Whole council elections public consultation proposal

The Council is considering moving to all out elections. This means over the four-year term, elections would only be held in year one for all councillors at the same time.

If agreed at committee, the public consultation will be published on the Council's website following the May district elections and will run from 9am on Monday 9 May to 5pm on Friday 17 June.

E-mail invitations to respond to the consultation will be sent to:

- Tandridge district councillors.
- District parish councils.
- East Surrey MP.
- Surrey county councillors.
- Council officers.
- Business Improvement District managers / Lingfield Chamber of Commerce.

We will notify residents and businesses of the public consultation on our website, on all our digital channels (e-mail footer, e-newsletters, social media), through local media and our partners. Printed materials will be limited and budget dependent, this could include posters, leaflets, banners, paid print media advertising.

Names and postcodes will be captured on the online and paper form for residents and businesses.

The consultation will consider responses from outside the district, but more weight may be attributed to responses from the district.

We will encourage responses to be made using an online form on our website. Paper copies will however be available at:

- The Council offices reception in Oxted.
- Caterham, Oxted and Warlingham libraries.
- Caterham and Oxted Citizen Advice Bureau?

The results of the consultation will be reported back to the Lead Democratic Specialist to take to committee in June 2022.

Draft consultation online form

We are inviting residents and businesses in the district to give their thoughts on changing the district's election process.

Currently district elections take place by thirds, which means a third of the Council's councillors are elected each year. We are considering moving to all out elections, which means elections are held every four years for every councillor.

By responding to this consultation, you can have your say on the districts electoral process.

- 1. Are you currently one of the following:
- A district or county councillor
- A parish councillor
- East Surrey MP
- A council officer
 Yes / No [if no is ticked ask question 4, if yes ticked do not ask question 4]

2. Do you think Tandridge District Council should move to an all out electoral system. This means elections are held once every four years for every councillor?

Yes / No

3. Do you have any comments you would like us to consider when deciding whether or not to move to all out elections?

Comment box [] 250 characters

4. For residents and businesses

Title []
First name []
Last name []
Postcode []

Thank you for your submitting your response.

To keep up to date on this consultation and all the Council's news, why not sign up for our <u>free e-newsletters</u>.