

1a	Nomination paper	Office use only		
Local government election in England		Date	Time	Number
<p align="center">ELECTION OF A COUNCILLOR for the Mendip Ward of the district of Bath and North East Somerset</p>				
Date of election	Thursday 3 July 2025			

Candidate's Details		
Candidate's surname		Mr/Mrs/Miss Ms/Dr/Other
Other forenames in full		
Commonly used surname (if any)		
Commonly used forenames (if any)		
Description (if any) Use no more than six words (see note 5)		

We, the undersigned, being local government electors for the said ward, do hereby assent to the foregoing nomination.				
	Signature	Print name	Electoral number	
			Polling district	Elector number
Proposer				
Seconder				

Notes

1. The attention of candidates and electors is drawn to the rules for completing nomination papers and other provisions relating to nomination papers contained in the election rules in the Local Elections (Principal Areas) (England and Wales) Rules 2006 (as amended).
2. Where a candidate is commonly known by some title they may be described by their title as if it were their surname.
3. Where a candidate commonly uses a name or names –
 - (a) that are different from the candidate's full names as stated on the nomination paper, or
 - (b) in a different way from the candidate's full names as 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 or names (instead of any other name) will appear on the ballot paper.
4. But the ballot paper will show the other name if the Returning Officer thinks that the use of the commonly used name may:
 - (a) be likely to mislead or confuse electors, or
 - (b) that the commonly used name is obscene or offensive.
5. The description, if any, can only be:
 - (a) one certified as an authorised or registered description as mentioned in Rule 5 of the election rules, or
 - (b) the word 'Independent'.
6. An elector may not:
 - (a) subscribe more nomination papers than there are vacancies to be filled in the electoral area in which the election is held, or
 - (b) subscribe a nomination paper for more than one electoral area in the same district.
7. In this form 'elector':
 - (a) means a person whose name is registered in the register of local government electors for the electoral area in question on the last day for the publication of the notice of election, and
 - (b) includes a person then shown in the register as below voting age if (but only if) it appears from the register that he will be of voting age on the day fixed for the poll.
8. However, a person who has an anonymous entry in the register of local government electors cannot nominate a candidate for election.

1b	Home address form	Office use only		
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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 qualifying addresses, in full to each of the relevant qualifications below (you can complete more than one qualification).			
Qualifications that apply (tick those that apply)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Address
(a)	I am registered as a local government elector for the area of the district named above.		
(b)	I have during the whole of the preceding 12 months occupied as owner or tenant land or other premises in the area named above.		
(c)	My principal or only place of work during the preceding 12 months has been in the district named above.		
(d)	I have during the whole of the preceding 12 months resided in the district above.		
Witness details			
Full name of the person who will witness the 'Candidate's consent to nomination' form.			
Home address in full of the person who will witness the 'Candidate's consent to nomination' form.			

Part 2 – To be completed only if you do not wish your home address 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 paper.

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

The relevant area¹ my home address is situated in:

(insert name of relevant area)

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

¹ The name of the “**relevant area**” in which your home address is situated if your home address is in the UK:

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

Note: the relevant area should be given in the format described above and is not the ward or parish, nor should the local authority name be given in full.

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You must declare that you meet at least one of the listed qualifications below and may declare more than one qualification if applicable. 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.

I (full name of candidate)	
<p>hereby consent to my nomination as a candidate for election as councillor for the Mendip Ward of the district of Bath and North East Somerset.</p> <p>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, a qualifying EU citizen, or an EU citizen with retained rights, who has attained the age of 18 years and that:</p>	
(a)	I am registered as a local government elector for the area of the district named above; or
(b)	I have during the whole of the 12 months preceding that day, or those days, occupied as owner or tenant land or other premises in the area named above; or
(c)	my principal or only place of work during those 12 months has been in the district named above; or
(d)	I have during the whole of those 12 months resided in the district named above.
<p>I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief I am not disqualified for being elected by reason of any disqualification set out in, or decision made under, sections 80 or 81A of the Local Government Act 1972 or section 34 of the Localism Act 2011, or section 30 of the Elections Act 2022 (copies of which are printed overleaf), and I do not hold a politically restricted post, within the meaning of Part 1 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, under a local authority, within the meaning of that Part.</p> <p>Note 1: A candidate who is qualified by more than one qualification may complete any of those which may apply.</p> <p>Note 2: Disqualifications set out under section 81A of the Local Government Act 1972 only apply to a person who is subject to any relevant notification requirements, or a relevant order, made on or after 28 June 2022.</p>	
Date of birth	
Candidate's signature	
Date of consent	

I (full name of witness)	
confirm the above mentioned candidate signed the declaration in my presence.	
Witness's signature	

