Annotated nomination papers – District Council Elections

Process and forms

- 1.1 Generally, there are three forms you must submit to make your nomination valid:
 - Nomination form
 - Home Address form
 - Consent to nomination

You must deliver these forms by hand, and they must be originals -so not copies. Any documents sent by email or fax will not be accepted.

- 1.2 If you are standing on behalf of a registered political party you will also need to submit:
 - a certificate of authorisation
 - an emblem request form, if you want an emblem on the ballot paper

These can be delivered by hand or by post but must be originals. Any documents sent by email or fax will not be accepted.

- 1.3 You may also submit an agent appointment form. This does not need to be submitted with your other nomination forms but must arrive before the deadline to be accepted. If you do not submit an agent appointment form, you become your own agent by default.
- 1.4 If you have any issues with completing your nomination forms, please contact the Election Office, <u>elections@cotswold.gov.uk</u>
- 1.5 Nomination papers must be hand delivered to the Returning Officer at Trinity Road, Cirencester, GL7 1PX.
- 1.6 A queueing system will be in place to ensure that each candidate is able to submit their papers and you may therefore have to wait for your paper to be checked. You may leave your nomination paper with the Elections Team before it has been checked, but may need to complete a new paper if there are any errors or omissions.
- 1.7 Although not necessary, if you would like to make an appointment to bring your nomination in, please contact the Elections Team, <u>elections@cotswold.gov.uk</u> and we will do our best to accommodate your request.
- 1.8 Once your nomination is formally submitted you cannot amend any details. But if you change your mind and no longer want to stand

for election, you can withdraw your nomination until 4pm on 4 April 2023.

2 Further Information

Other useful guidance sources

Electoral Commission Guidance for candidates and agents

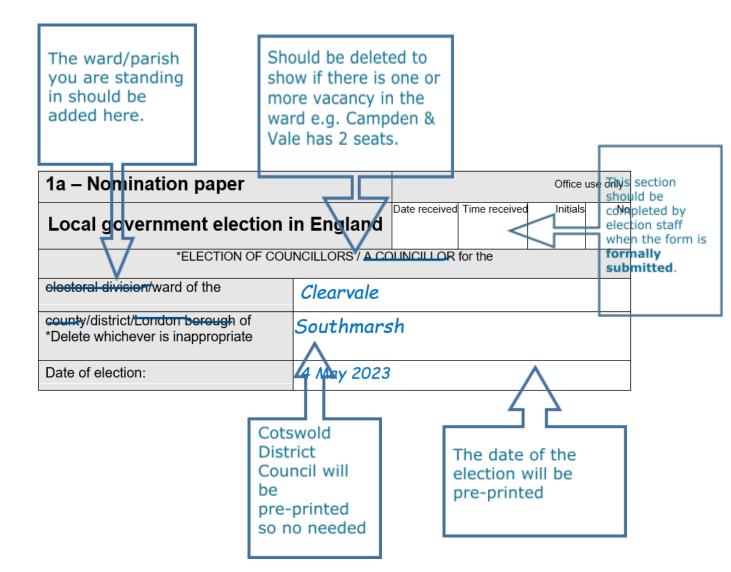
The Local Elections (Principal Areas) (England and Wales) Rules 2006

3 Annotated forms

These annotated forms cover areas of common confusion or difficulty for you to refer to as you complete your nomination paper.

Notes have been added to draw attention to areas where mistakes are often made, or where you are likely to have questions.





