

Our donations policy

We use a version of the Electoral Commission rules for political parties, adapted for our different circumstances. The rules are available here.

This means we provide more detailed information about our funding sources than third sector bodies who only comply with general accounting requirements.

We follow the Electoral Commission's rules on permissible sources for donations: see here.

The exceptions to this are that:

we do not accept donations from political parties

we can accept donations from UK bodies with charitable status

we may accept donations from overseas sources, but subject to full reporting, as below.

In line with Electoral Commission <u>rules</u>, we will check permissibility for all donations of £500 and above and return those which do not comply.

We will name donors:

if they make donations totalling £7,500 or more in a single year*; or

if their donation exceeds £500 and they would be excluded from donating to a UK political party, by virtue of not being based in the UK or able to vote a UK election.

We will also report periodically on the total value of all donations received.

This policy is effective from 1 January 2023. It does not cover payments for any work done under contract or obtained as grants separately from general donations; we will declare any income from these sources separately.

*Our financial year runs from 1 April to 31 March.

This policy was updated on 20 February 2024 to clarify that we will name donors whose donations total £7,500 or more in a single year regardless of the size of individual donations and that our financial year runs from 1 April to 31 March.