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Local Government Act 1972

80. Disqualification for election and holding office as member of local authority

- (1) Subject to the provisions of section 81 below, a person shall be disqualified for being elected or being a member of a local authority if he –
- holds any paid office or employment (other than the office of chairman, vice-chairman, deputy chairman, presiding member or deputy presiding member or, in the case of a local authority which are operating executive arrangements which involve a leader and cabinet executive, the office of executive leader or member of the executive) appointments or elections to which are or may be made or confirmed by the local authority or any committee or sub-committee of the authority or by a joint committee or National Park authority on which the authority are represented or by any person holding any such office or employment; or
 - is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim bankruptcy restrictions order, or a debt relief restrictions order under Schedule 4ZB of the Insolvency Act 1986; or
 - [This has been removed and no longer applies]
 - has within five years before the day of 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
 - is disqualified for being elected or for being a member of that authority under Part III of the Representation of the People Act 1983.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of section 81 below, a paid officer of a local authority who is employed under the direction of –
- a committee or sub-committee of the authority any member of which is appointed on the nomination of some other local authority; or
 - a joint board, joint authority, economic prosperity board, combined authority, joint waste authority or joint committee on which the authority are represented and any member of which is so appointed
- shall be disqualified for being elected or being a member of that other local authority.
- (2AA) A paid member of staff of the Greater London Authority who is employed under the direction of a joint committee the membership of which includes –
- one or more persons appointed on the nomination of the Authority acting by the Mayor, and
 - one or more members of one or more London borough councils appointed to the committee on the nomination of those councils,
- shall be disqualified for being elected or being a member of any of those London borough councils.
- (2A) Subsection (2) above shall have effect as if the reference to a joint board included a reference to a National Park authority.
- (2B) For the purposes of this section a local authority shall be treated as represented on a National Park authority if it is entitled to make any appointment of a local authority member of the National Park authority.
- (3) Subsection (1)(a) shall have effect in relation to a teacher in a school maintained by the local authority who does not hold an employment falling within that provision as it has effect in relation to a teacher in such a school who holds such an employment.
- (5) For the purposes of subsection (1)(d) above, the ordinary date on which the period allowed for making an appeal or application with respect to the conviction expires or, 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 the non-prosecution thereof shall be deemed to be the date of the conviction.

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81. Exception to provisions of section 80

- (4) Section 80(2) and (3) above shall not operate so to disqualify –
- (a) any person by reason of his being a teacher, or otherwise employed, in a school or other educational institution maintained or assisted by a county council for being a member of a district council by reason that the district council nominates members of the education committee of the county council.

81A. Disqualification relating to sexual offences etc

- (1) A person is disqualified for being elected or being a member of a local authority in England 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;
- (l) 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.

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Localism Act 2011

Section 34(4) describes how a person may be disqualified from standing in local government elections under this section. The remaining provisions of section 34 do not directly affect a person's entitlement to stand for election.

34. 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".

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Elections Act 2022

30. Disqualification orders

- (1) This section applies where –
- a person (“the offender”) is convicted of a Schedule 9 offence,
 - the offender was aged 18 or over when the offence was committed, and
 - 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 –
- for being nominated for election to a relevant elective office, and
 - 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 –
- 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
 - 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 –
- over a period of 2 or more days, or
 - 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	Certificate of authorisation	Office use only		
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To accompany the nomination of a candidate standing on behalf of a registered political party.

NOTE: candidates standing on behalf of two or more parties require a certificate from each party and each must allow the same registered joint description to be used.

This certificate must be issued by the registered Nominating Officer of the party or by a person authorised to sign on their behalf.

This certificate authorises the candidate to use a specific registered description or the name of the party as registered with the Electoral Commission, or to use 'any registered description or the party name as registered with the Electoral Commission'.

This authorised party name or description can then be included by the candidate on the nomination form. It is this which will appear as their description on the ballot paper. Party names and registered descriptions are listed on the Electoral Commission's website (<https://search.electoralcommission.org.uk>).

Name of candidate to be authorised and the allowed description/party name	
Full name of candidate	
Name of political party as registered with the Electoral Commission	
I hereby certify that the candidate may include the following registered description or party name on the nomination paper	
NOTE: It is an offence to sign this form if you are not the party's registered Nominating Officer or authorised to do so by the party's registered Nominating Officer.	
Signature of party's registered Nominating Officer or person authorised by the registered Nominating Officer	
Name of person signing this form	
Date	

3	Request for a party emblem	Office use only		
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This form is for a candidate of a political party who is subject to a certificate of authorisation and who wishes to have a party emblem printed on the ballot paper next to their name.

Party emblems are listed on the Electoral Commission's website

(<https://search.electoralcommission.org.uk>).

Candidate's request for use of an emblem This form must be signed by the candidate.	
Full name of candidate	
I request that the ballot paper shall contain, against my name, the following registered emblem (please identify which emblem if the party has registered more than one).	
Emblem to be used Please use name or description as on the Electoral Commission website https://search.electoralcommission.org.uk	
Candidate's signature	
Date	

Candidates standing on behalf of more than one political party and using a joint description may choose one emblem from one of the parties that they are standing for. Please indicate the name of the party and the emblem name in the 'Emblem to be used' box above.

4	Notification of an election agent	Office use only		
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Candidate's notification of their election agent	
Full name of candidate	
I hereby declare that the name and address of my election agent are:	
Agent's name	
Agent's home address in full	
The office address of my election agent to which all claims, notices, legal process and the other documents may be sent is:	
Agent's office address in full	
Candidate's signature (or of person authorised to act on behalf of the candidate)	
Date	

Election Agent's acceptance of appointment	
I confirm my acceptance of appointment as the election agent for the above named candidate. I understand that I must carry out my duties according to law. I understand that there are penalties if I fail to fulfil my duties according to law.	
Agent's signature	
Date	

Election Agent's other details in case of query (will not be published)	
Mobile phone number	
Email address	