Form 1a – Nomination paper (Candidate's details)

The Candidate's details section must be completed in full before any electors sign the nomination paper

Full names must be		
added here – no initials.		It is not vital to complete this.
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Prefixes like Sir, or suffixes like Snr, must		paper or other notices.
not be used.		
hot be used.		Will be preprinted
1		
We the undersigned being less gevern	mont olo	ctors for the said *etectoral division/ ward, do
hereby nominate the under-mentioned p	erson as	a candidate at the said election
Candidate's Details		V
Candidate's surname	Smith	Mr/Mrs/Miss/ Ms/Dr/Other
Other forenames in full	Josep	bh .
Commonly used surname (if any)		
Commonly used forenames (if any)	Jo	Λ
Description (if any) Use no more than six words (see note 5)	Gold p	party candidate
$ \land $		
Δ		This is optional.
The description may be left bla	nk.	If you are commonly known by a different name to your actual name, you
OR you could use the descripti	on	should enter it here.
`Independent'.		The commonly used name will appear
		on the ballot paper and Statement of
OR - for political party		Persons Nominated instead of your
candidates, you will need to en	ter	actual name.
the registered party name or		It is immentant to read Electoral
description as authorised by th		It is important to read <u>Electoral</u> <u>Commission guidance</u> if a commonly
party. This must be as register		used name is used.
with the <u>Electoral Commission</u> ,		
and must match EXACTLY with	n	
the description authorised on Form 2 – the Certificate of		
Authorisation.		
Authorisation.		
Parish/Town only can use a		
description of up to 6 words		
It is important to read Electora		
<u>Commission guidance</u> if a	·	Page 4 of 19
description is used.		Version 2 (January 2023)

Form 1a – Nomination paper (subscribers)

We, the undersigned, being local government electors for the said *electoral division/ ward, do hereby assent to the foregoing nomination *Delete whichever is inappropriate

			Electoral number			
	Signature	Print name	Polling District	Elector Number	1	
Proposer	5 Jones	Sarah Jones	AE	123 <		
Seconder	TJones	Tom Jones	AE	124	$\overline{}$	

You should include the polling district reference and elector number from the register in force when the Notice of Election is published. The Elections Team can provide these for you

The form must be signed by two registered electors, a proposer and seconder from the relevant Ward.

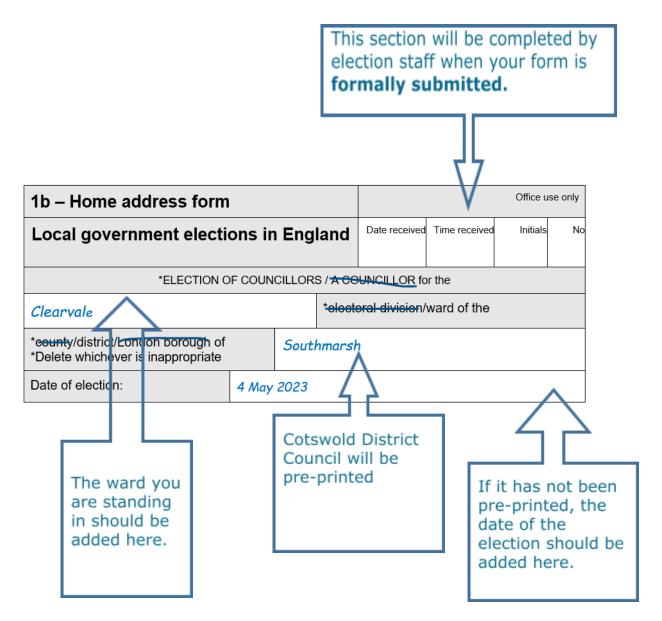
If the Notice of Election has been published earlier than 27 March 2023, we can help you with elector numbers if you tell us the full name and address of each subscriber.

Each subscriber must sign the nomination form in the signature column. Their name must be printed too, preferably in capitals, and does not have to exactly match the name printed in the electoral register.

An elector must not sign more nomination papers than there are vacancies in the Ward. If subscribers sign more nomination papers than there are vacancies, their signature will only be valid on the first papers delivered to the Returning Officer.

For further information see the Electoral Commission guidance.

