

City of Westminster
Representation of the People Act 1983
**Sections 18A, 18B, 18C, 18D and 18E and Schedule A1 (as amended
by section 17 of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013)**
**The Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places (Parliamentary Elections)
Regulations 2006**

In accordance with the requirements of Section 18C of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended), notice is hereby given that the City of Westminster is undertaking a review of polling districts and polling places for use in connection with parliamentary elections held within the Westminster part of the Cities of London and Westminster constituency and the Westminster North constituency.

The consultation part of the review will commence on 7 February 2020. For the purpose of this review the Returning Officer has submitted electorate numbers as at the general election on 12 December 2019 together with review observations received from Polling Station Inspectors and Senior Presiding Officers who were appointed to positions at that election and who were required to review polling place provision in place on 12 December. It is to be noted that this review is being undertaken in order to meet legislative requirements in respect of the timescales set for such parliamentary election reviews and the review is therefore designed to identify any polling place issues that arose at the general election. A comprehensive review of polling districts and polling places will need to be undertaken at some stage after the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) has completed its electoral review of the City of Westminster. The LGBCE will publish its final recommendations on 5 May 2020. The timing of that local government review of polling districts and polling places is a matter for the City of Westminster to decide upon. In terms of parliamentary constituencies the Boundary Commission for England presented its final report of its recommendations to the Government on 5 September 2018 and a Government decision on that final report is awaited. It is intended that this review will therefore identify which polling places should or should not be proposed as designated polling places when a comprehensive review of polling districts and polling places is undertaken by the City of Westminster.

Representations will be sought from any person or body with expertise in access to premises or facilities for persons who have different forms of disability.

Any registered elector within the parliamentary constituencies may make representation on the location and suitability of their polling place and, where appropriate, include alternative venue suggestions.

This may be done in writing to

Electoral Services, 14th floor Westminster City Hall, 64 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6QP, or by email to:

electoralservices@westminster.gov.uk.

Anyone unable to make representation using any of the above means should telephone Electoral Services on 020 7641 2730 for assistance.

The deadline for receipt of representations is 7 March 2020 and any representations received will be available for public inspection.

Details of existing polling districts and polling places are available at the Electoral Services office at the above address between 9am and 5pm on any working day.

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