

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Election of Parish Councillors for the Parishes listed below

Parish	Number of Councillors to be elected
Barford St John and St Michael Parish Council	Seven
Bletchington Parish Council	Seven
Bloxham Parish Council	Twelve
Broughton Parish Council	Five
Charlton-on-Otmoor Parish Council	Seven
Deddington Parish Council	Fourteen
Duns Tew Parish Council	Seven
Epwell Parish Council	Five
Fencott and Murcott Parish Council	Five
Finnmere Parish Council	Seven
Fringford Parish Council	Seven
Hethe Parish Council	Seven
Horley Parish Council	Seven
Hornton Parish Council	Seven
Horton-Cum-Studley Parish Council	Five
Islip Parish Council	Seven
Kirtlington Parish Council	Seven
Merton Parish Council	Seven
Milcombe Parish Council	Seven
North Newington Parish Council	Five
Shenington with Alkerton Parish Council	Seven
Shipton-on-Cherwell and Thrupp Parish Council	Six
Shutford Parish Council	Seven
Sibford Ferris Parish Council	Five
Sibford Gower Parish Council	Five

Steeple Aston Parish Council	Seven
Stratton Audley Parish Council	Seven
Swalcliffe Parish Council	Seven
Tadmarton Parish Council	Six
Weston-on-the-Green Parish Council	Eight
Wroxton Parish Council	Seven

1. Nomination papers may be obtained by downloading and printing a copy from <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/guidance-candidates-and-agents-local-government-elections-england/nominations/completing-your-nomination-papers/nomination-form> , emailing election2026@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or by telephoning 01295 221534. Paper copies may be obtained from the Returning Officer at Cherwell District Council, 39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD, Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays) 9am – 5pm.
2. Nomination papers must be delivered in person to the Returning Officer at Cherwell District Council, 39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD on any day after the date of this notice, on Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays) 10am to 4pm but no later than 4pm on **Thursday 9 April 2026**. Appointments can be made by email or telephone – election2026@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or 01295 221534
3. If any election is contested the poll will take place on **Thursday 7 May 2026**.
4. Applications to register to vote must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by **midnight on Monday 20 April 2026**. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>
5. New applications, amendments or cancellations of existing postal votes, amendments or cancellations of proxy votes and amendments or cancellations of existing postal proxy votes arrangements must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Cherwell District Council, 39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD by **5pm on Tuesday 21 April 2026** if they are to be effective for this election. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote>
6. Applications for a Voter Authority Certificate or an Anonymous Elector's Document valid for this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by **5pm on Tuesday 28 April 2026**. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate>
7. New applications to vote by proxy at this election, except for emergencies, must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Cherwell District Council, 39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD by **5pm on Tuesday 28 April 2026**. Some applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-proxy-vote>.
8. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at 39 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5FD by **5pm on Thursday 7 May 2026**
9. For further information about elections and registering to vote, please visit www.cherwell.gov.uk/elections; or alternatively, telephone 01295 227001 and request the Elections Team.

Dated: Monday 30 March 2026

Gordon Stewart
Returning Officer