



Electoral Registration Changes

July 2026
Presentation to Elected Members



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Electoral Reform Act 2022

Major reform of the electoral registration process

Together, these changes created the basis for Voter.ie - a national registration service.

01 Rolling Register

A simpler registration process for electors and local authorities.

02 Pre-registration opened

16 and 17 year olds can pre-register to vote.

03 Protected registration

Anonymous and no fixed abode registration.

04 Online applications

Ability to apply through an online registration process.

05 Stronger data requirements

PPSN, date of birth and related data improve register accuracy.

06 Single national system

A national system supports local authorities in fulfilling registration duties.

LGERS Project

The structure
to develop
Voter.ie as
the national
registration
system

PROGRAMME SETUP



Established mid 2021 to oversee delivery of the national electoral registration system.



The Department funds the project; the local authority sector funds the operational service from 2026.

DELIVERY MODEL



Voter.ie development

Identified as the platform for the national electoral registration system.



Delivery

Dublin City Council leads implementation with local authorities franchise teams.

Project Timelines

2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Ju n	Ju l	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Phase 1 Data Cleansing												
Phase 2 Data Cleansing												

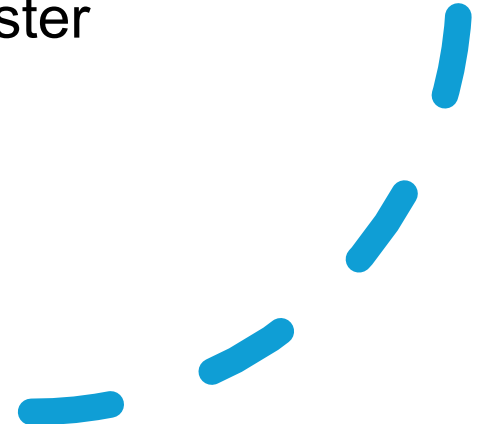
2026

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Phase 2 Data Cleansing												
Migrate Dublin LAs												
National Roll Out												
Training LA Staff												

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Data Quality & Standardisation Tasks

- Townlands, Polling Stations, Polling Districts and Electoral Divisions updated to include full English & Irish address
- Potential duplicate electors contacted to confirm registration details and appropriate action taken
- Deceased electors identified using the death events service from the General Register Office were removed



Roscommon Registration activity results at a glance

FY 2025 Data

116

polling places
updated

2,648

applications
received

1,455

new electors
added

1,133

electors
updated

2,253

electors removed
(774 deceased)

2,626

townlands
updated

52,885 Electorate

Registration activities

County Roscommon 2025 & 2026

Multi-channel voter
registration outreach

01 Fieldworkers

Fieldwork programme supporting registration updates county-wide.

02 Direct communications

Outbound contact verified and updated elector registration details.

03 Advertising campaign

Facebook, X, Instagram and print advertising raised awareness.

04 School registration days

Four school registration days across local post-primary schools.

05 Library information days

Information days in Castlerea, Ballaghaderreen and Roscommon libraries.

06 National registration day

Media campaign plus staff registration and information drive.



New National Electoral Registration System

Consistent national service delivery while preserving local register accountability.

01

Single national system

One national electoral registration system provides a common service foundation.

02

Local authority ownership

Local authorities remain responsible for maintaining their own electoral registers.

03

National system reporting

System performance and functionality are reported nationally to the Electoral Commission.

04

Regional register reporting

Local authorities continue to report regional register information to the Commission.

Changes for Electors

Elector service upgrade at a glance

1 New Voter.ie destination

Replaces www.checktheregister.ie with one clear registration service.

2 Real-time elector info

Customer-focused website provides current registration information.

3 Streamlined applications

Online process supports both MyGovID and PPSN authentication.

4 Document upload built in

Applicants can upload supporting evidence during the application process.

5 WCAG 2.2 accessibility

Accessible design follows the recognised standard for users of all abilities.

6 Official languages compliance

System design supports the Official Languages (Amendment) Act 2021.

CheckTheRegister.ie

checktheregister.ie

Logout

CheckTheRegister > Request Options

Welcome to check the register. Use this site to register to vote, or update your name and address online.

