

Public Notice

**Local Government Act 2000
The Local Authorities (Referendums) (Petitions and Directions) (England)
Regulations 2000**

Publication of Verification Number

The Borough Council is required by the Local Government Act 2000 to publish the minimum number of signatures which would be needed to support a valid petition requiring the Council to hold a referendum on whether or not the local authority should change to a different form of governance.

The minimum number of signatures (equivalent to 5% of local government electors) is **3838**.

This number will be used to determine the validity of petitions submitted to the Borough Council before 1 April 2018. However, a new verification number will be published in February 2018 and if the new number is less than 3838, then the new number will apply from the date of that publication.

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