



Public Policy Strategies

2015 General Election Timetable

Thursday 26 March	Live question and answer programme on Channel 4 and Sky News featuring David Cameron and Ed Miliband
Monday 30 March	The dissolution of parliament, the formal campaign period begins
Thursday 2 April	TV Debate with seven party leaders on ITV
Friday 3 April	Good Friday
Monday 6 April	Easter Bank Holiday
Thursday 9 April	Deadline for candidates to submit their nomination papers
Monday 13 April	Publication of the Labour Party manifesto (TBC)
Tuesday 14 April	Publication of the Conservative Party manifesto (TBC) Publication of the Liberal Democrat manifesto (TBC) Publication of the Green Party manifesto (TBC)
Wednesday 15 April	Publication of the UKIP manifesto (TBC) Publication of the SDLP manifesto (TBC)
Thursday 16 April	TV debate between five opposition party leaders on the BBC
Monday 20 April	Voter registration deadline
Tuesday 21 April	Deadline for applying for a postal vote
Tuesday 28 April	Deadline for proxy vote applications.
Thursday 30 March	BBC Question Time programme featuring David Cameron, Ed Miliband and Nick Clegg
Monday 4 May	Early May Bank Holiday
Thursday 7 May	Election Polling Day Polls open between 7am and 10pm. Casting of votes will begin when the polls close.
Friday 8 May	Counting continues
Monday 18 May	House of Commons reconvenes Re-election/election of a new Speaker of the House of Commons. Swearing-in of MPs over several days.
Wednesday 27 May	The State Opening of Parliament and the Queen's speech outlining the Government's legislative programme
Mid to late June	Emergency Budget Statement - TBC