

West Sussex County Council Elections EXTERNAL TIMETABLE

Publication of notice of election	Monday 30 March 2026
First poll card despatch (<i>includes anyone who was registered to vote as at 18/03/2026</i>)	Monday 30 March 2026
Candidate nominations open	Tuesday 31 March 2026
Candidate nominations deadline	4:00 pm, Thursday 9 April 2026
Deadline for withdrawals of candidates	4:00 pm, Thursday 9 April 2026
Deadline for appointment of election agents	4:00 pm, Thursday 9 April 2026
Publication of notice of election agents	4:00 pm, Thursday 9 April 2026
Notice of alteration 1	Thursday 9 April 2026
Publication of statements of persons nominated	4:00pm, Friday 10 April 2026
First postal vote despatch (<i>includes anyone registered as a postal or postal proxy voter as at 01/04/2026</i>)	Thursday 16 April 2026
Registration deadline	11:59pm, Monday 20 April 2026
Deadline for receiving: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New postal vote applications • New postal proxy applications 	5:00pm Tuesday 21 April 2026
Deadline for changes to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing postal vote arrangements • Existing postal proxy arrangements • Existing proxy arrangements 	5:00pm Tuesday 21 April 2026
Notice of alteration 2	Thursday 21 April 2026
Late postal vote despatch (<i>includes anyone who was registered as a postal or proxy voter after the 01/04/2026 and before the deadline</i>)	Monday 27 April 2026
Publication of notice of poll and situation of polling stations	Tuesday 28 April 2026
Deadline for voter authority certificates applications	5:00pm, Tuesday 28 April 2026
Deadline for new proxy vote applications	5:00pm, Tuesday 28 April 2026
Late poll card despatch (<i>includes anyone who registered after the 18/03/2026 and before the deadline</i>)	Wednesday 20 April 2026

Final notice of alteration	Wednesday 29 April 2026
Notification deadline for the appointment of polling and count agents	Wednesday 29 April 2026
First day to issue a replacement for lost or spoilt postal votes	Thursday 30 April 2026
Polling day	7am to 10pm on Thursday 7 May 2026
Last time to issue replacement for lost or spoilt postal votes	5:00 pm, Thursday 7 May 2026
Deadline for emergency proxy vote applications	5:00 pm, Thursday 7 May 2026
Verification and count	Friday 8 May 2026
Deadline for candidate spending returns	Friday 12 June 2026

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Poll

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Verification & Count

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