14.1 There are currently approximately 12,500 electors in the Torbay parliamentary constituency who vote by post. Please note this figure will increase in the run-up to the elections.

14.2 All postal voters are required to provide personal identifiers namely their signature and date of birth on the postal voting statement accompanying their postal ballot paper.

14.3 The postal vote packs will be issued on Thursday 28 November 2019 and will be posted via first class post.

Postal vote opening

14.4 The postal votes are opened in advance of polling day although the ballot papers are kept face down and not counted at this stage (this is done at the count).

14.5 You and your agents are entitled to attend these opening sessions.

14.6 The dates of birth and signatures supplied on the elector's postal vote statement will be verified against the identifiers provided on the elector's original postal vote application form.

14.7 It is important to note that postal votes where the date of birth and signature given on the postal vote statement do not match the elector's original postal vote application form held by the Election's Team, will be rejected at the opening session.

Offences relating to absent voting

14.8 Offences relating to absent voting were introduced in the Electoral Administration Act 2006. A person commits an offence if they:

- Engage in an act specified below, and

- Intend, by doing so, to deprive another of an opportunity to vote or to gain for themselves or another a vote to which they or the other is not otherwise entitled.

14.9 These offences are:

- Applying for a postal vote or proxy vote as some other person (whether that other person is living or dead or is a fictitious person)
- Otherwise making a false statement in, or in connection with, an application for a postal or proxy vote
- Inducing the registration officer or returning officer to send a postal ballot paper or a communication relating to a postal or proxy vote to an address that has not been agreed by the person entitled to the vote
- Causing a communication relating to a postal or proxy vote containing a postal ballot paper not to be delivered to the intended recipient.

14.10 A person who commits an offence under the Electoral Administration Act 2006 or who aids, abets, counsels or procures the commission of such an offence is guilty of a corrupt practice.

14.11 If you or your agents wish to attend postal vote opening sessions you will be asked to sign a secrecy agreement. We request that mobile phones are kept on silent and away from the proceedings in your bag or pocket. The use of mobile phones is strictly prohibited and will be monitored throughout the sessions.

14.12 The Electoral Commission's code of conduct includes more information on absent voting. The Code of Conduct can be viewed at https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/sites/default/files/pdf_file/Code-of-conduct-for-campaigners-2015.pdf

Postal vote application forms

14.13 It should be noted that the legislation governing applications for postal and proxy votes has changed significantly and candidates and agents should contact the Electoral Services Office if you wish to distribute application forms to electors.

14.14 Locally designed forms need to be tested with electoral services software to prevent a situation where votes may be rejected at the opening stage if signatures and dates of birth have not been provided in a suitably formatted form.

14.15 I would like to draw your attention to the secrecy regulations enclosed with this pack and ask that you read them carefully.

Postal vote opening sessions

14.16 We will commence daily postal vote opening sessions from Monday 2 December (please note that the first session will be run as a test session).

14.17 The opening of the postal votes will take place at the Town Hall, Torquay daily from 9.30am (please note that there will not be an opening session on Tuesday 10 December).

14.18 If you or another person entitled to be present are planning to attend, you must inform us in writing prior to attendance.

14.19 We will not be opening postal votes on days where there have been low rates of return. Therefore, please contact the Elections Team on the day to check we are opening postal votes on the days that you would like to attend.

15 Polling Day Information

15.1 Polling day is Thursday 12 December 2019. The hours of poll are 7.00 am until 10.00 pm.

Polling Stations

15.2 The (Acting) Returning Officer is responsible for the provision of polling stations at an election. Polling stations must remain impartial. To ensure this the following must be followed:

- It is possible that candidates, their agents or helpers may be associated with the management of a polling station. In these instances it is important that any supporters who may have such a connection maintain strict impartiality whilst undertaking any duties in connection with that building on polling day.
- Any building being used as a polling station must not display any party political information.
- The Presiding Officer, appointed by the (Acting) Returning Officer, is responsible for the conduct and operation of the polling station and may request the removal of any item which it is felt compromises the impartiality of the polling station. Similarly, the Presiding Officer can request the removal of any person from a polling station if it is felt that they are/could compromise the impartiality of the election.

15.3 A full list of the polling stations will is supplied within this pack.

Tellers

15.4 It is a well-established practice for candidates or their agents to appoint 'tellers', who are outside polling stations to record the names of electors who have voted, usually by asking for their poll card or elector number. This is to assist party workers in identifying potential supporters who have yet to vote.

