



# 2019 Combined Local Elections

## Briefing Note - Issue Number 3

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Plans for the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 combined local elections are well underway. This briefing note outlines key information that may be useful to Clerks, Councillors, perspective Councillors and Agents.

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**South Staffordshire District Council**

**'Be a Councillor' Event 08/01/19**

Our 'Be a Councillor' event was attended by over 30 people and we received positive feedback from those who attended the two sessions.

Attendees were able to hear from existing Councillors including the Leader of the Council, Councillor Brian Edwards, Chief Executive, Dave Heywood and Helen Murray from the Local Government Association.

For more information visit our 'Be a councillor' website:  
<https://beacouncillor.co.uk/south-staffordshire/>

To view the presentation from the event and the newly launched 'Be a Councillor' Workbook and Guidebook please visit:  
<https://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/council-democracy/be-a-councillor.cfm>

### Timetable of key dates

**Publication of notice of Election/beginning of the nomination period**

18 March 2019

**DEADLINE: Close of Nominations and appointment of Election Agents**

4pm on 3 April 2019

**PUBLICATION: Notice of Statements of Persons Nominated**

4pm on 4 April 2019

**DEADLINE: New voter registrations**

12 April 2019

**DEADLINE: Application for a Postal Vote**

5pm on 15 April 2019

**DEADLINE: Application for a Proxy Vote**

5pm on 24 April 2019

**DEADLINE: Appointment of Counting/Polling Agents**

25 April 2019

**Polling day**

2 May 2019



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## **Candidates and Agents Briefing Sessions**

We will be holding 2 Candidate and Agents Briefing sessions.

The 1<sup>st</sup> session takes place on 27 February 2019 at 5pm to 6:30pm at the Council offices in Codsall. The session will be a chance for potential candidates and their agents to gather information about the nomination process and how to complete their nomination form. Nomination packs will also be available at the session.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> session will be held on the 10 April 2019 at 5pm to 6:30pm at the Council offices in Codsall. The session will be outlining arrangements for the verification and count.

The Election team will be on hand at both sessions to answer any questions.

To reserve a place please contact us:

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