



Elections – Polling Arrangements

Review of polling districts, places and stations 2014

Background information

If you have any comments or questions please contact:

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General Information

- The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 introduced a change to the timing of compulsory reviews of UK Parliamentary polling districts and polling places. The next compulsory review must now be started; subsequent compulsory reviews must be carried out every 5 years. The last review took place in 2011.
- The local authority is responsible for designating polling districts and polling places whilst the Returning officer is responsible for decisions on polling stations.
- A **polling district** is a geographical area. Each parish/parish ward must be a separate polling district. A good starting point is to include the whole parish/parish ward as one polling district. If this is too large in order to provide easy access the area can be split into smaller polling districts.
- A **polling place** is the area or building in which a polling station is located and should be within the polling district unless it is not possible to find a suitable place.
- A **polling station** is the actual room or building where polling takes place. This information is available on the notice of poll and communicated to electors via their poll card.

How the review is conducted

The Council announces that the review is to take place. The Returning Officer must be consulted on the current arrangements and must make representations on the existing polling stations used. The Returning Officer's comments must be published within 30 days of receipt.

Councillors, local political parties, residents and views from such persons who have particular expertise in relation to access to premises will also be invited to submit their representations and comment on the returning officer's representations.

What is not covered by the review

Boundaries of the parliamentary constituency, county council divisions, district council wards or parish and parish wards.

Timetable for the Review

Notice of start of review	Wednesday 30 July 2014
Returning Officer's comments published	No later than Wednesday 13 August 2014
Representations to be received by	Wednesday 17 September 2014
Report to Council	Thursday 23 October 2014
Revised arrangements come into force	Monday 1 December 2014

Making Comments

Representations on the current arrangements of polling districts, places and stations are welcome, however, it should be borne in mind that each parish/parish ward must be a separate polling district.

Comments do not have to be restricted to alternative proposals, support for the current arrangements are also welcome. When making representations it would be helpful to the Council for you to provide as much relevant information as you can about your current polling place including how conveniently it is located in relation to where you live, whether there is adequate parking, what access is like for disabled and/or wheelchair users and how suitable overall it is for voting. Please also indicate whether there are any other suitable premises that could be used.

Comments should be made in writing to: Electoral Services, Forest of Dean District Council, High Street, Coleford, GL16 8HG. Alternatively via email elec.reg@fdean.gov.uk or by fax 01594 812620 not later than 5 pm on Wednesday 17 September. A feedback form is attached for your use.

Current Arrangements

Current polling places, districts and stations together with information on the number of registered electors and those who have requested to vote at future elections by post are available at Appendix A

Appendix A

Parish/ Parish Ward	Polling District	Polling Place	Polling Station	No of Electors	Postal Voters
Alvington	NA	Alvington	Memorial Hall Alvington GL15 6BH	480	97
Awre*	NC	Blakeney	Blakeney and District Recreation Centre, Blakeney, GL15 4DW	1224	180
	NCA	Awre	Village Hall Awre GL14 1ES	164	9
Aylburton	ND	Aylburton	Memorial Hall Aylburton GL15 6BZ	592	87
Blaisdon	NE	Blaisdon	Village Hall Blaisdon GL17 0AH	213	37
Bromsberrow	NF	Bromsberrow	Village Hall Bromsberrow HR8 1RZ	349	66
Churcham	NH	Churcham	Kings Head Inn Birdwood GL19 3EF	554	118
Cinderford East Ward*	NIXB	Cinderford East	Sheltered Housing Scheme Worcester Road Cinderford GL14 2XB	1105	146
	NIZ	Cinderford East	Wesley Hall Belle Vue Road Cinderford GL14 2AB	1645	220
Cinderford West Ward*	NIX	Cinderford West	Grouped Housing Scheme Rowandean GL14 2XP	1315	224
	NIXA NIXC	Cinderford West Cinderford West	White Hart Inn St Whites Road GL14 3ER Grouped Accommodation Crawshay Place Off Valley Road GL14 2EW	827 1479	132 211
	NIY	Steam Mills	Cinderford Bowling Club Steam Mills GL14 3JD	227	43
Coleford Central Ward	NJ	Coleford	The Main Place Old Station Way Coleford GL16 8RH	2673	430
Coleford East Ward*	NJA	Broadwell	Evergreen Hall Speech House Road Broadwell GL16 7BG	2556	390
	NJB	Milkwall	Recreation Hall Station Road Milkwall GL16 7LJ	1065	150
	NJC	Coleford East	Coleford Library IT Suite Main Place Coleford GL16 8RH	674	100
Corse	NK	Corse	Village Hall Corse GL19 3RQ	451	78
Drybrook Village Ward	NM	Drybrook	Band Room Drybrook GL17 9BS	1426	191
Drybrook Ruardean Hill Ward*	NN	Ruardean Hill	Baptist Chapel Schoolroom Ruardean Hill GL17 9AR	511	106
	NO	Ruardean Woodside	Memorial Hall Ruardean Woodside GL17 9XY	500	72
Dymock	NQ	Dymock	Parish Hall Dymock GL18 2BG	1005	194
Gorsley and Kilcot	NX	Gorsley	Christ Church Gorsley GL18 1PB	233	46
English Bicknor	NY	English Bicknor	Village Hall English Bicknor GL16 7PD	360	55
Hartpury	OA	Hartpury	Methodist Chapel School Room Hartpury GL19 3BY	665	107
Hewelsfield and Brockweir	OC	Brockweir	Mackenzie Hall Brockweir NP16 7NW	402	63
Huntley	OE	Huntley	Village Hall Huntley GL19 3DU	914	137
Kempley	OF	Kempley	Village Hall Kempley GL18 2BN	244	49
Littledean	OG	Littledean	The Community Centre Littledean GL14 3NB	993	167
Longhope	OI	Longhope	The Latchen Room Longhope GL17 0QE	1270	197
Lydbrook*	OK	Lydbrook	Memorial Hall Lydbrook GL17 9LQ	1098	161
	OL	Joys Green	Joys Green Community Centre Lydbrook GL17 9QX	729	125
Lydney North Ward	OM	Lydney North	Primrose Hill Church Hall Lydney GL15 5SF	1488	261
Lydney East Ward	ON	Lydney East	Lydney Community Centre Naas Lane Lydney GL15 5AT	4092	595