15.5 Unfortunately, we encountered a number of problems with tellers in the past on General Election polling days. In particular, the obstruction of voters entering the polling station and in some cases, aggressive behaviour from the tellers which resulted in involving the police.

15.6 It is important to remember that the (Acting) Returning Officer is in charge of the conduct of the election, and so if feels that the poll is being adversely affected by the activities of tellers, will request that tellers either comply with agreed behaviour or

leave the polling place. The Presiding Officer may do this on behalf of the (Acting) Returning Officer.

16 The Verification and Count

16.1 The verification and counting of the ballot papers for the election will take place on Thursday 12 December 2019 in the Assembly Hall (Lymington Road entrance), Town Hall, Torquay, TQ1 3DR from 10pm.

16.2 You, as the candidate, your election agent and your appointed counting agents are entitled to attend the verification and counting of the votes on the Thursday night.

Guests to be present at verification and count

16.3 Each candidate will be able to invite a number of guests to the verification and counting of ballot papers. We will confirm the number of guests you may invite in due course.

17 Challenges to the election results

17.1 An election can only be challenged by an election petition and any person wishing to do so should take legal advice. The petition must be presented to the High Court within 21 days after the date on which the election was held. If presented on the grounds of a corrupt or illegal practice after the election, or of a complaint relating to election expenses, it may, in certain cases, be presented at a later date.

18 Feedback

18.1 In order to further develop the information the Election Team provide to prospective candidates we would appreciate any comments or recommendations you may have to assist us in improving our approach.

Please send your comments to the address below.

Election Team
Governance Support
Town Hall
Castle Circus
Torquay
TQ1 3DR
Tel: 01803 207025
Fax: 01803 207112
Email: electoral.registration@torbay.gov.uk

The Representation of the People Legislation

Request for a Copy of the Register of Electors (Please Tick Your Requirements)

Name/Organisation	
Address	
I wish to receive a copy of the current register of electors for either:	
Torbay; or	
Ward (please state for which)	
In either (please tick)	
Printed format; or	
Data format	
If data, state email address	

I understand that I may only use the information for research or electoral purposes, and any purposes compatible with the restrictions applicable to the use of the full register of electors by me.

Signed	
Print name	
Position/entitlement to receive register	
Date	

The Representation of the People Legislation

Request for a Copy of the Postal Voters' List (Please Tick Your Requirements)

Name/Organisation	
Address	
I wish to receive a copy of the current postal voters' list for either:	
Torbay; or	
Ward (please state for which)	
In either (please tick)	
Printed format; or	
Data format	
If data, state email address	

I understand that I may only use the information for research or electoral purposes, and any purposes compatible with the restrictions applicable to the use of the postal voters' list by me.

Signed	
Print name	
Position/entitlement to receive register	
Date	

Notification of secrecy requirements – postal voting

Section 66 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended)

(4) Every person attending the proceedings in connection with the issue or the receipt of ballot papers for persons voting by post shall maintain and aid in maintaining the secrecy of the voting and shall not –

(a) except for some purpose authorised by law, communicate, before the poll is closed, to any person any information obtained at those proceedings as to the official mark; or

(b) except for some purpose authorised by law, communicate to any person at any time any information obtained at those proceedings as to the number or other unique identifying mark on the back of the ballot paper sent to any person; or

(c) except for some purpose authorised by law, attempt to ascertain at the proceedings in connection with the receipt of ballot papers the number or other unique identifying mark on the back of any ballot paper; or

(d) attempt to ascertain at the proceedings in connection with the receipt of the ballot papers the candidate for whom any vote is given in any particular ballot paper or communicate any information with respect thereto obtain at those proceedings.

[...]

(6) If a person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

Notification of secrecy requirements – the poll

Section 66 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended)

(1) The following persons –

- (a) every returning officer and every presiding officer or clerk attending at a polling station,
- (b) every candidate or election agent or polling agent so attending
- (c) every person so attending by virtue of any of sections 6A to 6D of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000

shall maintain and aid in maintaining the secrecy of voting and shall not, except for some purpose authorised by law, communicate to any person before the poll is closed any information as to –

- (i) the name of any elector or proxy for an elector who has or has not applied for a ballot paper or voted at a polling station;
- (ii) the number on the register of electors of any elector who, or whose proxy, has or has not applied for a ballot paper or voted at a polling station; or
- (iii) the official mark.

[...]

