

Combined timetable for the Police and Crime Commissioner elections and local government elections in England: 2 May 2024

This timetable covers the following polls taking place in Milton Keynes on 2 May 2024:

- Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) elections for the Thames Valley Police Area
- Local government principal area elections for Milton Keynes City Council
- Some Parish council elections in Milton Keynes

The days which are disregarded in calculating the timetable are Saturday, Sunday, bank holidays and any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

Local or discretionary dates are highlighted in teal. Bank holidays are highlighted in grey.

The Police Area Returning Officer (PARO) is West Berkshire Council. Information about dates and arrangements for PCC nominations (and objections to nominations) are available on the West Berkshire Council website at:

[Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley election on 2 May 2024 - West Berkshire Council](#)

Event	Election	Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight)	Date
Initial Poll Card data to printers	All	-	Friday 8 March
Initial Postal Vote data to printers	All	-	Monday 18 March
Initial dispatch of Poll Cards (downstream provider 3 day service)	All	-	Friday 22 March
Publication of notice of election	Local and Parish	Not later than 25 days ¹	Monday 25 March
Delivery of Nomination Papers	Local and Parish	From the date stated on the notice of election up to 4pm on the nineteenth working day before the election	Between 10am and 4pm on any working day from Monday 25 March to Friday 5 April
Bank Holidays - Good Friday (29 March) & Easter Monday (1 April)			
Second issue Poll Card data to printers	All	-	Tuesday 2 April
Deadline for withdrawals of nomination	All	19 days (4pm)	4pm on Friday 5 April

¹ The last date for publication of the Notice of Election is 26 March, but it will be published on Monday 25 March in Milton Keynes.

Event	Election	Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight)	Date
Deadline for the notification of appointment of election agent	All, excluding Parish	19 days (4pm)	4pm on Friday 5 April
Publication of first interim election notice of alteration	All	At 19 days	Friday 5 April
Second dispatch of Poll Cards (RM First Class)	All	-	Monday 8 April
Publication of statement of persons nominated	All	Not later than 18 days (4pm)	Not later than 4pm on Monday 8 April
Initial dispatch of Postal Votes (Royal Mail First Class)	All	-	From Tuesday 16 April
Deadline for receiving applications for registration	All	12 days	Tuesday 16 April
Deadline for receiving new postal vote and postal proxy applications, and for changes to existing postal or proxy votes	All	11 days (5pm)	5pm on Wednesday 17 April
Final Postal Vote data to printers	All	-	After 5pm on Wednesday 17 April
Final Poll Card data to printers	All	-	Wednesday 17 April
Publication of second interim election notice of alteration	All	Between 18 days and 6 days	Thursday 18 April
First opening of postal votes	All	-	Monday 22 April 2pm and 6.30pm
Deadline for receiving new applications to vote by proxy (not postal proxy or emergency proxies)	All	6 days (5pm)	5pm on Wednesday 24 April
Deadline for receiving applications for Voter Authority Certificates	All	6 days (5pm)	5pm on Wednesday 24 April
Publication of Notice of Poll	All	Not later than 6 days	Not later than Wednesday 24 April
Final dispatch of Postal Votes (RM First Class)	All	-	Wednesday 24 April
Final dispatch of Poll Cards (RM First Class)	All	-	Thursday 25 April

Event	Election	Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight)	Date
Publication of final election notice of alteration	All	5 days	Thursday 25 April
Deadline for notification of appointment of polling and counting agents	All	5 days	Thursday 25 April
Notification of appointment of sub-agents	PCC	5 days	Thursday 25 April
First date that electors can apply for replacements for lost postal votes	All	4 days	Friday 26 April
Polling day	All	0 (7am to 10pm)	7am to 10pm on Thursday 2 May
Last time that electors can apply for a replacement for spoilt or lost postal votes	All	0 (5pm)	5pm on Thursday 2 May
Deadline for emergency proxy applications	All	0 (5pm)	5pm on Thursday 2 May
Last time to alter the register due to clerical error or court appeal	All	0 (9pm)	9pm on Thursday 2 May
Deadline for production of temporary Voter Authority Certificates	All	0 (10pm)	10pm on Thursday 2 May
Counting of votes	Local and Parish	-	From 9am on Friday 3 May at Marshall Arena, Stadium MK
Counting of votes	PCC (MK area)	-	From 10am on Saturday 4 May at Civic Offices
Delivery of return as to election expenses	Parish council	Not later than 28 calendar days* after the date of the election	Thursday 30 May
Delivery of return as to election expenses	Local	Not later than 35 calendar days* after the result is declared	Friday 7 June
Delivery of return as to election expenses	PCC	Not later than 35 calendar days* after the result is declared	Monday 10 June
Deadline for sending postal vote identifier rejection notices	All	Within 3 months from the date of the poll	By Friday 2 August

*If the last day of the period falls on a weekend, bank holiday or any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning, in which case the last day moves to the next working day.