

ELECTION COUNT EVENT – FRIDAY 6TH MAY 2022

FEEDBACK REPORT



Selby College's Jubilee Building hosted the count for the County Council and Parish elections on Friday 6th May 2022.

This is the third time the College has hosted the election count which is a prestigious event with local and regional significance. It enables us to contribute to the area and the democratic process, further developing the College's role as one of the key civic 'anchor' institutions in the District.

The build-up for the event started on Wednesday 4th May with the strip out of the sports hall and set-up of the tables, chairs, PA system, electrical points and large screen TV by Estates, with valuable support provided by the IT team.



Other areas utilised include room J1:18 for the postal vote count, the sports hall viewing balcony for visiting media, the Refectory, the Restaurant, various car parks and external areas.

The event went live on Thursday evening with the ballot box drop-off and postal vote count commencing at 22:00 through to 01:30 on Friday morning.

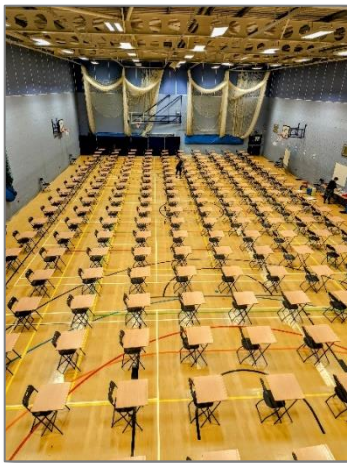
The count itself started at 08:00 on Friday morning and concluded at around 16:30.

The event ran like clockwork and was a huge success.

The College has received widespread praise for the quality of the facilities, meticulous preparation, attention to detail and excellent customer service provided.

As the bulk of the activity took place within normal College hours, careful planning ensured that interaction between the event attendees and students was minimised.

The event required a huge College-wide team effort with contributions from Estates, IT, Marketing, the Sports department and the Refectory team. External security was brought in from Careline, a local company.



The Estates team were back on Saturday morning to de-rig the event equipment and reset the College, to ensure normal operations could resume on Monday morning.

This included setting up the sports hall for exams.

In addition to the local recognition, publicity and prestige, the event is also financially rewarding. The College received £13,657 in hire fees.

Taking into account the full cost of delivery, the event made a profit of around £10k.

The Returning Officer, Janet Waggott, who is also the Chief Executive of Selby District Council, was delighted with the way the event was delivered and could not have been more grateful for the support she received from the College. The following testimony was received from Janice Senior, who was our main contact at Selby District Council:

Good afternoon Ian,

Just wanted to say a massive thank you to yourself and your team at Selby College.

The preparation and event management were excellent yet again with your attention to detail ensuring it was a successful and safe count.

We have received nothing but praise for the venue and appreciate how “easy” you made this with all the work you did for us and nothing being too much trouble.

**Thanks
Jan**

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