

## **CORE OFFER BUDGET FOR ELECTIONS & ELECTORAL REGISTRATION**

### **WHY DOES THE COUNCIL HAVE TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE AND WHAT DOES IT NEED TO COVER?**

The Council has a statutory duty to deliver national and local elections and maintain the Individual Electoral Registration to meet legislative requirements as follows:-

Local Elections and Referenda

Police Elections

Parliamentary Elections

Parliamentary Boundary Review/Local Government Boundary Review

Community Governance Review

Individual Electoral Registration

- Annual Canvass
- Rolling Registration
- Recruitment and training of staff for Annual Canvass

Performance standards

Production, monitoring and updating of Electoral Plans

Postal Vote refresh on an annual basis

### **HOW DOES THE CORE OFFER BUDGET MEET THE COUNCIL'S OBLIGATIONS?**

The core offer enables the Council to maintain its statutory obligations.

### **DOES THIS DIFFER FROM THE CURRENT SERVICE?**

The additional workload in relation to Individual Electoral Registration has been managed within existing resource. It is not possible for the Council to meet its statutory obligations with less than the current service levels. All staff are multi-skilled and Elections/Electoral Registration are part of their core role. Staff also manage the Democratic processes of the Council.

### **WHAT IS THE CORE BUDGET MADE UP OF?**

#### **2019/20 - £303,681**

£69,684	Staff Payments, including casual staff for IER
£120,000	Local Elections every four years (in 2019/20)
£104,710	Election Officers
£9,287	Overheads