Form 1b – Home address form (header)



Form 1b – Home address form (Part 1)

All candidates must complete Part 1 of Form 1b

This should be your actual full name, rather than any commonly used name. Your home address must be given here: Part 1770 be completed by all candidates in England In full and without any Joseph Smith Full name of candidate abbreviations 1 Forest Lane it must be your current Southfold, S99 1ZW Home address (in full) home address it must not be a business address (unless you run a Qualifying address: Add your qualifying address, or qualifying addresses (in full) to each of the relevant qualifications below (you can complete more than one qualification). business from your home). Address Qualifications that apply (tick those which apply) For further information see the (a) I am registered as a local government 1 Forest Lane EC guidance. elector for the area of the Southfold, S99 1ZW *county/district/London borough named A full address above should be (b) I have during the whole of the preceding written next 12 months occupied as owner or tenant land to each or other premises in the area named above qualification that applies (c) my principal or only place of work during **Dr Jo's Medical Practice** to you. the preceeding 12 months has been in the 1 High Street, Northfold, 599 2AB *county/district/London borough named If relevant, a above different address may (d) I have during the whole of the preceeding be used for 12 months resided in the *county/district or each London borough named above qualification. Witness details At least one Full name of the person who will witness the Sidney Jackson Brown must match candidate's consent to nomination form information 3 Forest Lane you give on Full home address of the person who will witness Southfold, 599 1ZW Form 1c. the candidate's consent to nomination form There are no restrictions on who can be a witness, but the same person must also witness Form 1c.

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Form 1b – Home address form (Part 2)

Candidates who do not want their home address printed on the ballot paper must complete and sign Part 2 of Form 1b.

Part 2 should be submitted whether it is completed or not.

Part 2: To be completed made public.	only if you do not wish your home address to be	
	s part (part 2) of the home address form with your n if your home address is to be made public.	
the statement of persons nom relevant area in which your ho	address is not made public then your address will not appear on inated, notice of poll or the ballot paper. Instead the name of the ome address is situated (or country, if outside the UK), as explaine ement of persons nominated, notice of poll and the ballot papers.	d
Statement: I require my home	address not to be made public	
The relevant area my home address is situated in:	Southmarsh (insert name of relevant area) ²	
OR		
My home address is situated outside the UK. My home address is situated in:	(insert name of country)	If either of the two boxes
Signature of candidate (only r	equired where Part 2 above has been completed)	above
Candidate's signature:	9Smith	have been completed the form
Date:	31 March 2023	must be
		signed and dated.
	The relevant area is the county/district/London borough your home address is in. For example, if your home address is in the Cotswold District area, the name of the relevant area is "Cotswold District" For more information see the <u>Electoral</u> <u>Commission guidance</u> .	

Form 1c – Consent to nomination

The entire form must be submitted (pages 1 to 5).

	1c – Candidate's consent to	nomination		Office use only				
	Local government election		Date received Time re-	ceived Initials No	This should be			
	"You must declare that you meet at leas more than one qualification if applicable. qualification(s) that apply must match th	To do this, strike thre	ough any that do not	apply. Any	your actual full			
	Date of election:	4 May 2023			name (rather than			
You must strike	I (name in full):	Joseph Smith	1	\sim	commonly			
through any	hereby consent to my nomination as a candidate for election as councillor for the:	Clearvale		*electora division/ ward	used name) as			
qualification that does not	of the *county/district/London borough		Southmarsh		given in Form			
apply, leaving at	I declare that on the day of my nominal election, I will be qualified to be so elec qualifying Commonwealth citizen, a citi State of the European Union, who has	ted by virtue of bei izen of the Republic	ng on that day or the of Ireland or a citiz	ose days a	1a.			
least one not	*a. I am registered as a local govern	nment elector for th ough named above		ty/district/London				
struck through.	to i have during the whole of the 12 owner or tenant land or	months preceding other premises in the	that day, or those (ie area named abo	iays, occupied as ve; or				
	*c. my principal or only place *county/district	of work during the London borough n		een in the				
The qualifications	*d Litrave during the whole of those 12	months resided in named above.	the *county/district	or London borough				
which apply must match	declare that to the best of my knowledge disqualification set out in, or decision made un 34 of the Localism Act 2011 (copies of which within the meaning of Part 1 of the Local Go	nder, sections 80 or 81, n are printed overleaf),	A of the Local Governm and I do not hold a p	nent Act 1972 or section politically restricted post,	 			
the	meaning of that Part. Note 1: A candidate who is qualified by more th				Novement elem			
information	Note 2: Disqualifications set out under s.81A subject to any relevant notification requirement				You must sign here, and the			
you give in Part 1 of	Date of birth: 23/04/1991				date should not			
Form 1b.	Signature: gSmith				be earlier than			
	Date of consent: 20 March 202				4 March 2023.			
	Witness I confirm the above-mention Witness (name in full) Sidney Jackson	ned candidate signed I <i>Brown</i>	the declaration in m	y presence.	1			
	Witness's signature: \$7 Brown		Λ					
	You must be 18 or							
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			witnessed					
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Form 2 – Certificate of authorisation

