

## The election and this blog

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As many will know, there are extremely restrictive laws in the UK on what can be said by NGOs and others in the run up to an election. There are significant penalties for getting things wrong.

As a result I have discussed this blog's position with the Electoral Commission. They offered two opinions.

First, they confirmed the blog has insufficient income to be regulated.

Second, having discussed its content they are happy that I am not supporting any candidate, and that the criticisms made are philosophically based. As such they do not think the blog would fall within the scope of regulation whatever its income.

I am not, therefore, constrained by the laws that will impact many NGOs now.