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Electoral Registration Feature Comparison of Elector8 Editions Vs Xpress

	Elector8 Basic	Xpress	Elector8 Professional	
Unlimited license for Scanning, Web Client, Desktop Clients, Postal Vote Verification, GIS	✓	✗	Deficiency costs you £3500 per year and constraining your department. Need more users or scanners - pay more money.	✓
Automated Data Matching	✓	✓	⚠ An afterthought and a bolt -on. Why pay more as Elector8 does more for Free. £1500	✓
File encryption to 256 bit	✓	✓	⚠ Another additional bolt-on to pay our competitors. Why pay more as Elector8 does more for Free. £500	✓
Gazetteer Automation	✓	✓	⚠ An additional bolt-on to pay for. £1000	✓
Shape File Integration	✓	✗	Import Shape files from your Gazetteer for instant boundary changes / key statistics	✓
Printing Labels	✓	✓	⚠ A additional bolt-on to pay for with competitor systems. Why pay more as Elector8 does more for Free. £500	✓
Working IER Reports	✓	✗	Service Failure - causing you uncertainty in your register and additional staff costs - £5,000 per year. There not there as the Cabinet Office didn't specify them - doesn't sound like industry experts ???	✓
Load Spreadsheet Data to Add, Remove or Modify Records	✓	✗	A must for registers with large student populations, Council housing stock or carehomes. Get the data in any layout and Elector8 can process it for you saving you valuable time over the year. £2500 in staff time saved.	✓
Real-Time Statistics and Drill Down Facilities	✓	✗	Lack of drill down and flexibility makes it hard to produce inspection lists eg postal vote checking at the printers - causing you more work when you are the most busy to produce information in your way - £1000	✓
Report Scheduler	✗	✗	Reports need to be ran and collated manually costing you staff time and management at the time you are busy! £1000 Cost	✓
2 Way Email	✓	✗	Deficiency costs you £1000 per year in additional work and poor response rates	✓
2 Way SMS	✗	✗	Deficiency costs you £5000 per year work and poor response rates	✓
2 Way Voice Broadcast	✗	✗	Deficiency costs you £15000 per year work and poor response rates	✓
Citizens Preference	✗	✗	Citizens respond quicker when you offer them the choice of channel to receive and send communications (where legislation allows)	✓
Citizen Portal (Optional Extra)	✓	✗	Allow citizen Self Service with integrated citizen portal. This can contribute to an existing wider authority Citizen Account	✓
Gov.Notify Integration	✓	✗	Integration with the Cabinet Office backed Gov.Notify initiative to reduce your communication spend	✓
Project Management	✗	✗	Deficiency costs you £2500 per year in additional licenses	✓
Real Time Information (RTI)	✓	✗	Service Failure - causing you to outsource your payroll and costing £8000 per election	✓
Produces Letters	✓	✓	⚠ Competitors sell that they are compatible with certain versions of Word, this will kill your desktop strategy as change Word and your system breaks! Only Elector8 has its own built-in Word Processes that works with any program.	✓
Produces Real time, test and Historic Registers	✓	✓	Helped by an intuitive wizard, Elector8 can publish your register in seconds and distribute the copies to interested parties. Saves you half a day a month over the year £1000.	✓
Fuzzy Searching	✓	✓	Elector lets you search not just your electors but also your history, candidates, agents, subscribers, streets, removed electors and staff members in a fast and easy to use way	✓
Intelligent Communication	✓	✗	Competitors claim to let you preview letters but only Elector8 lets you do this, whilst previewing letters, outbound voice calls, emails and SMS and sending them in a "best fit" based on your business rules to save you time and money.	✓
Programmable WorkFlow Automated No Response Follow Up	✓	✗	Manage IER your way by automating key processes to ensure important communications are not missed by auto replying or sending reminders	✓
To Do	✗	✗	Set up tasks for yourself, colleagues or teams for any purpose to manage your work in your way	✓
Exporting Reports	✓	✓	Competitor Systems can export to PDF, CSV, HTML, MDB but Elector8 can also produce work files, excel, png, JPG or simply send it by encrypted email.	✓
Data Mining	✗	✗	Deficiency costs you £2500 per year and constraining your department	✓
Canvassing Tablet Solution	✗	✓	⚠ Partic8 is still the original and best tablet solution in the market. It offers more functionality at a lower cost than Xpress. It includes Polling Station Management as well as Count Functionality	✓
Canvasser Planning and Mapping	✓	✗	Competitors leave to you to manually plan who can go where. Elector8 has an automated tool to calculate daily who should be visited, in the best route. It will even map it or you. £3000 saving in planning and staff time.	✓
Wizards	✓	✗	Lack of clarity and succession planning is holding back your department and costing you time you can't afford - £1000	✓
IER	✓	✗	We perform every part of IER with Easy, efficiency and in many places automation.	✓

Full Audit trail			Competitors claim to have a full audit trail but if they can't send communications in other ways and they don't store information correctly, it's not what we would call full.	
Market Leading Data Security			Elector8 is the most data secure system in the market. All data is encrypted at rest as well as in transit and the council holds the encryption key. Even we can't look at your data.	
Anonymised Data Feature			Anonymise your data quickly and easily with Elector8's in built anonymiser	
Data Integrity Checks			Lack of Data integrity causes data errors and costs you reputational damage and require resupply of files to printers. £1500	
Integrated and Open Online HEF			Competitors have built a system to be compatible with only themselves, removing any competition. Democracy Counts thinks this is wrong and have built an integrated system that is open to competition. Democracy Counts is on average 30% cheaper for the same service -£7500	
Web Version for your Contact Centre			Another additional bolt-on to pay our competitors. Why pay more as Elector8 does more for Free. £1500	
Video Help, Process Maps and Unlimited Training			Inadequate training, old fashioned online help and lack of process planning - causes you staff uncertainty and doubt, and extends processing time - £10,000	

