

# Notice of election

## Suffolk County Council

# Election of County Councillor

for the electoral division listed below

| Electoral division | Number of county councillors to be elected |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Hardwick           | One                                        |

1. Forms of nomination may be obtained from the Deputy Returning Officer who will, on request, prepare a nomination paper for signature.
2. Nomination papers must be delivered to the Deputy Returning Officer, West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3YU during office hours on any working day from the date of this notice (excluding bank holidays) but no later than **4pm on Thursday 9 April 2026**.
3. If any election is contested, the poll will take place on **Thursday 7 May 2026**.
4. Applications to register to vote must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by 12 midnight on **Monday 20 April 2026**. Applications can be made online: **<https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>**.
5. Applications, amendments or cancellations of postal votes and amendments or cancellations of proxy votes must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3YU by **5pm on Tuesday 21 April 2026**. Applications to vote by proxy at this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3YU by **5pm on Tuesday 28 April 2026**.
6. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election on grounds of physical incapacity or for work/service reasons must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3YU by **5pm on 7 May 2026**. To apply, the person must have become aware that they cannot go to the polling station in person after **5pm on Tuesday 28 April 2026**.
7. Applications for a Voter Authority Certificate or an Anonymous Elector's Document valid for this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by **5pm on Tuesday 28 April 2026**. Applications for a Voter Authority Certificate can be made online: **<https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate>**

Dated 27 March 2026

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