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DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2019

Made - - - - ***

Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1

The Minister for the Cabinet Office makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 9HE and 105(2) of the Local Government Act 2000(**a**) ("the 2000 Act").

The Minister for the Cabinet Office has consulted the Electoral Commission about these Regulations as required by section 9HE(4) of the 2000 Act.

In accordance with section 105(6) of the 2000 Act, a draft of these Regulations has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2019.

(2) These Regulations come into force on the day after the day on which they are made.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations, "the 2007 Regulations" means the Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007(**b**) and "mayoral election" has the meaning given in regulation 2 of those Regulations.

Application

3. These Regulations apply only in respect of a mayoral election taking place in England.

(**a**) 2000 c. 22. Section 9HE was inserted by the Localism Act 2000 (c. 20), Schedule 2, paragraph 1, and has been amended by S.I. 2013/2597, 2015/1376 and 2016/997. Section 105 has been amended by the Local Government Act 2003 (c. 26), Schedule 3, paragraph 14, the Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), Schedule 3, paragraph 70, and S.I. 2013/2597, 2015/1376 and 2016/997. For the circumstances in which the powers in section 105(2) are exercisable by the Minister of the Cabinet Office, see section 105(2A).

(**b**) S.I. 2007/1024.

Savings

4. The amendments made to the 2007 Regulations by these Regulations do not apply in relation to any mayoral election in respect of which the date of the poll stated in the notice of the election is on or before 2nd May 2019.

Amendment of Schedule 1 to the 2007 Regulations

5.—(1) Schedule 1 to the 2007 Regulations (Mayoral Elections Rules) is amended as follows.

(2) In rule 6 (nomination of candidates)—

(a) in paragraph (3)—

(i) at the end of sub-paragraph (a), insert "and", and

(ii) omit sub-paragraph (b) and the "and" at the end of that sub-paragraph;

(b) after paragraph (5), insert—

"(6) The nomination paper must be accompanied by a form (in these Rules referred to as the "home address form") which states—

(a) the candidate's—

(i) full names,

(ii) home address in full, and

(iii) qualifying address or, if the candidate declares they are qualified by more than one of the qualifications mentioned in paragraph (9), qualifying addresses;

(b) the attesting person's—

(i) full names, and

(ii) home address in full.

Provision in paragraph (2) about delivery of the nomination paper applies also to the home address form.

(7) The home address form—

(a) may contain a statement made and signed by the candidate that the candidate requires their home address not to be made public, and

(b) if it does so, must—

(i) if that address is in the United Kingdom, state the relevant area;

(ii) if that address is outside the United Kingdom, state the country within which it is situated.

(8) The home address form must also state, in relation to each qualifying address, which of the qualifications mentioned in paragraph (9) that address relates to.

(9) In this rule, "qualifying address", in relation to a candidate, means—

(a) if the candidate declares in their consent to nomination that they are qualified to be elected as mayor by virtue of being registered as a local government elector at a particular address, that address;

(b) if the candidate declares in that consent that they are qualified to be elected as mayor by virtue of owning or occupying land or other premises in a particular area, a description and the address of that land or those premises;

(c) if the candidate declares in that consent that they are qualified to be elected as mayor by virtue of their principal or only place of work being in a particular area, the address in full of that place of work;

(d) if the candidate declares in that consent that they are qualified to be elected as mayor by virtue of residing in a particular area, the address, or addresses, in full at which the candidate has so resided.

(10) In this rule—

"attesting person", in relation to a candidate, means the person who attests the candidate's consent to nomination in accordance with rule 9(c);

"relevant area"—

(a) in relation to a home address which is in England, means—

(i) if it is within a district for which there is a district council, that district;

(ii) if it is within a county in which there are no districts with councils, that county;

(iii) if it is within a London borough, that London borough;

(iv) if it is within the City of London (including the Inner and Middle Temples), the City of London;

(v) if it is in the Isles of Scilly, the Isles of Scilly;

(b) in relation to a home address which is in Wales, means—

(i) if it is within a county, that county;

(ii) if it is within a county borough, that county borough;

(c) in relation to a home address in Scotland, means the local government area in which it is situated;

(d) in relation to a home address in Northern Ireland, means the local government district in which it is situated."

(3) In rule 9 (consent to nomination), in paragraph (b)(i), omit ", section 78A of the Local Government Act 2000".

