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UK General Election 2017

Following this week's announcement by the Prime Minister and the vote in the House of Commons, IPSA will be providing advice and guidance to all MPs and their staff leading up to and during the dissolution and General Election periods. We will work closely with the House of Commons, as we did in 2015, to deliver an efficient General Election programme which notes the lessons learned and the experiences of departing, returning, and newly elected MPs.

We will issue dissolution guidance to all MPs and staff early next week alongside the House of Commons. This will help you to understand the rules that apply during the dissolution period. It will also explain what rules and entitlements will apply in the event that an MP loses office, is newly elected, or is returned to Parliament.

This, and all subsequent information, will be uploaded onto <u>a dedicated General Election section on</u> <u>our website</u> early next week. You will be able to check this General Election section regularly for updates, FAQs, and other useful information. You can also call our existing information line on 020 7811 6400. IPSA staff will be present with House of Commons staff during drop-in sessions in the PCH Atrium next week from Tuesday 25 April to Thursday 27 April at 12-2pm.

We will be in touch with all MPs and their staff again next week when the guidance has been uploaded and is ready to view.

We recognise that the coming weeks will be a very demanding time for you. We will endeavour to provide you with quick and relevant advice on the rules that apply, and to process claims and respond to queries as quickly as we can.

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