



To: Election Agents

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Dear Election Agent

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER ELECTIONS – 2 MAY 2024

I am aware that you have either appointed your prospective candidate or are in the process of considering nominations and I wanted to give you advance notice of arrangements for nominations.

Nominations

The requirements for the 2024 PCC elections are 100 subscribers (including the proposer and the seconder).

The proposer, seconder and the other subscribers may be registered anywhere in the Police area and there is no limit to the numbers of subscribers from anyone voting area eg they may all be registered in one voting area (ie District or City) or may be registered in different voting areas across the Police area.

Please find enclosed the nomination pack including the following documentation:

- Nomination Pack
- Withdrawal form

Nominations will open from the day after the publication of the Notice of Election on Tuesday 26 March 2024 at 10.00am and will close on Friday 5 April 2024 at 4.00pm.

As a further reminder, please be aware that candidates have two options either have their home address on the ballot paper or the wording "Address in Cambridgeshire Police Area". If candidates do not want their home address made public, they must complete section two of the home address form.

It is a requirement to present the nomination paper, home address forms and consent to nomination forms by hand and cannot be submitted by post, email etc. Only the certificate of authorisation and emblem request can be received by post.

The place of delivery, informal checking and formal submission will be at East Cambridgeshire District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambs CB7 4EE. Given the complexity of the nomination process, please make an appointment with the Elections Team to submit your nomination forms.

Returning to the requirements of the nomination process, the deposit of £5000 will be accepted in cash, bankers draft, electronic transfer of funds or payment by debit card. Electronic payment is preferred. The deposit must be received by the deadline for the submission of nomination papers and the candidate will not be validly nominated until receipt of the payment.

In addition, to assist you in the nomination process, can I clarify a number of further issues, specifically:

1. More than 100 subscribers (including proposer and seconder) – only the first 100 subscribers on any nomination paper can be considered. Nevertheless, occasionally a mistake is made or identified at the informal check with the subscribers on a nomination form and this entry should be crossed out and initialled.

In the event, I will check the first 100 subscribers (excluding any entry which has been crossed out) so under these circumstances it may be advisable (if you wish) to include more than 100 subscribers in your nomination papers prior to the informal check.

2. Given the wide geographic area and the number of subscribers required for the election, partly completed forms are acceptable. Please print off additional sheets from the pack to accommodate all names and signatures.

PLEASE NOTE that any nomination forms MUST include the front sheet showing the candidates details (including description) to enable me to consider the validity of the nomination form. I reiterate my previous advice that I will check the first 100 subscribers.

3. PLEASE NOTE revised guidance on 'Commonly used names' for elections on or after 2 May 2024 (ie they will apply to these PCC elections). Previous pre 2 May 2024 guidance will still apply with one notable addition, specifically:

“For elections taking place on or after 2 May 2024, in addition to candidates using a commonly used name that is different to their actual name, they can use a commonly used forename or surname, if they use one or more of their names as given on their nomination paper, in a different manner.”

“If a candidate is commonly known by some of their names, such as a middle name, they may request to use these names on the ballot paper.”

Eg, if Andrew John Smith-Jones is commonly known as John Smith-Jones, they can ask for this name to be used.

If you require any further clarification, please contact the Elections Team.

Candidates Address

I will be issuing guidance on the submission of candidates addresses shortly.

In addition, please see confirmation of the Candidates and Agents meeting which will take place remotely on Thursday 11 April 2024 at 10.30am. (Agenda will be forwarded nearer the time). At this meeting you will be advised on a number of matters including arrangements for postal vote despatch and opening, arrangements for verification and count and key dates post election.

For information, this letter and the attached documents will appear on the PARO website <https://www.eastcambs.gov.uk/elections-voting/police-and-crime-commissioner-election-2nd-may-2024>

If we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at elections@eastcambs.gov.uk or telephone 01353 616460.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Hill', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

John Hill
PARO (Cambridgeshire)

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