(4) In rule 11 (decisions as to validity of nomination papers)—

(a) in the heading, after "papers", insert "and home address forms";

(b) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in the opening words, after "nomination", in the second place it appears, insert "and home address form", and

(ii) after sub-paragraph (a), insert—

"(aa) the returning officer decides that the candidate's home address form—

(i) does not comply with the requirements of rule 6(6) or (8), or

(ii) if the form contains a statement under rule 6(7)(a), does not comply with the signature requirement in that rule or the requirements of rule 6(7)(b), or";

(c) in paragraph (3)—

(i) for "nomination paper has" substitute "nomination paper and home address form have", and

(ii) for "it" substitute "them";

(d) in paragraph (6), for "nomination paper", in the second place it appears, substitute "home address form".

(5) In rule 12 (publication of statement of persons nominated)—

(a) in paragraph (2), after "nomination papers", insert " and home address forms";

(b) after paragraph (6), insert—

"(6A) In relation to a nominated person whose home address form (or, if the person is nominated by more than one nomination paper, any of the home address forms) contains—

(a) the statement mentioned in rule 6(7)(a), and

(b) the information mentioned in rule 6(7)(b),

the reference in paragraph (2) to the person's address is to be read as a reference to the information mentioned in rule 6(7)(b).";

(c) after paragraph (7), insert—

"(8) Where—

(a) two or more of the names shown on the statement are the same or so similar it is likely to cause confusion,

(b) paragraph (6A) applies in relation to each of the persons in question, and

(c) the information mentioned in rule 6(7)(b) is the same for both of them,

the returning officer may cause any of their particulars to be shown on the statement with such amendments or additions as the officer thinks appropriate to reduce the likelihood of confusion.

(9) Where it is practicable to do so before the publication of the statement, the returning officer must consult any person whose particulars are to be amended or added to under paragraph (8).

(10) The returning officer must give notice in writing to any person whose particulars are amended or added to under paragraph (8).

(11) Anything done by a returning officer in pursuance of paragraph (8) must not be questioned in proceedings other than proceedings on an election petition.

(12) A returning officer must have regard to any guidance issued by the Electoral Commission for the purposes of paragraph (8)."

(6) After rule 13, insert—

"**Inspection of home address forms**

13A.—(1) During ordinary office hours on any day, other than a day specified in rule 4(1), after the latest time for delivery of nomination papers and before the date of the poll, a specified person may inspect the home address forms.

(2) The specified persons are—

(a) any person standing nominated as a candidate in the same electoral area, or

(b) the election agent, proposer or seconder of such a person.

(3) But where a candidate acts as their own election agent, the candidate may nominate another person who shall be entitled to inspect the forms.

(4) Where a person stands nominated by more than one nomination paper, only the persons subscribing as proposer and seconder—

(a) to such one of those papers as the candidate may select, or

(b) in default of such a selection, to that one of those papers which is first delivered in accordance with rule 6(2),

are entitled to inspect the forms as the candidate's proposer and seconder.

(5) Nothing in this rule permits any person to take a copy of, or extracts from, any home address forms.

(6) The returning officer must not permit a home address form to be inspected otherwise than in accordance with this rule, or for some other purpose authorised by law."

(7) In rule 14 (correction of minor errors)—

(a) in paragraph (1), after "paper", insert "or home address form";

(b) in paragraph (2), after sub-paragraph (b), insert—

"(c) errors as to the information mentioned in rule 6(7)(b)."

(8) After rule 59, insert—

"**Destruction of home address forms**

59A.—(1) The returning officer must destroy each candidate's home address form—

(a) on the next working day following the 35th day after the officer returns the name of the mayor elected, or

(b) if an election petition questioning the election or return is presented before that day, on the next working day following the conclusion of proceedings on the petition or on appeal from such proceedings.

(2) In this rule, "working day" means a day other than—

(a) a Saturday or Sunday,

(b) Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a bank holiday, or

(c) a day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), "bank holiday" has the meaning given in rule 4(2)."

(9) In the Appendix of forms—

(a) for "Form 1" (nomination paper) substitute the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 1 to these Regulations;

(b) for "Form 2" (candidate's consent to nomination) substitute the form set out in Part 2 of that Schedule;

(c) for "Form 3" (ballot paper (two candidates)) substitute the form (including the directions as to printing) set out in Part 3 of that Schedule;

(d) for "Form 4" (ballot paper (three or more candidates)) substitute the form (including the directions as to printing) set out in Part 4 of that Schedule.