For party candidates only

2 – Certificate of	of authori	sation			Office	use only	If you are
Local gover E	nment ele England	ections in	Date received Tim	e received	Initials	Na	authorised to use a specific registered
							description or party name, it
Details of candid	ate to be au	thorised and the	allowed desci	iption/4	party na	me	should be
Ward/d ivision- name:	Clearvale		Date of election:	4 N	May 202	3	written here. It must match the
The candidate (name in full):		Joseph S	Smith				description you give on
Name of political part	y:	Gold party Political party	y registered with th	ne Electo	ral Comm	ission	Form 1a.
may include the follow registered description	I hereby certify that the candidate may include the following registered description or party name in their nomination form:				Or, if you are authorised to choose from a range of		
Note: it is an offence or author		orm if you are not th o by the party's regi				fficer	registered descriptions
Signature of party's re Officer (or person aut registered Nominating Name of person signi	egistered Nor horised by the g Officer):	ninating <i>H Robert</i>			<		or party names, it should say `any
Name of person signi	ng uns ionn.		<u> </u>				registered
Date:		31 March	2023				description or the party's
	luct be ci	gned by the	party's Non	ainatiu	00	_	name as registered
		someone aut			-		with the Electoral Commission'
Registered party		l descriptions ca mmission webs		n the]		Check the <u>Electoral</u> Commission
-	nore detai	tion details of t s to view the de to choose from	escriptions				website for descriptions.

For party candidates only

Form 3 – Emblem request form (To request an emblem as registered with the EC)

3 – Request for a party emblem			Office	use only
Local government elections in England	Date received	Time received	Initials	No

Candidate's requ	est for use of an emblem	ı		
Ward/division name:	Clearvale	Date of election:	4 May 2023	
Candidate name in full:	Joseph Smith			This should
-	allot paper shall contain, again identify which emblem if the pa			be the name registered
Emblem to be used (Please use name or description as on the <u>E</u> <u>Commission's website</u>		land version (ID 999)	with the Electoral Commission
Candidate's signature:	JSmith	\wedge	$\langle \cdot \rangle$	e.g., "Emblem fo use in
Date:	31 March 2023		7	England" or "Emblem ID
		This must b signed by y		999″.
by searching the	found on the <u>Electoral</u> registration details for the nore details to view the	the party and		

Form 4 – Agent notification form

Optional – if you do not appoint an agent, you will become your own agent by default.

