

**FOI 219 2016**

**REQUEST AND RESPONSE**

Further to your request submitted on 15 April 2016, I can confirm the following in relation to the Clacton Constituency which falls wholly within the Tendring District and those polling districts of the Harwich and North Essex Constituency which are situated within the Tendring District. (Please note, these areas are “given away” to Colchester Borough Council during a UK Parliamentary Election).

- 1) Please confirm the number of electors for each Parliamentary franchise on the 1st December 2015 Register(s).

**Publication of the registers was deferred by the Electoral Registration Officer for the Tendring electoral area until 11 January 2016 due to 4 by-elections within the District during the annual canvass period. At the time of publication of the revised registers in mid-January, the number of Parliamentary electors in the Clacton Constituency totalled 68,077 and the number of Parliamentary electors in our area of the Harwich and North Essex Constituency totalled 40,561.**

- 2) Please confirm the number of additions and deletions to/from each Parliamentary franchise for the Electoral Register(s) in the month to the 1st January 2016.

**As per the above, the revised register was not published until 11 January 2016.**

- 3) Please confirm the number of additions and deletions to/from each Parliamentary franchise for the Electoral Register(s) in the month to the 2nd February 2016.

**Clacton Constituency - creations 184 and deletions 24**

**Harwich and North Essex Constituency – creations 80 and deletions 12**

- 4) Before your local authority commences a review of an entry on the Electoral Register please confirm if you a) commence a review as soon as you have any evidence to suggest an entry on the register is inaccurate;  
b) commence a review only when you have two sources of evidence to suggest an entry on the register is inaccurate.

**An electors' entry on the register is reviewed following receipt of one piece of evidence to indicate a review is required and then, only if we are unable to make a determination on the entry using permitted local sources.**

5) The 1st December 2015 Electoral Register had special significance as it was to be used by the Boundary Commission for the review of Parliamentary boundaries. Please can you advise on what dates you a) commenced and b) completed your review for this particular register.

**As stated in 1), the publication of the revised register was deferred until 11 January 2016 and the Boundary Commission were, of course, notified of this decision and the revised register supplied to them on publication, as required.**