Amendment of Schedule 3 to the 2007 Regulations

6.—(1) Schedule 3 to the 2007 Regulations (Mayoral Elections (Combination of Polls) Rules) is amended as follows.

(2) In rule 6 (nomination of candidates)—

(a) in paragraph (3)—

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(d) for "Form 4" (ballot paper (three or more candidates)) (including the directions as to printing), substitute the form set out in Part 4 of that Schedule.

Amendment of Schedule 4 to the 2007 Regulations

7. In Schedule 4 to the 2007 Regulations (free delivery of election addresses), in paragraph 3, after sub-paragraph (6), insert—

"(7) Where a candidate's home address has been withheld in accordance with rule 6(7) of Schedule 1 or Schedule 3 to these Regulations, the reference to the address of the candidate in sub-paragraph (6)(c) is to be read as a reference to the information mentioned in rule 6(7)(b)."

Name
[Title]

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 5

The Mayoral Elections Rules: New Forms

PART 1

Form of nomination paper

Form to be substituted for "Form 1" (nomination paper) in the Appendix of Forms in Schedule 1 to the 2007 Regulations—

Form 1

Form of Nomination paper
(for use at local authority mayoral elections)

Office Use Only

Date delivered	Time delivered	Initials

ELECTION OF MAYOR for the ……

*county/district/London borough of……

**Delete whichever is inappropriate*

Date of election……

We, the undersigned, being local government electors for the said (electoral area), do hereby nominate the person whose name appears below as a candidate at the Mayoral election.

Candidate's surname	**Other forenames in full**	**Commonly used surname (if any)**	**Commonly used forenames (if any)**	**Description (if any) use no more than six words**

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Other

Signature	Print Name	Electoral Number	
		Polling District	Number
Proposer……	……	……	……
Seconder……	……	……	……
We, the undersigned, being local government electors for the said (electoral area), do hereby assent to the foregoing nomination.			
Signature 1. ……	……	……	……
2. ……	……	……	……
3. ……	……	……	……

4. ……	……	……	……
5. ……	……	……	……
6. ……	……	……	……
7. ……	……	……	……
8. ……	……	……	……
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……	……	……	……
26. ……	……	……	……
27. ……	……	……	……
28. ……	……	……	……

NOTES

1. The attention of candidates and electors is drawn to the rules for filling up nomination papers and other provisions relating to nomination papers contained in the elections rules in Schedule 1 to the Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007.

2. Where a candidate is commonly known by some title they may be described by their title as if it were their surname.

3. Where a candidate commonly uses a name which is different from any other name they have, the commonly used name may also appear on the nomination paper, but if it does so, the commonly used name (instead of any other name) will appear on the ballot paper.

4. But the ballot paper will show the other name if the returning officer thinks

(a) that the use of the commonly used name may be likely to mislead or confuse electors, or
(b) that the commonly used name is obscene or offensive.

5. The description, if any, can only be
(a) one certified as an authorised or registered description as mentioned in Rule 7 of the election rules, or
(b) the word "Independent".

6. In this form "elector"
(a) means a person whose name is registered in the register of local government electors for the electoral area in question on the last day for the publication of notice of election; and
(b) includes a person then shown in the register as below voting age if (but only if) it appears from the register that he will be of voting age on the day fixed for the poll.

7. However, a person who has an anonymous entry in the register of local government electors cannot nominate a candidate for election.

PART 2

Candidate's consent to nomination

Form to be substituted for "Form 2" (consent to nomination) in the Appendix of Forms in Schedule 1 to the 2007 Regulations—

Form 2

Form of Candidate's consent to Nomination

(for use at local authority mayoral elections)

Front of form

Date of election……..

I *(name in full)……..*

hereby consent to my nomination as a candidate for election as the elected mayor for the *county/district/London borough of ……

**Delete whichever is inappropriate*

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 government elector for the area of the *county/district/London borough named above; or

(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 principal or only place of work during those 12 months has been in that *county/district/London borough; or

*(d) I have during the whole of those 12 months resided in the area named above.

**Delete whichever is inappropriate.*

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, section 80 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.