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4 - Notification of an election agent				Office u	se only
Local government elec	tions in England	Date received	Time received	Initials	No
Ward/division name	Clearvale	•			·
Date of election:	4 May 2023	}			

	Candidate's notificati		Must be a physical					
	I, (Candidate name in full):	Joseph Smith		address,			
	Hereby declare that the n	ame and addre	ess of my election agent is:	_	within the council area,			
	Agent's name:		Emma White	-	or in a			
	Agent's address (in full):			_	constituency within the			
			10 Marine Road, Whitecoast, W12 3AB		local			
	The office address of my		t to which all claims, notices, legal process and th iments may be sent is:	e	government area, or in a			
	Agent's office address (in	full):	Gold Party Office, 8 Main Street, Northfold, 599 3XY		district, borough,			
si	lust be ignature (or igned by act on beha		9,Smith	$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	Welsh county/ county			
y	ou 🚽		31 March 2023		borough			
	Confirmation of acce		adjoining it.					
М	candidate. I understand that I must ca ust be ail to fulfil my		-		The agent's office address will appear on			
	gned by ture:		EB White		the Notice of Election			
	our gent		31 March 2023		Agents			
ay	<u> </u>							
	Agent's other details	s in case of	query (optional – will not be published)	,				
	Home telephone:	01742 55555	55		It is useful			
	Work telephone:	01742 4444	44		to provide this			
	Mobile telephone:	09777 4444	44	71	information			
	Email address:	3bwh1te554	4@goldpartymail.co.uk		in case of			
				$\neg \neg$	query or			
with	If you appoint yourself as your election agent, but are withholding your home address from the ballot paper and							
	o not want it to appear on the Notice of Election Agents, u can provide an office address which is different to your home address.							
ł	For more informa	tion see t <u>guida</u>	the <u>Electoral Commission</u> nce					

Appendix A – Example of correctly completed nomination

1a – Nomination paper				Office	use only
Local government election i	n England	Date received	Time received	Initials	No
*ELECTION OF COU	NCILLORS / A.C.		for the		
electoral division/ward of the	Clearvale				
county/district/London borough of *Delete whichever is inappropriate	Southmars	sh			
Date of election:	4 May 2023				

Candidate's Details				
Candidate's surname	Smith	Mr/Mrs/Miss/ Ms/Dr/Other		
Other forenames in full	Joseph			
Commonly used surname (if any)				
Commonly used forenames (if any)	Jo			
Description (if any) Use no more than six words (see note 5)	Gold party candidate			

We, the undersigned, being local government electors for the said *electoral division/ ward, do hereby assent to the foregoing nomination *Delete whichever is inappropriate

	Signature		Electoral number		
		Print name	Polling District	Elector Number	
Proposer	S Jones	Sarah Jones	AE	123	
Seconder	Tjones	Tom Jones	AE	124	

1b – Home address form					Office u	ise only	
Local government elections in England			Date received	Time received	Initials	No	
*ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS / A O				UNCILLOR fo	or the		
Clearvale *elect			* clect e	oral division/	ward of the		
*county/district/condon borough of *Delete whichever is inappropriate			hmarsh	1			
Date of election:	4 May 2023						

You must complete Part 1

Only complete Part 2 if you do not wish your home address to be made public

Part 1: To be completed by all candidates in England						
Full name of candidate	Joseph Smith					
Home address (in full)	1 Forest Lane Southfold, S99 1ZW					
Qualifying address: Add your qualifying addres relevant qualifications below (you can complete						
Qualifications that apply (tick those which apply	/)	Address				
(a) I am registered as a local government elector for the area of the *county/district/London borough named above	*	1 Forest Lane Southfold, 599 1ZW				
(b) I have during the whole of the preceding 12 months occupied as owner or tenant land or other premises in the area named above						
(c) my principal or only place of work during the preceeding 12 months has been in the *county/district/London borough named above	*	Dr Jo's Medical Practice 1 High Street, Northfold, 599 2AB				
(d) I have during the whole of the preceeding 12 months resided in the *county/district or London borough named above						
Witness details						
Full name of the person who will witness the candidate's consent to nomination form		Sidney Jackson Brown				
Full home address of the person who will witness the candidate's consent to nomination form		3 Forest Lane Southfold, S99 1ZW				

Part 2: To be completed only if you do not wish your home address to be made public.