In order to vote you must be eligible and included on the electoral register for the area in which you live.
For more information on eligibility please go to the [FAQ page](#).

I'm already registered

Check your details

- If your name and address are correct on the register and you are eligible to vote at upcoming polls you will be able to do so
- If you have changed your name and/or address, complete the online application to update your details
- Add your PPSN and DOB to confirm your details and assist your local authority in the broader electoral register data quality project - [more information](#)

I'm not registered

Apply online to register

- You will need your PPSN and Eircode to use this site
- If you are 16 or 17 you can pre-register and your name will be added to the register when you turn 18

Forms for postal voting, special votes and other arrangements

Download a form

Choose this if you

- to register or update your details on a paper form (without PPSN)
- to update your citizenship
- to apply for a special or postal vote (conditions apply)
- want to apply to be an anonymous elector (conditions apply)
- if you need more information please see the [FAQ](#) section or [contact your local authority](#)

Third party updates

Third party request form

- If you know that there is an incorrect entry on the register, for example a family member who is deceased, you can let your local authority know by downloading and submitting this form

New platform: Voter.ie

Rialtas Áitiúil Éireann
Local Government Ireland

Voter.ie

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Home

 **Information**

This website is currently for Dublin, Kerry, Longford, Wexford and Wicklow only. Please use www.CheckTheRegister.ie for the rest of the country.

Welcome to Voter.ie

Use this site to register to vote, update your electoral details, or check your details online.

Forms for postal or special voting and other types of applications can be downloaded [here](#).

I want to check or update my record

Check the Register

Choose this if you...

- want to check if you're registered
- want to update your record

I am not registered

New registration

Choose this if you...

- have not registered before
- want to check if you can register

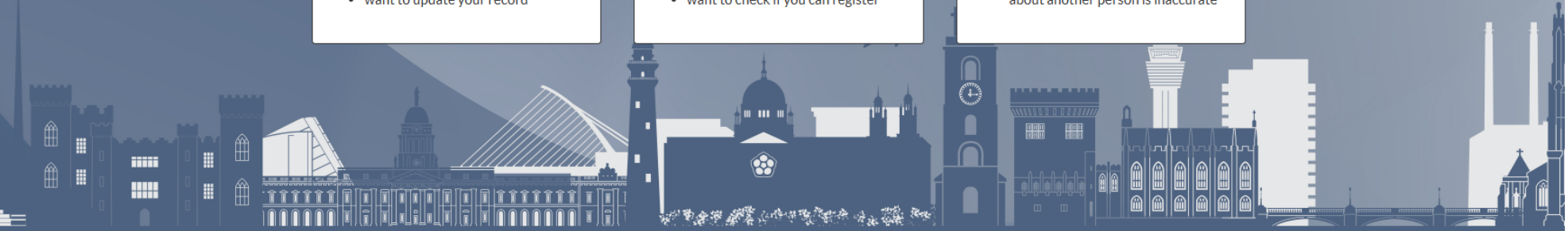
I want to report an error on the Register

Third party request

Choose this if you...

- believe that an entry in the Register about another person is inaccurate

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Changes for LA users

Faster case handling, stronger register quality, and easier movement between authorities.

01

Integrated back-office + portal

Online applications move through a single connected back-office and portal process.

02

Quality alerts for LA review

Potential duplicate records and deceased electors are flagged for local authority users.

03

Simplified inter-authority transfers

Change-of-address transfers between local authorities follow a clearer handover process.

Changes for Elected Members

QUALITY
STANDARDS

Accurate

+

Consistent

A more accurate, comprehensive register is supported by a consistent, standardised approach across local authorities.

CLEARER REGISTER OUTPUTS

Register of Electors

Sorted alphabetically by surname within townlands/address rather than by dwelling.

Canvassing Purposes

Sorted by dwelling order within townlands/address.