Date of birth ……
Signature ……
Date of consent ……

Signed in my presence
Signature of witness……
Name of witness ……

(WRITE CLEARLY)

Notes

1. A candidate who is qualified by more than one qualification may complete any of those which may apply.

Back of form

Set out sections 80 and 81 of the Local Government Act 1972, *(as amended from time to time)* and section 34 of the Localism Act 2011.

PART 3

Ballot paper (two candidates)

Form to be substituted for "Form 3" (ballot paper (two candidates)) (including the printing directions) in the Appendix of Forms in Schedule 1 to the 2007 Regulations—

Front of ballot paper

Election of the Mayor for *(insert name of authority)*

Vote ✘ for **one** candidate only

BASWRA, Paresh 2 The Cottages, Anytown XY8 9JG Cream Party	Cream Party emblem	
CRANLEY, Alana (address in [*relevant area*]) Purple Party	Purple Party emblem	

Back of ballot paper

Number

Other unique identifying mark

Election of the Mayor for [*insert name of authority*]

on ..... 20....

Directions as to printing the ballot paper

1. Nothing is to be printed on the ballot paper except in accordance with these directions.

2. So far as is practicable, the arrangements set out in paragraphs 3 to 5 must be observed in the printing of the ballot paper

3. No word may be printed on the face except:
    a. the heading "Election of the Mayor for……."
    b. within that heading, the name of the local authority
    c. the direction "Vote [X] for one candidate only"
    d. the particulars of the candidates and words forming part of the emblems mentioned at paragraphs 6 and 7 below.

4. No rule may be printed on the face except:
    a. as part of a box around the directions mentioned in paragraph 3b
    b. the horizontal rule separating the direction mentioned in paragraph 3b from the particulars of the candidates
    c. the horizontal rules separating the particulars of the candidates from one another
    d. a final horizontal rule at the foot of the ballot paper
    e. as part of the boxes on the right-hand side of the ballot paper where the vote is to be marked.

5. The space between the horizontal rules mentioned in paragraphs 4b and 4d is to be equally divided between each of the candidates by the horizontal rules mentioned in paragraph 4c.

6. The surname of each candidate is to be printed in large bold capitals, with their forename(s) and other particulars set out in ordinary type, except that small capitals are to be used:
    a. if the surname is the same as another candidate's, for their forename(s)
    b. if the forename(s) are also the same as the other candidate's, either for their home address or relevant area, or for their description, unless each of them is the same as that of another candidate with the same surname and forename(s).

7. Where an emblem is to be printed against a candidate's particulars:
    a. it is to be printed along the horizontal rule to the right of the candidate's particulars and to the left of the box where the vote is to be marked
    b. its size as printed must not exceed two centimeters square.

8. The number and other unique identifying mark must be printed on the back of the ballot paper.

PART 4

Ballot papers (three or more candidates)

Form to be substituted for "Form 4" (ballot paper (three or more candidates)) (including the printing directions) in the Appendix of Forms in Schedule 1 to the 2007 Regulations—

Front of ballot paper

Election of the Mayor for *(insert name of authority)*

Vote once ✘ in column 1 for your first choice, and
Vote once ✘ in column 2 for your second choice

	Column 1 first choice	Column 2 second choice
BASWRA, Paresh 2 The Cottages, Anytown XY8 9JG Liberal Democrat		
CRANLEY, Alana 4 The Walk, Anytown XY9 5JJ Green Party		
EDGBASTON, Richard (address in [*relevant area*]) Common Good		
GUNNIL-WALKER, Roger 33 The Lane, Anytown XY6 3GD Labour Party		
SMITH, CATHERINE ANGELINA 21 The Grove, Anytown XY2 5JP Independent		
SMITH, KEITH JAMES 3 The Road, Anytown XY3 4JN Conservative Party		
ZANUCK, George Henry 17 The Parade, Anytown XY9 5KP United Kingdom Independence Party		

Back of ballot paper

Number

Other unique identifying mark

Election of the Mayor for *[insert name of authority]*

on..... 20....

