

Overview & Scrutiny

General Election May 2010

6 September 2010



The Election 'stakeholders'

- Voters
- Parties, Candidates and Agents
- Returning Officer and his staff
- Ministry of Justice
- Electoral Commission, the Police and the Courts



The Elections Team

- The Returning Officer – John Barradell
- Deputy Returning Officers – Valerie Pearce, Paul Holloway, Claire Wardle
- Electoral Services – 5
- Polling Staff - 440
- Count Staff - 220
- Postal vote and other clerical staff – 80
- Divisional and Organisational support



Planning and Preparation

- Project Plan
- Monitoring and Review
- Risk Assessment
- Budget and Resources

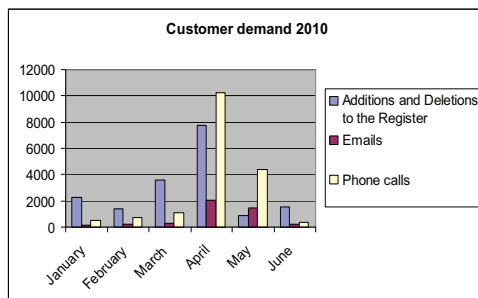


The Election Timetable

- Timing of the election not fixed
- 17 day statutory timetable
- 20 April 2010 – deadline for nominations, postal vote applications, and voter registration



Customer demand



Printing and delivery

- Poll Cards
- Ballot Papers
- Postal Votes
- Royal Mail



Polling Stations

- 145 polling stations
- Busy – but no queues
- Accessibility
- Polling station review 2011-12



The Count

- Length of the count
- Postal votes
- Mini-count organisation
- Health & Safety – staff



Feedback

- Turnout
- Customer Satisfaction
- Polling / count staff
- Candidates and Agents
- National issues



Looking forward

- More challenges
- Referendum on Alternative vote system
- More by elections and local referendums?
- Boundary changes
- Individual Voter Registration



Supporting documents

- Customer satisfaction survey
- Presiding Officer feedback
- Electoral Commission – Report on the Administration of the 2010 UK general election