Note: Please submit this part (part 2) of the home address form with your nomination papers, even if your home address is to be made public.

If you request that your home address is not made public then your address will not appear on the statement of persons nominated, notice of poll or the ballot paper. Instead the name of the relevant area in which your home address is situated (or country, if outside the UK), as explained below, will appear on the statement of persons nominated, notice of poll and the ballot papers.

Statement: I require my home address not to be made public

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The relevant area my home	Southmarsh			
address is situated in:	(insert name of relevant area) ²			
OR				
My home address is situated outside the UK. My home address is situated in:	(insert name of country)			
Signature of candidate (only required where Part 2 above has been completed)				
Candidate's signature:	JSmith			
Date:	31 March 2023			

Deliver both Parts 1 and 2 with the nomination paper to the Returning Officer by no later than 4pm on the last day to deliver nominations

² the name of the "relevant area" in which your home address is situated (if your home address is in the UK)

- For home addresses in England:
 - if the address is within a district for which there is a district council, that district;
 - if the address is within a county in which there are no districts with councils, that county;
 - if the address is within a London borough, that London borough;
 - if the address is within the City of London (including the Inner and Middle Temples), the City of London; and
 - if the address is within the Isles of Scilly, the Isles of Scilly
- For home addresses in Wales:
 - if the address is within a county, that county;
 - if the address is within a county borough, that county borough
- For home addresses in Scotland:
 - the local government area in which the address is situated
 - For home addresses in Northern Ireland:
 - the local government district in which the address is situated

Note: The relevant area should be given in the format described above and is not the ward or parish, nor should the local authority name be given in full

1c – Candidate'	s consent to n			Office use of	only		
Local governm	ent elections i	Date received	Time rec	eived Initials	Nc		
more than one quali	hat you meet at least one fication if applicable. To apply must match the infe	do this, strike thro	ugh any that	t do not a	pply. Any		
Date of election:		4 May 2023					
I (name in full):		Joseph Smith					
hereby consent to my candidate for election the:		Clearvale			*elect division/ w		
of the *county/district/	London borough of:		Southm	arsh			
election, I will be quali qualifying Commonwe	I declare that on the day of my nomination, I am qualified and that, if there is a poll on the day of election, I will be qualified to be so elected by virtue of being on that day or those days a qualifying Commonwealth citizen, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland or a citizen of a Member State of the European Union, who has attained the age of 18 years and that:						
*a. I am registered	as a local governme boroug	nt elector for the h named above;		e *count	y/district/Londor	A	
b. I have during th owner	b. I have during the whole of the 12 months preceding that day, or those days, occupied as owner or tenant land or other premises in the area named above; or						
*c. my princ	ipal or only place of v *county/district/Lor				een in the		
*d Lhave during the v	*d Lhave during the whole of these 12 months resided in the *county/district or London borough - named above.						
I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief I am not disqualified for being elected by reason of any disqualification set out in, or decision made under, sections 80 or 81A of the Local Government Act 1972 or section 34 of the Localism Act 2011 (copies of which are printed overleaf), and I do not hold a politically restricted post, within the meaning of Part 1 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, under a local authority, within the meaning of that Part.							
Note 1: A candidate who is	Note 1: A candidate who is qualified by more than one qualification may complete any of those which may apply.						
Note 2: Disqualifications set out under s.81A of the Local Government Act 1972 only apply to a person who is subject to any relevant notification requirements, or a relevant order, made on or after 28 June 2022.							
Date of birth:	23/04/1991						
Signature:	JSmith						
Date of consent:	Date of consent: 20 March 2023						
Witness: I confirm the above-mentioned candidate signed the declaration in my presence.							
Witness (name in full)	Sidney Jackson Bro	own					
Witness's signature:	8 J Brown						

2 - Certificate of authorisation	Office use only			use only
Local government elections in England	Date received	Time received	Initials	No

To accompany the nomination of a candidate standing on behalf of a registered political party. (Note: candidates standing on behalf of two or more parties require a certificate from each party and each must allow the same registered joint description to be used).