Directions as to printing the ballot paper

1. Nothing is to be printed on the ballot paper except in accordance with these directions.

2. So far as is practicable, the arrangements set out in paragraphs 3 to 6 must be observed in the printing of the ballot paper

3. No word may be printed on the face except:
    a. the heading "Election of the Mayor for……"
    b. within that heading, the name of the local authority
    c. the direction "Vote [X] in column 1 for your first choice, and Vote once [X] in column 2 for your second choice"
    d. the indicators "Column 1 first choice" and "Column 2 second choice"
    e. the particulars of the candidates and words forming part of the emblems mentioned at paragraphs 7 and 8 below.

4. No rule may be printed on the face except:
    a. as part of a box around the direction mentioned in paragraph 3b
    b. the horizontal rule separating the direction mentioned in paragraph 3b from the particulars of the candidates
    c. the horizontal rules separating the particulars of the candidates from one another
    d. a final horizontal rule at the foot of the ballot paper
    e. as part of the boxes in column 1 and column 2 on the right-hand side of the ballot paper where the vote is to be marked.

5. The space between the horizontal mentioned in paragraphs 4b and 4d is to be equally divided between each of the candidates by the horizontal rules mentioned in paragraph 4c.

6. The boxes in columns 1 and 2 mentioned in paragraph 4e must each be bordered by a shaded area no more than 0.4 cm thick at the outside edge. Each shaded area must include an embedded arrow pointing downwards from the top of the column underneath the indicators mentioned at paragraph 3c and above the top boxes referred to in paragraph 4e.

7. The surname of each candidate is to be printed in large bold capitals, with their forename(s) and other particulars set out in ordinary type, except that small capitals are to be used:
    a. if the surname is the same as another candidate's, for their forename(s)
    b. if the forename(s) are also the same as the other candidate's, either for their home address or relevant area, or for their description, unless each of them is the same as that of another candidate with the same surname and forename(s).

8. Where an emblem is to be printed against a candidate's particulars:
    a. it is to be printed along the horizontal rule to the right of the candidate's particulars and to the left of the box in column 1
    b. its size as printed must not exceed two centimeters square.

9. The number and other unique identifying mark must be printed on the back of the ballot paper.

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 6

The Mayoral Elections (Combination of Polls) Rules: New Forms

PART 1

Form of nomination paper

Form to be substituted for "Form 1" (nomination paper) in the Appendix of Forms in Schedule 3 to the 2007 Regulations—

Form 1

Form of Nomination paper
(for use at local authority mayoral elections)

Office Use Only

Date delivered	Time delivered	Initials

ELECTION OF MAYOR for the ……

*county/district/London borough of……

**Delete whichever is inappropriate*

Date of election……

We, the undersigned, being local government electors for the said (electoral area), do hereby nominate the person whose name appears below as a candidate at the Mayoral election.

Candidate's surname	**Other forenames in full**	**Commonly used surname (if any)**	**Commonly used forenames (if any)**	**Description (if any) use no more than six words**

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Other

Signature	Print Name	Electoral Number	
		Polling District	Number
Proposer……	……	……	……
Seconder……	……	……	……
We, the undersigned, being local government electors for the said (electoral area), do hereby assent to the foregoing nomination.			
Signature 1. ……	……	……	……
2. ……	……	……	……
3. ……	……	……	……

4. ……	……	……	……
5. ……	……	……	……
6. ……	……	……	……
7. ……	……	……	……
8. ……	……	……	……
……	……	……	……
……	……	……	……
26. ……	……	……	……
27. ……	……	……	……
28. ……	……	……	……

NOTES

1. The attention of candidates and electors is drawn to the rules for filling up nomination papers and other provisions relating to nomination papers contained in the elections rules in Schedule 3 to the Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007.

2. Where a candidate is commonly known by some title they may be described by their title as if it were their surname.

3. Where a candidate commonly uses a name which is different from any other name they have, the commonly used name may also appear on the nomination paper, but if it does so, the commonly used name (instead of any other name) will appear on the ballot paper.

4. But the ballot paper will show the other name if the returning officer thinks

(a) that the use of the commonly used name may be likely to mislead or confuse electors, or
(b) that the commonly used name is obscene or offensive.

5. The description, if any, can only be
(a) one certified as an authorised or registered description as mentioned in Rule 7 of the election rules, or
(b) the word "Independent".

6. In this form "elector"
(a) means a person whose name is registered in the register of local government electors for the electoral area in question on the last day for the publication of notice of election; and
(b) includes a person then shown in the register as below voting age if (but only if) it appears from the register that he will be of voting age on the day fixed for the poll.

