



# **Elections 2024**

### **Aim**

To focus on key points to consider to ensure efficient and effective organisation of scheduled elections in May 2024.

# **Objectives**

- 1. Define the legal requirements that govern election administration and the duties of the different types of Returning Officer.
- 2. Outline the framework governing both by-elections and scheduled polls, including timetables, nominations, poll cards and absent votes.
- 3. Consider aspects including polling day organisation, the count(s) and post-election procedures.
- 4. Explore good practice relating to all aspects of election management.

### Who is this course for?

This course is designed for experienced administrators who want to refresh their knowledge and exchange good practice. It is also suitable for inexperienced staff, including managers, who would benefit from a good overview of election organisation.

# **Course overview**

You will cover all main election procedures in addition to any new or topical arrangements. The course provides guidance across all election elements, allowing new staff an overview and providing a refresher for experienced staff. It will help you to identify efficient and effective organisation and exchange good practice examples.

Note: this course will touch on the new requirements introduced by the Elections Act – that will be in place for May 2024. However, the new requirements are not the sole focus of this course, which covers delivery of the election as a whole.

The course will be delivered using a mixture of presentation material and reference to example documentation and official guidance.

Discussion will be encouraged to enable you to exchange knowledge, experience, and ideas.

You will be provided with a course pack prior to the course.

Each course runs from 10:00 until 16:00 with suitable breaks, including for lunch.

Dates and venues	
29 January 2024	Online – Microsoft Teams
18 March 2024	Online – Microsoft Teams
Cost	

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First delegate	AEA member – £250 (plus vat)
Subsequent delegates from the same authority*	AEA member - £125 (plus vat)
Non-member	Non-member – £312.50 (plus vat)

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## **Terms and conditions**

#### Cancellation

If you cannot attend, a substitute may attend in your place. Otherwise the following charges will apply:

- Less than two weeks before the event 100%.
- Less than four weeks before the event 60%
- More than four weeks before the event £20.

If for any reason a course is cancelled a full refund will be made. No payment for delegate costs that may have been incurred would be reimbursed.

#### **Non-Attendance**

Non attendees are liable for full payment of the event. This includes face-to-face and online training.

If attendees have any concerns regarding connectivity they can email <a href="mailto:training@aea-elections.co.uk">training@aea-elections.co.uk</a> to arrange a pre course test.

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<sup>\*</sup>If delegates from the same authority wish to attend this course on different dates/at different venues please indicate clearly on the booking form.