**Tewkesbury Borough Council**

**Press release**

  13 November 2019

**UK Parliamentary general election - Thursday 12 December**

**What you need to do, and when!**

 A notice for a UK Parliamentary election to be held on Thursday, 12 December has been published, which marks the beginning of the formal process for a general election.

**Nominations**

Anyone wishing to stand as a candidate in the election must submit nomination papers to the elections team at Tewkesbury Borough Council’s Public Services Centre, Gloucester Road, Tewkesbury, between 9am and 5pm from Monday, 11 November to Wednesday, 13 November and between 9am and 4pm on Thursday, 14 November 2019. Completed papers must be submitted by hand. The deadline of 4pm on Thursday, 14 November is statutory and cannot be changed.

 A nomination paper pack can be downloaded at <https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/general-election-2019>, or you can call 01684 272025 or email elections@tewkesbury.gov.uk to request a pack.

**Register to vote**

 Register by 11.59pm on Tuesday 26 November to vote in the general election on Thursday 12 December.

You can register here: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>

**Poll cards**

Poll cards will be posted out from Tuesday 12 November to residents who are on the electoral register. If you are registered to vote, you can expect your poll card to be delivered to you shortly. Make sure you get in touch with our elections team if you haven’t received it, or if the details on it have changed.

**Postal votes**

If you want to vote by post, the deadline for new applications – or to make any changes to your existing postal vote details - is 5pm on Tuesday, 26 November.

You can apply for a postal vote here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apply-for-a-postal-vote>

**Proxy votes**

Voting by proxy is an arrangement where you ask someone you trust to vote on your behalf. If you want to apply to vote by proxy, the deadline is 5pm on Wednesday, 4 December.

You can apply for a proxy vote here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/proxy-voting-application-forms>

**Contact details**

         [tewkesbury.gov.uk/general-election-2019](https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/general-election-2019)

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