7. However, a person who has an anonymous entry in the register of local government electors cannot nominate a candidate for election.

PART 2

Candidate's consent to nomination

Form to be substituted for "Form 2" (consent to nomination) in the Appendix of Forms in Schedule 3 to the 2007 Regulations—

Form 2

Form of Candidate's consent to Nomination

(for use at local authority mayoral elections)

Front of form

Date of election……..

I *(name in full)……..*

hereby consent to my nomination as a candidate for election as the elected mayor for the *county/district/London borough of ……

**Delete whichever is inappropriate*

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 government elector for the area of the *county/district/London borough named above; or

(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 principal or only place of work during those 12 months has been in that *county/district/London borough; or

*(d) I have during the whole of those 12 months resided in the area named above.

**Delete whichever is inappropriate.*

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, section 80 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.

Date of birth ……
Signature ……
Date of consent ……

Signed in my presence
Signature of witness……
Name of witness ……

(WRITE CLEARLY)

Notes

1. A candidate who is qualified by more than one qualification may complete any of those which may apply.

Back of form

Set out sections 80 and 81 of the Local Government Act 1972, *(as amended from time to time)* and section 34 of the Localism Act 2011.

PART 3

Ballot paper (two candidates)

Form to be substituted for "Form 3" (ballot paper (two candidates)) (including the printing directions) in the Appendix of Forms in Schedule 3 to the 2007 Regulations—

Front of ballot paper

Election of the Mayor for *(insert name of authority)*

Vote ✘ for **one** candidate only

BASWRA, Paresh 2 The Cottages, Anytown XY8 9JG Cream Party	Cream Party emblem	
CRANLEY, Alana (address in [*relevant area*]) Purple Party	Purple Party emblem	

Back of ballot paper

Number

Other unique identifying mark

Election of the Mayor for [*insert name of authority*]

on ..... 20....

Directions as to printing the ballot paper

1. Nothing is to be printed on the ballot paper except in accordance with these directions.

2. So far as is practicable, the arrangements set out in paragraphs 3 to 5 must be observed in the printing of the ballot paper

3. No word may be printed on the face except:
    a. the heading "Election of the Mayor for……."
    b. within that heading, the name of the local authority
    c. the direction "Vote [X] for one candidate only"
    d. the particulars of the candidates and words forming part of the emblems mentioned at paragraphs 6 and 7 below.

4. No rule may be printed on the face except:
    a. as part of a box around the directions mentioned in paragraph 3b
    b. the horizontal rule separating the direction mentioned in paragraph 3b from the particulars of the candidates
    c. the horizontal rules separating the particulars of the candidates from one another
    d. a final horizontal rule at the foot of the ballot paper
    e. as part of the boxes on the right-hand side of the ballot paper where the vote is to be marked.

5. The space between the horizontal rules mentioned in paragraphs 4b and 4d is to be equally divided between each of the candidates by the horizontal rules mentioned in paragraph 4c.

6. The surname of each candidate is to be printed in large bold capitals, with their forename(s) and other particulars set out in ordinary type, except that small capitals are to be used:
    a. if the surname is the same as another candidate's, for their forename(s)
    b. if the forename(s) are also the same as the other candidate's, either for their home address or relevant area, or for their description, unless each of them is the same as that of another candidate with the same surname and forename(s).

7. Where an emblem is to be printed against a candidate's particulars:
    a. it is to be printed along the horizontal rule to the right of the candidate's particulars and to the left of the box where the vote is to be marked
    b. its size as printed must not exceed two centimeters square.

8. The number and other unique identifying mark must be printed on the back of the ballot paper.

PART 4

Ballot paper (three or more candidates)

Form to be substituted for "Form 4" (ballot paper (three or more candidates)) (including the printing directions) in the Appendix of Forms in Schedule 3 to the 2007 Regulations—

Front of ballot paper

Election of the Mayor for *(insert name of authority)*

Vote once ✘ in column 1 for your first choice, and
Vote once ✘ in column 2 for your second choice

	Column 1 first choice	Column 2 second choice
BASWRA, Paresh 2 The Cottages, Anytown XY8 9JG Liberal Democrat		
CRANLEY, Alana 4 The Walk, Anytown XY9 5JJ Green Party		
EDGBASTON, Richard (address in [*relevant area*]) Common Good		
GUNNIL-WALKER, Roger 33 The Lane, Anytown XY6 3GD Labour Party		
SMITH, CATHERINE ANGELINA 21 The Grove, Anytown XY2 5JP Independent		
SMITH, KEITH JAMES 3 The Road, Anytown XY3 4JN Conservative Party		
ZANUCK, George Henry 17 The Parade, Anytown XY9 5KP United Kingdom Independence Party		

Back of ballot paper

Number

Other unique identifying mark

Election of the Mayor for *[insert name of authority]*

on..... 20....