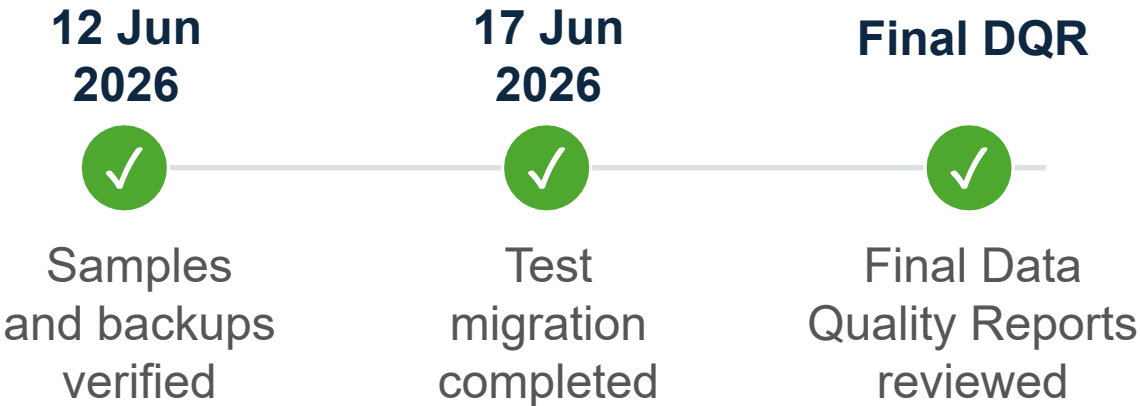


Migration Wave 3

Roscommon migration completed through two validation waves

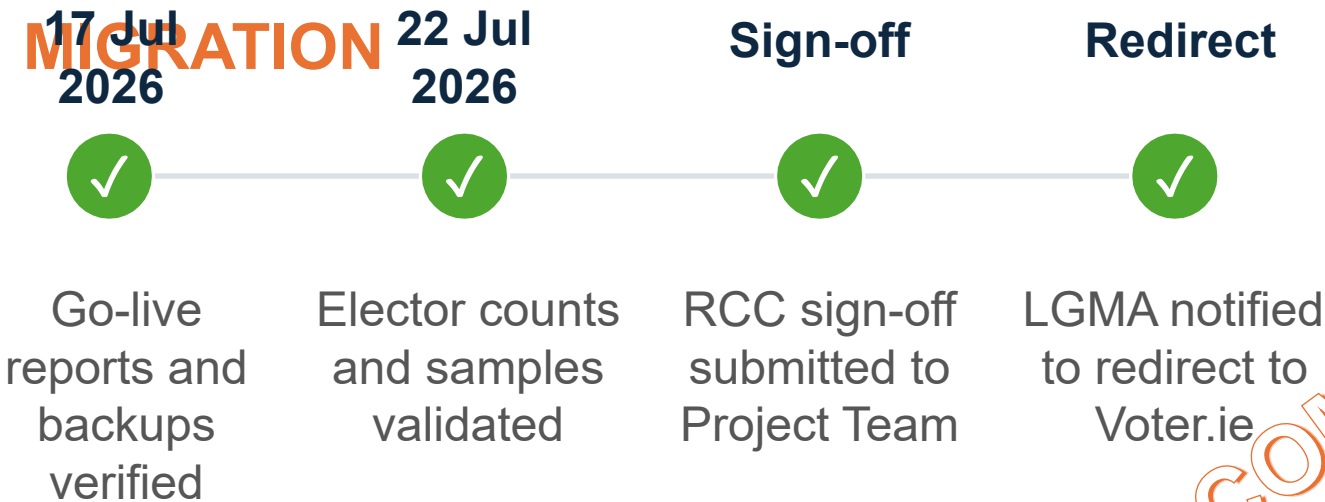
Success timeline

TEST MIGRATION



COMPLETE

GO LIVE MIGRATION



COMPLETE

Comms Toolkit

Digital, bilingual and community channels reinforce the same registration change.

CORE MESSAGE

CheckTheRegister.ie → Voter.ie



Summary & Next Steps

Migration to Voter.ie delivered Focus on continued registration support and public awareness

DELIVERED



Data cleansing

Major effort across
2025–26



Key stages met

Roscommon
delivered every
major milestone



Voter.ie live

Moved successfully
on 23 July 2026

CONTINUING ACTIVITY



Registration days

Schools and local venues
remain active registration
touchpoints



Field work continues

Household calls to verify
and maintain records



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