

Unpublished names on the electoral roll

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Introduction

This chapter outlines:

- the circumstances in which the Electoral Commission may direct a person's name and particulars not be published on electoral rolls or related documents that can be inspected by the public and
- procedures to be followed when:
 - a Police employee wants to apply to have their name not published
 - a member of the public seeks a statutory declaration supporting their application for names and particulars to not be published.

Directions for names not to be published

Section 115(1) of the Electoral Act 1993 allows the Electoral Commission to direct non-publication of the name and details of a person on the electoral rolls. The section provides that if the Electoral Commission is satisfied that the publication of a person's name would be prejudicial to the person's personal safety or their family's personal safety, the Electoral Commission may direct that the person's:

- name, residence and occupation not be published in any main or supplementary roll or in any list or index that may be available for inspection by the public
- name, particulars and the application for registration not be available for inspection.

Evidence to be produced to the Electoral Commission

The Electoral Commission may without further evidence or inquiry direct names and particulars not be published (as envisaged by s 115(1) of the Electoral Act 1993) on the production of:

- a protection order in force under the [Domestic Violence Act 1995](#) in respect of any person
- a restraining order in force under the [Harassment Act 1997](#) in respect of any person
- a statutory declaration from a Police constable to the effect that they believe the personal safety of a person or of a person's family could be prejudiced by the publication of that person's name.

Applications by Police employees

Police employees can apply to go onto the Unpublished Electoral Roll. Contact [Security Intelligence and Threats Group](#) (SITG) at the National Intelligence Centre ([NIC](#)), [PNHQ](#) for assistance.

Applications by member of the public

If a member of the public requests a statutory declaration from a Police constable supporting their application to have their name not published on electoral rolls and you believe the personal safety of the person or of the person's family could be prejudiced by the publication of the person's name, prepare the statutory declaration.

Statutory declaration

A statutory declaration must be in the form set out below and be declared before a person authorised to take a statutory declaration (refer section 9, [Oaths and Declarations Act 1957](#)). On completion, give the statutory declaration to the person making the application for non-publication of their details.

Download the 'Statutory declaration' made pursuant to section [115\(2\)](#) of the Electoral Act 1993.

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