Directions as to printing the ballot paper

1. Nothing is to be printed on the ballot paper except in accordance with these directions.

2. So far as is practicable, the arrangements set out in paragraphs 3 to 6 must be observed in the printing of the ballot paper

3. No word may be printed on the face except:
    a. the heading "Election of the Mayor for……"
    b. within that heading, the name of the local authority
    c. the direction "Vote [X] in column 1 for your first choice, and Vote once [X] in column 2 for your second choice"
    d. the indicators "Column 1 first choice" and "Column 2 second choice"
    e. the particulars of the candidates and words forming part of the emblems mentioned at paragraphs 7 and 8 below.

4. No rule may be printed on the face except:
    a. as part of a box around the direction mentioned in paragraph 3b
    b. the horizontal rule separating the direction mentioned in paragraph 3b from the particulars of the candidates
    c. the horizontal rules separating the particulars of the candidates from one another
    d. a final horizontal rule at the foot of the ballot paper
    e. as part of the boxes in column 1 and column 2 on the right-hand side of the ballot paper where the vote is to be marked.

5. The space between the horizontal mentioned in paragraphs 4b and 4d is to be equally divided between each of the candidates by the horizontal rules mentioned in paragraph 4c.

6. The boxes in columns 1 and 2 mentioned in paragraph 4e must each be bordered by a shaded area no more than 0.4 cm thick at the outside edge. Each shaded area must include an embedded arrow pointing downwards from the top of the column underneath the indicators mentioned at paragraph 3c and above the top boxes referred to in paragraph 4e.

7. The surname of each candidate is to be printed in large bold capitals, with their forename(s) and other particulars set out in ordinary type, except that small capitals are to be used:
    a. if the surname is the same as another candidate's, for their forename(s)
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8. Where an emblem is to be printed against a candidate's particulars:
    a. it is to be printed along the horizontal rule to the right of the candidate's particulars and to the left of the box in column 1
    b. its size as printed must not exceed two centimeters square.

9. The number and other unique identifying mark must be printed on the back of the ballot paper.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/1024) ("the 2007 Regulations"). The amendments made by these Regulations apply only in relation to mayoral elections taking place in England. The amendments made by these Regulations will apply in relation to mayoral elections in respect of which the date of the poll stated in the notice of the election is after 2nd May 2019.

Rule 6 of the Mayoral Election Rules found in Schedule 1 to the 2007 Regulations ("the MERs") requires candidates at a local authority mayoral election in England to be nominated by completing a nomination paper. That paper must include the candidate's home address. That home address will then be published both in the statement of persons who have been nominated to stand at the election and also the ballot paper for the election.

Candidates are also required to supply a consent to nomination form (rule 9 of the MERs). Candidates must state on this form the address by virtue of which they are qualified to stand for election.

These Regulations amend the MERs in future for such elections, a candidate's home address and qualifying address will be stated on a new form. This new form will be known as the "home address form" (see new rule 6(6) of the MERs (as inserted by regulation 4(2)(b)) and new Forms 1 and 2). The information to be included in the new form is set out in the MERs, as amended.

A candidate may state on the home address form that they do not want their home address to be made public. If a candidate does so, their home address form must instead state the area in which their address is situated (see new rule 6(7) and (10) of the MERs). In such cases, it is that area, not the candidate's home address, that will appear in the statement of persons nominated and the ballot paper (see new rule 12(6A) and new Forms 3 and 4 of the MERs).

The home address form will also include the home address of the person who witnesses the candidate's consent to nomination.

Specific provision is made about the inspection of the home address form (see new rule 13A of the MERs (as inserted by regulation 4(5)).

Corresponding amendments are made to the Mayoral Election (Combination of Polls) Rules found in Schedule 3 to the 2007 Regulations (see regulation 5).

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