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Lydney West Ward	OO	Lydney West	Lydney Town Hall High Street Lydney GL15 5DY	1448	191
Mitcheldean North Ward	OR	Mitcheldean	Community Centre Mitcheldean GL17 0BA	2006	308
Mitcheldean South Ward	ORA	Mitcheldean	Community Centre Mitcheldean GL17 0BA	238	51
Newent Central Ward	OS	Newent Central	Newent Memorial Hall Bury Bar Lane Newent GL18 1PT	3379	476
Newent North East	OSA	Newent North East	Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Ross Road Newent GL18 1BG	913	220
Newent South West	OSB	Newent South West	Village Hall Cliffords Mesne Newent GL18 1JN	310	76
Newland*	OT	Clearwell	Memorial Hall Clearwell GL16 8JS	523	87
	OU	Redbrook	Village Hall Redbrook NP25 4LY	323	59
Newnham	OV	Newnham	The Armoury Hall Newnham GL15 1DS	1098	151
Oxenhall Parish Meeting	OX	Oxenhall	Parish Hall Oxenhall GL18 1NE	181	35
Pauntley	OY	Pauntley	Brand Green Village Hall Pauntley GL19 3JE	264	45
Redmarley	OZ	Redmarley	Village Hall Redmarley GL19 3HS	623	97
Ruardean*	PA	Ruardean	War Memorial Hall Ruardean GL17 9XB	1040	140
	PAX	The Pludds	Village Hall The Pludds GL17 9UD	138	11
Rudford & Highleadon	PB	Rudford & Highleadon	Rudford & Highleadon Village Hall Rudford GL18 1HG	239	36
Ruspidge and Soudley*	PBX	Ruspidge	Memorial Hall Ruspidge GL14 3AD	1828	264
	PBY	Soudley	Village Hall Soudley GL14 2TY	442	61
Staunton Coleford	PD	Staunton Coleford	Village Hall Staunton Coleford GL16 8NX	240	43
Staunton Gloucester	PE	Staunton Gloucester	Staunton Sheltered Housing Scheme Johnstone Close Staunton GL19 3RR	613	115
St Briavels*	PF	St Briavels	St Briavels Assembly Rooms St Briavels GL15 6TG	970	145
	PG	Brockweir	Mackenzie Hall Brockweir NP16 7NW	84	18
Taynton	PHA	May Hill	Village Hall May Hill GL17 0NP	370	79
Tibberton	PI	Tibberton	Church Room Tibberton GL19 3AF	509	80
Tidenham*	PJ	Sedbury & Beachley	Sedbury and Beachley Village Hall King Alfreds Road Sedbury NP16 7AQ	2473	429
	PK	Tutshill	War Memorial Hall Tutshill NP16 7BN	1823	305
Upleadon	PN	Village Hall Upleadon	Village Hall Upleadon GL18 1EJ	249	46
Westbury-on-Severn	PO	Westbury-on-Severn	Parish Hall Westbury-On-Severn Glos GL14 1PF	1498	281
West Dean – Bream Ward	PP	Bream	Community Centre Bream Lydney GL15 6JS	2545	355
West Dean – Ellwood and Sling Ward	PQ	Sling	Sling Recreation & Social Club Sling GL16 8JG	914	124
West Dean – Berry Hill Ward	PS	Berry Hill	Berry Hill Institute Lakers Road Berry Hill GL16 7QU	1332	218
West Dean – Christchurch Ward	PSA	Christchurch	Berry Hill Institute Lakers Road Berry Hill GL16 7QU	731	128
West Dean – Pillowell Ward*	PU	Pillowell	Pillowell Village Hall Upper Road Pillowell GL15 4QZ	308	39
	PUA	Whitcroft	Memorial Hall Whitcroft GL15 4PA	600	82
	PV	Parkend	Parkend Memorial Hall Parkend GL15 4JF	497	68
	PW	Yorkley	Danby Close Sheltered Housing Yorkley GL15 4SH	1083	134
	PX	Viney Hill	Viney St Swithins Sports and Social Club Viney Hill GL15 4NF	417	50
Woolaston	PY	Woolaston	Memorial Hall Woolaston GL15 6NW	1023	172

*denotes where a parish/parish ward is split into smaller polling districts