(3) No person shall –

- (a) interfere with or attempt to interfere with a voter when recording his vote;
- (b) otherwise obtain or attempt to obtain in a polling station information as to the candidate for whom a voter in that station is about to vote or has voted;
- (c) communicate at any time to any person any information obtained in a polling station as to the candidate for whom a voter in that station is about to vote or has voted, or as to the number or other unique identifying mark on the back of the ballot paper given to a voter at that station;
- (d) directly or indirectly induce a voter to display his ballot paper after he has marked it so as to make known to any person the name of the candidate for whom he has or has not voted.

[...]

(5) No person having undertaken to assist a blind voter to vote shall communicate at any time to any person any information as to the candidate for whom that voter intends to vote or has voted, or as to the number or other unique identifying mark on the back of the ballot paper given for the use of that voter.

(6) If a person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

Notification of secrecy requirements – the count

Section 66 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended)

[...]

(2) Every person attending at the counting of the votes shall maintain and aid in maintaining the secrecy of voting and shall not –

(a) ascertain or attempt to ascertain at the counting of the votes the number or other unique identifying mark on the back of any ballot paper;

(b) communicate any information obtained at the counting of the votes as to the candidate for whom any vote is given on any particular ballot paper.

[...]

(6) If a person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

Timetable for a UK Parliamentary general election

The days which are disregarded in calculating the timetable for a UK Parliamentary election are Saturday, Sunday, bank holidays and any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

Please be aware that the timetable may change in the event of days being appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

This timetable is based on the assumption that the writ is received on the day following the dissolution of Parliament. If in a particular constituency the writ is received on a different date:

- The notice of election in that particular constituency must be published no later than 4pm on the second day following the receipt of the writ.
- The period for delivery of nomination papers will begin from the day after the publication of notice of election. The deadline for nominations will remain the same (i.e. 4pm on 19 working days before the poll).

Event	Date
Dissolution of Parliament	6 November 2019
Receipt of writ	7 November 2019
Publication of notice of election	Not later than 11 November 2019 (4pm)
Delivery of nomination papers	From 11 November until 14 November 2019 (4pm) between 10am and 4pm
Deadline for delivery of nomination papers	14 November 2019 (4pm)
Deadline for withdrawals of nomination	14 November 2019 (4pm)

Event	Date
<p>Making objections to nomination papers</p> <p>(except for objections on the grounds that an individual candidate may be disqualified under the Representation of the People Act 1981 – see Commission guidance)</p>	<p>14 November 2019 (10am – 5pm)</p> <p>Between 10 am 12 noon: objections can be made to all delivered nominations</p> <p>Between 12 noon and 5pm: objections can only be made to nominations delivered after 4pm on 13 November 2019</p>
<p>Deadline for the notification of appointment of election agents</p>	<p>14 November 2019 (4pm)</p>
<p>Publication of statement of persons nominated, including notice of poll and situation of polling stations</p>	<p>14 November 2019 (5pm)</p> <p>If objection(s) are made: not before objection(s) are disposed of but not later than 15 November (4pm)</p>
<p>Publication of first interim election notice of alteration</p>	<p>14 November 2019</p>
<p>Deadline for receiving applications for registration</p>	<p>26 November 2019</p>
<p>Deadline for receiving new postal vote and postal proxy applications, and for changes to existing postal or proxy votes</p>	<p>26 November 2019 (5pm)</p>
<p>Deadline for receiving new applications to vote by proxy (not postal proxy or emergency proxies)</p>	<p>4 December 2019 (5pm)</p>
<p>Publication of second interim election notice of alteration</p>	<p>15 November – 4 December 2019</p>
<p>Publication of final election notice of alteration</p>	<p>5 December 2019</p>
<p>Deadline for notification of appointment of polling and counting agents</p>	<p>5 December 2019</p>
<p>First date that electors can apply for a replacement for lost postal votes</p>	<p>6 December 2019</p>
<p>Deadline for notification of appointment of sub agents</p>	<p>10 December 2019</p>

Event	Date
Polling day	12 December 2019
Last time that electors can apply for re-issue of spoilt or lost postal votes	12 December 2019 (5pm)
Deadline for emergency proxy applications	12 December 2019 (5pm)
Last time to alter the register due to clerical error or court appeal	12 December 2019 (9pm)
After the declaration of result	
Delivery of return as to election expenses	17 January 2020 (assuming result is declared on 13 December)
Deadline for sending postal vote identifier rejection notices	11 March 2020

