Parliamentary General Election  
and District By-Election  
CANDIDATE & AGENT EVENT  
WEDNESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 6PM  

Are you up for a challenge? How well do you know your community?  
Could you represent local people? What can you bring to democracy?  

A Parliamentary General Election will be held on Thursday 12 December 2019 to  
elect a Member of Parliament to represent the Dover Constituency. On the same  
date, if the vacancy is contested, there will be an election for one District Councillor  
to the Guston, Kingsdown and St Margaret’s-at-Cliffe District Ward.  

To become a candidate at the Parliamentary General Election you must:  
▪ be a British citizen, qualifying Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of the  
  Republic of Ireland  
▪ be at least 18 years of age  
▪ pay a £500 deposit  
▪ and you must not be disqualified from standing. The full range of  
  disqualifications is complex, and you should check the Electoral Commission  
  website for details before completing a nomination form.  

To become a candidate at the District by-election you must be:  
▪ a British citizen, qualifying Commonwealth citizen or European Union Citizen  
▪ at least 18 years of age.  

In addition to those two qualifications, you must also:  
▪ have an entry on the electoral register in the local authority area  
  and/or  
▪ have lived, worked or owned property in the local authority area for the whole  
  of the previous 12 months  

An event for prospective candidates will be held in the Council Chamber at the  
Council Offices in Whitfield on Wednesday 6 November 2019 at 6pm. It will  
cover how to complete the required paperwork for standing as a candidate at the  
elections due to be held on 12 December 2019. Nomination packs will be available  
for collection at the end of the presentation.  

To reserve a place at the event please email the Elections Team on  
elections@dover.gov.uk or call 01304 – 872344. Please note that space is  
limited due to the size of the venue so booking is advised.  

For any queries regarding electoral matters or to receive a nomination pack by post  
after the event please contact the Elections Team using the details above.  

Further information on standing as a candidate can be found on the Electoral  
Commission website – www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent