

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000

The Local Authorities (Referendums) (Petitions) (England) Regulations 2011

Notice of Verification Number

The Local Government Act 2000 provides that electors in the Council's area can petition the Council to hold a referendum on whether a local authority should change to a different form of governance. A petition must be signed by at least 5% of the local government electors for the district.

In accordance with the above Regulations, the number that is equal to 5% of the number of local government electors shown in the revised register of electors having effect on the 15 February 2024 is **4,638** (electorate as at 1 February 2024 is 92,758).

This figure will have effect for the purposes of determining the validity of Petitions presented from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2025.

The number equal to 5% of the local government electors for 2025 will be published within 14 days of the 15 February 2025. If this number is less than **4,638**, the number to be used for verification purposes in relation to any petition submitted for the period beginning on the date of publication of the lesser number until 31 March 2025 shall also be that lesser number.

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