

ELECTION TIMETABLE

Below is a timeline of key election dates.

What's happening?	When is it happening?
Enrol to vote in this election	Any time until close of voting (12 April 2026)
Notice of Election issued	Monday 2 February 2026
Candidate information session – North-East Region	Tuesday 10 February 2026 at 6.30pm
Candidate information session – North-West Region	Tuesday 10 February 2026 at 7.30pm
Candidate information session – South-East Region	Wednesday 11 February 2026 at 6.30pm
Candidate information session – South-West Region	Wednesday 11 February 2026 at 7.30pm
Candidate information session – Metro-Region	Thursday 12 February 2026 at 6.30pm
The Council to publish candidate support information	Friday 13 February 2026
Candidate nominations open	Monday 16 February 2026 at 9.00am
Candidate campaign materials support opens	Tuesday 17 February 2026 at 9.00am
Candidate information session – alternate session for candidates from any region	Thursday 26 February 2026 at 7.00pm
Candidate nominations close	Monday 2 March 2026 at 5.00pm
Candidate statements due to be submitted and uploaded to website	Thursday 5 March 2026
Announcement and publication of candidates	Monday 9 March 2026 at 5.00pm
Ballot draw (online) for all regions	Tuesday 10 March 2026 from 11.00am
Meet the candidate events	10, 11, 12 March 2026

What's happening?	When is it happening?
Voting opening day	Saturday 21 March 2026 at 8.00am (online votes open)
First day of in-person polling	Saturday 21 March 2026
Last day to request a postal vote	Saturday 28 March 2026
Candidate campaign materials support closes	Friday 3 April 2026 at 5.00pm
Last day of in-person polling	Saturday 11 April 2026
Voting Closing (all voting closes) and postal votes to be sent	Sunday 12 April 2026 at 6:00pm
Scrutineer Training Session 1 (online)	Tuesday 14 April 2026 at 7.00pm
Scrutineer Training Session 2 (online)	Thursday 16 April 2026 at 7.00pm
Postal votes must be received	Tuesday 21 April 2026 at 6.00pm
Votes counted	Wednesday 22 April 2026
Candidates informed of results by transitional Electoral Officer	By Thursday 23 April 2026 at 5.00pm
Results announced by the transitional Electoral Officer	As soon as practicable after the votes have been counted (must be before 30 April 2026)

Details on times and locations will be available at TREATYELECTIONS.ORG