List of Polling Stations – Torbay Constituency

Reference	District(s)	Polling Place
1	AA	Mobile Station at DFS Car Park, Willows Retail Park, Nicholson Road, TQ2 7TD
2	AB	Rear of St Martins Church, Barton Hill Road, TQ2 8JA
3	AC	Yellow Frog Cafe, Coombe Pafford School, Steps Lane, TQ2 8NL
4	AD	Acorn Community Centre, Lummaton Cross, TQ2 8ET
5	AE	Acorn Community Centre, Lummaton Cross, TQ2 8ET
6	AF	Hele Road Baptist Church, Hele Road, Torquay, TQ2 7PP
7	BD, HC	St Georges Hall, Barn Road, TQ4 6NG
8	CA	Catholic Church Rooms Sacred Heart Church, Cecil Road, TQ3 2SH
9	CB	The Old Monastery, Berry Drive, TQ3 3RD
10	CC, IB	Catholic Church Rooms Sacred Heart Church, Cecil Road, TQ3 2SH
11	CD	Cross Link Hall (formerly Baptist Youth Hall), Winner Street, TQ3 3LN
12	DA	Mobile station at Purbeck Avenue, Purbeck Avenue, TQ2 6UL
13	DB	St Matthews Church, top of Walnut Road, TQ2 6JA
14	DC	St Peters Church Hall, Queensway, Torquay, TQ2 6BP
15	DD	St Peters Church Hall, Queensway, Torquay, TQ2 6BP
16	FA	Hall at Salvation Army, Castle Lane Entrance, TQ1 3AF
17	FB	Hall at Salvation Army, Castle Lane Entrance, TQ1 3AF
18	FC	Boots and Laces Sports Bar, Torquay United Football Ground, Marnham Road, TQ1 3QW
19	HA	Time Out Coffee Shop, 6 Sturcombe Avenue, TQ4 7EB
20	HE	Hall at Entrance Clennon Rise, Romaleyn Gardens, Entrance Clennon Rise, TQ4 5HN
21	HF	Torbay Leisure Centre, Penwill Way, TQ4 5JR
22	JA	Mobile Station at Preston Down Road, Shopping Parade, TQ3 1DS
23	JB	St Pauls Church - Francis Norrish Room, Torquay Road, TQ3 2DH
24	JC	Mobile Station at Albany Road/Lacy Road, Albany Road/Lacy Road, TQ3 1BU
25	JD	Paignton SNU Spiritualist Church Hall, Manor Corner, Torquay Road, TQ3 1JB
26	KA	Christ Church Hall, Torquay Road, TQ3 2AA
27	KB	Paignton Club, The Garden Room, Esplanade Road, TQ4 6ED
28	KC	Paignton Club, The Garden Room, Esplanade Road, TQ4 6ED
29	KD	Cross Link Hall (formerly Baptist Youth Hall), Winner Street, TQ3 3LN
30	LA	Sherwell Valley Primary School, Hawkins Avenue, TQ2 6ES
31	LB	St Andrews Church Hall, Exe Hill, TQ2 7NF
32	LC	St Andrews Church Hall, Exe Hill, TQ2 7NF
33	MA	Brunel Court Building, Brunel Manor Christian Centre, Teignmouth Road, TQ1 4SF
34	MB	The Precinct Social Centre, Church Road, TQ1 4QY
35	MC	Boots and Laces Sports Bar, Torquay United Football Ground, Marnham Road, TQ1 3QW
36	MD	Plainmoor Swimming Pool, Plainmoor, TQ1 3QP
37	ME	Furrough Cross Church Hall, Babbacombe Road, TQ1 3SE

38	MF	St Annes Hall, Babbacombe Road, TQ1 3UH
39	PA	Central Church Hall, Central Church, Tor Hill Road, TQ2 5RS
40	PB	Central Church Hall, Central Church, Tor Hill Road, TQ2 5RS
41	PC	Essential 6, Unit 1 Marble Court Business Park, Lymington Road, TQ1 4FB
42	PD	Torre C of E Academy, Barton Road, TQ1 4DN
43	PE	Windmill Community Centre, Pendennis Road, TQ2 7QR
44	PF	Torquay Harbour Office, (Beacon Quay car park entrance), Beacon Hill, TQ1 2BG
45	RA	Babbacombe Scout Hut, Walls Hill Quarry, Next door to the Range, TQ1 3TA
46	RB	Babbacombe Scout Hut, Walls Hill Quarry, Next door to the Range, TQ1 3TA
47	RC	Riviera Life Church, 527 Babbacombe Road, TQ1 1HG
48	RD	Riviera Life Church, 527 Babbacombe Road, TQ1 1HG