# Request 6673 – Elections, electoral register

1) the number of postal votes issued , broken down by ward  
(categorise overseas as one block)  
  
2) the number of postal votes received, broken down by ward  
2a) the postal vote turnout percentage calculated from 1) & 2)  
  
3) the number of received postal votes rejected  
  
4) whether the printing, posting and authentication of postal votes was done in house, or outsourced. If outsourced to which company  
  
5) the total number of deceased removed from the electoral roll from the time the ge2019 was announced till the election date  
12/12/2019 by constituency  
  
6) the total number of people who had moved, removed from the electoral roll from the time the ge2019 was announced till the  
election date 12/12/2019 by constituency  
  
7) the total number of complaints received by the councils electoral officer  
a) people who said they were registered to vote but were unable to vote as they were not listed on the voters roll at the polling station  
b) people who said their postal vote arrived too late, or not at all.

## Response

The Returning Officer is not subject to FOI in the same way that Local Authorities are, but notwithstanding that, I am happy to provide much of the information you have requested. See responses below:  
  
1) the number of postal votes issued , broken down by ward (categorise overseas as one block) - 13923 postal votes were issued in total. We don’t have this data broken down into wards.  
2) the number of postal votes received, broken down by ward - 12152   
2a) the postal vote turnout percentage calculated from 1) & 2) see above  
3) the number of received postal votes rejected – 167 (plus further 53 if you include those where only half the postal vote was returned)  
4) whether the printing, posting and authentication of postal votes was done in house, or outsourced. If outsourced to which company – Printing of postal votes was undertaken by a supplier, but all late issue pack printing and all posting and authentication was done in house  
5) the total number of deceased removed from the electoral roll from the time the ge2019 was announced till the election date 12/12/2019 by constituency – I'm afraid we are unable to easily report on this  
6) the total number of people who had moved, removed from the electoral roll from the time the ge2019 was announced till the election date 12/12/2019 by constituency: As above, we are unable to easily report on this  
7) the total number of complaints received by the councils electoral officer - Only 3 complaints were received  
a) people who said they were registered to vote but were unable to vote as they were not listed on the voters roll at the polling station – we don’t record this data but from memory it wasn’t more than a handful  
b) people who said their postal vote arrived too late, or not at all. – we do not keep a record of this, but they were very few