NOTICE OF ELECTION

Southend-on-Sea
Election of Councillors
for the Ward listed below

Ward	Number of Councillors to be elected
Leigh	One

1. Nomination papers must be delivered to the Returning Officer, Electoral Services, Southend-on-Sea City Council, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 9SB on any day after the date of this notice, on Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (excluding bank holidays) but no later than 4 pm on Friday, 13th November 2026. **Nomination papers must not be handed in at reception or left with reception staff.**

2. Nomination papers may be obtained from the offices of the Returning Officer, Southend-on-Sea City Council, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 9SB, during the times stated above.

3. If any election is contested the poll will take place on Thursday, 10th December 2026.

4. Applications to register to vote must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by 12 midnight on Tuesday 24 November 2026. Applications can be made online: **www.gov.uk/register-to-vote**

5. Applications, amendments or cancellations of postal votes and amendments or cancellations of proxy votes must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Southend-on-Sea City Council, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 9SB by 5 pm on Wednesday, 25th November 2026.

6. Applications for a Voter Authority Certificate or an Anonymous Elector's Document valid for this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by 5 pm on Wednesday, 2nd December 2026. Applications can be made online: **www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate**

7. New applications to vote by proxy at this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Southend-on-Sea City Council, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 9SB by 5 pm on Wednesday, 2nd December 2026.

8. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election on the grounds of physical incapacity or for work/service reasons must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Southend-on-Sea City Council, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 9SB by 5 pm on Thursday, 10th December 2026.The physical incapacity must have occurred after 5 pm on Wednesday, 2nd December 2026. To apply on the grounds of work/service, the person must have become aware that they cannot go to the polling station in person after 5 pm on Wednesday, 2nd December 2026.

Dated: Thursday 5 November 2026 Returning Officer

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