

Timetable of Review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations

Dates	Action / Event
Thursday, 21st July 2011	Report to Full Council requesting endorsement of the process for the Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations.
Friday, 2nd September, 2011	<p>Publication of Notice advising of commencement of Review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations. The Notice will state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • that the local authority is conducting a review of Polling Districts and Polling Places; • that the (Acting) Returning Officer will make comment on proposed Polling Stations; • that electors within the authority, or the UK Parliamentary constituency of Darlington, may make a representation; • that the authority would welcome any person or body with expertise in access for persons with any type of disability to make a representation or to comment on the authority's proposals, the (Acting) Returning Officer's representation, or any other related matter; • that persons or bodies making representations should, if possible, suggest alternative places that may be used as Polling Places; • the postal address, e-mail address and website address at which documents can be inspected and representations made; • an indication of the timetable of the review and a deadline for representations. <p>The Notice will be placed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at the Main Reception area at the Town Hall; and • on the Council's website.

<p>Monday, 5th September, 2011</p>	<p>Commence consultation on existing Polling Districts, Places and Stations. Invite feedback from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Returning Officer • MP • MEP's • All Ward Councillors • Darlington Association for Disabled • GOLD • BME Community Groups • Presiding Officers • Headteachers / School Governors • Polling Station Inspectors <p>Place details of the Review of Polling Districts, Places and Stations on the DBC website, with link on the mini banners to on-line consultation.</p>
<p>Friday, 23rd September, 2011</p>	<p>Deadline for receipt of comments in response to initial consultation on existing Polling Districts, Places and Stations.</p>
<p>Monday, 5th September to Friday, 23rd September, 2011</p>	<p>Inspect existing Polling Stations, and any further venues proposed from the initial consultation process, in accordance with the guidance and templates provided by the Electoral Commission.</p>
<p>Monday, 26th September to Friday, 30th September 2011</p>	<p>Review of Findings - Formulate draft proposals based on responses received from initial consultation and inspection reports.</p>
<p>Monday, 3rd October to Friday,</p>	<p>Consultation exercise on draft proposals for Polling Districts, Places and Stations. To consult with:</p>

14th October, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acting Returning Officer • MP • MEP's • All Ward Councillors • Darlington Association for Disabled • GOLD • BME Community Groups • Presiding Officers • Headteachers / School Governors • Polling Station Inspectors
Monday, 17th October 2011 – Monday, 31st October 2011	Finalise proposals for Polling Districts, Places and Stations for submission to Council.
Thursday, 24th November 2011	Submission of final proposals to Full Council