

# Referendum Notice

## The Local Authority (Referendums) (Petitions & Directions) (England) Regulations 2000

### Publication of Verification Number

In accordance with Regulation 4(1) of the above regulations the number that is equal to 5% of the number of local government electors shown in the revised register of electors having effect on the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026 is:

10,291

This verification number will have effect for the purposes of determining the validity of any petitions which are presented between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2027 asking the Council to hold a referendum on change to its governance arrangements.

A new verification number will be published within 14 days of 15<sup>th</sup> February 2027. If that number is less than 10,291, the number to be used for verification purposes in relation to any petition submitted to the Council in the period beginning on the date of publication of the lower number until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2027 shall be that lower number.

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