

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Under sections 18A to 18E of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c.2), as amended by the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (c. 22), an authority is required to keep the designation of polling places and polling districts within its area under review. Schedule A1 of the 1983 Act, as inserted by the Electoral Administration Act, requires certain matters to be prescribed in regulations. These Regulations specify the manner in which representations made by a returning officer in connection with the review are to be published by a relevant authority and specify the information that a relevant authority must publish on the completion of a review. The term “relevant authority” is defined in section 18E of the 1983 Act as being in relation to England, the council of a district or London borough, in relation to Scotland, a local authority and in relation to Wales, the council of a county or county borough.