This certificate must be issued by the registered Nominating Officer of the party or by a person authorised to sign on their behalf.

This certificate authorises the candidate to use a specific registered description or the name of the party as registered with the Electoral Commission, or to use 'any registered description or the party name as registered with the Electoral Commission'.

This authorised party name or description can then be included by the candidate on the nomination form. It is this which will appear as their description on the ballot paper. Party names and registered descriptions are listed on the Electoral Commission's website (<u>http://search.electoralcommission.org.uk</u>).

Details of candid	Details of candidate to be authorised and the allowed description/party-name						
Ward/d ivision- name:	Clearvale			Date of election:	4 May 2023		
The candidate (name in full):			Joseph Smith				
Name of political part	у:		d party Political party registered with the Electoral Commission				
I hereby certify that the candidate may include the following registered description or party name in their nomination form:			old party candidate				
Note: it is an offence or auth			u are not the pa party's registere				
Signature of party's registered Nominating Officer (or person authorised by the registered Nominating Officer):			H Robertson				
Name of person signing this form:			Hugh Robertson				
Date:		31 March 2023					

This form must be delivered to the Returning Officer by no later than 4pm on the last day to deliver nominations.

3 - Request for a party emblem	Office use on			use only
Local government elections in England	Date received	Time received	Initials	No

This form is for a candidate of a political party who is subject to a certificate of authorisation and who wishes to have a party emblem printed on the ballot paper next to their name.

Party emblems are listed on the Electoral Commission's website (http://search.electoralcommission.org.uk).

This form must be signed by the candidate.

Candidate's request for use of an emblem							
Ward/division name:	Cleary	Vale	Date of election:	4 May 2023			
Candidate name in full:	Joseph Smith						
-	I request that the ballot paper shall contain, against my name, the following registered emblem (please identify which emblem if the party has registered more than one):						
Emblem to be used (Please use name or description as on the E Commission's website	(Please use name or description as on the Electoral						
Candidate's signature:							
Date:		31 March 2023					

This form is only effective if delivered for a candidate standing on behalf of a political party to the Returning Officer by no later than 4pm on the last day to deliver nominations.

Candidates standing on behalf of more than one political party and using a joint description may choose one emblem from one of the parties that you are standing for. Please indicate the name of the party and the emblem name in the 'Emblem to be used' box above.

4 - Notification of an election			Office us	e only	
Local government elections	in England	Date received	Time received	Initials	Na
Ward/division name	Clearvale				
Date of election:	4 May 2023				

Candidate's notification of their election agent					
I, (Candidate name in full):	Joseph Smith				
Hereby declare that the name and address of my election agent is:					
Agent's name:	Emma White				
Agent's address (in full):	10 Marine Road, Whitecoast, W12 3AB				
The office address of my election agent to which all claims, notices, legal process and the other documents may be sent is:					
Agent's office address (in full):	Gold Party Office, 8 Main Street, Northfold, 599 3XY				
Candidate's signature (or of person authorised to act on behalf of candidate):	JSmith				
Date:	31 March 2023				
Confirmation of acceptance by	election agent				
I [agent named above] confirm my acceptance as the election agent for the above named candidate. I understand that I must carry out my duties according to law. I understand that there are penalties if I fail to fulfil my duties according to law.					
Agent's signature:	EB White				
Date:	31 March 2023				

Agent's other details in case of query (optional – will not be published)					
Home telephone:	01742 555555				
Work telephone:	01742 444444				
Mobile telephone:	09777 444444				
Email address:	3bwh1te5544@goldpartymail.co.uk				

Return to the Returning Officer by no later than 4pm on the last day to deliver nominations.