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Election Management Feature Comparison of Elector8 Editions Vs Xpress

	Elector8 Basic	Xpress		Elector8 Professional
Unlimited Licenses No Need for extra Scanning Licences	✓	✗	⚠ Beware of add-on and addition licenses costs	✓
Set up Single Elections	✓	✓	⚠ The process is cumbersome as they have "2 systems - the lack of integration will mean slowness, double keying and errors. Once set it can't be deleted and started again easily.	✓
Calculates Timetables	✓	✓	⚠ Often have to set up election in order to run the timetable	✓
Understands Combined Elections	✓	✓	⚠ Unrefined and difficult to use to define primary and secondary elections.	✓
Polling Plan	✓	✓	⚠ Basic, difficult to use, and splits are poor and unrefined.	✓
Notices	✓	✓	⚠ Competitors sell that they are compatible with certain versions of Word, this will kill your desktop strategy as change Word and your system breaks! Only Elector8 has its own built-in Word Processes that works with any program.	✓
Staff Management Database	✓	✓	⚠ Letter based communication, lack photo's training and information is split across many screens making it difficult to read. Details aren't auto-updated if staff member moves	✓
Allocate Staff to Vacancies	✓	✓	Standard feature - Made easy with Elector8 with intuitive Wizard	✓
Manage Staff Training	✓	✓	⚠ Letters often get confused on combination and don't allow for single letters of appointment and training.	✓
Members Database	✓	✗	⚠ Lack of data causes requirement to re-enter details. £100	✓
Nominations	✓	✓	⚠ Standard Feature but other systems don't automatically check against the electoral role or an external database (for cross boundaries)	✓
Party Logos	✓	✓	⚠ Party logo's need to be found and loaded manually. Not link to Party Descriptors £500	✓
Reports	✓	✓	Standard Feature	✓
Real-Time Statistics and Drill Down Facilities	✓	✗	Lack of drill down and flexibility makes it hard to produce inspection lists eg postal vote checking at the printers - causing you more work when you are the most busy to produce information in your way - £1000	✓
Election Accounts	✓	✓	⚠ Confused Account on combination	✓
Report Scheduler (Ballot Box Issue)	✗	✗	Reports need to be ran and collated manually costing you staff time and management at the time you are busy! £1000 Cost	✓
Venue Badges	✓	✓	⚠ Limited layout - no use of photos.	✓
2 Way Email	✓	✗	Deficiency costs you £1000 per year in additional work and poor response rates	✓
2 Way SMS	✗	✗	Deficiency costs you £4000 per year work and poor response rates	✓
2 Way Voice Broadcast	✗	✗	Deficiency costs you £1000 per year work and poor response rates	✓
Gov.Notify Integration	✗	✗	Integration with the Cabinet Office backed Gov.Notify initiative to reduce your communication spend	✓
Project Management	✗	✗	Deficiency costs you £2500 per year in additional licenses	✓
Real Time Information (RTI)	✓	✗	⚠ Service Failure - causing you to outsource your payroll and costing £8000 per election	✓
Election Staff Self Service Feature	✓	✓	⚠ Elector8's Self Staff Portal was introduced in 2012, is well tested and works. Our portal has more features and is the most secure for sensitive data in the industry	✓
Staff Payment Files	✓	✓	⚠ Limited choice of extracts. When election staff fees are often separate. Elections Accounts should be separate and payment should be flexible to be separate or combined.	✓
Candidate Self Service Portal	✓	✗	Allow Candidates to fillout their nomination papers online for you to pre validate before they print out and provide to you with a wet signature. Also has a handy Appointment Booking feature	✓
Citizen Self Service Portal	✓	✗	Allow your electors 24/7 access to your Election Team. Check on application status, update details etc.	✓
Poll Card, Absent Voter and Ballot Paper Extracts	✓	✓	Standard Feature - made easier by E8 with simple intuitive wizards.	✓
Management of Equipment	✓	✓	⚠ Limited features and doesn't differentiate between ballot box collection (Secure) and equipment delivery and collection	✓

Data Mining			Deficiency costs you £2500 per year and constraining your department	
Venue Attendance			Deficiency costs you £1000 per year as additional staffing and administration is required. E8 supports Health & Safety, Time & Attendance and staff queries	
Count Plan Designer			Deficiency costs you £1000 per year as additional staffing and administration is required.	
Polling Statement Tablet Solution			Lack of functionality is costing you £5,000 in additional communications and preventing you understanding your data	
Polling Station Reviews & Inspection Support			Partial with some paper based reports, Only Democracy Counts uses tablet technology to collect the information in real-time.	
Polling Station Status			Lack of Mapping is causing you un-necessary stress on polling day an causing you unnecessary communications - £1000	
Ballot Box issue			Slow clumsy reporting with no intelligent collation is costing you time when you least can afford it. £1500	
Print Composition for Real Time Proofing			Create or import Electoral Stationery Templates for Real Time, Print Ready PDF proofing. Massively reduce the amount of time spent proofing in the most time critical periods.	
Wizards			Lack of clarity and succession planning is holding back your department and costing you time you can't afford - £1000	
Postal Vote Verification			Beware of additional cost for add-on modules to automate the process. Only Democracy Counts provides fully automated scanning of mix and match of ballot papers or Postal Voting Statement.	
Data Integrity Checks			Lack of Data integrity causes data errors and costs you reputational damage and require resupply of files to printers. £1500	
Video Help, Process Maps and Unlimited Training			Inadequate training, old fashioned and incomplete help and lack of process planning - causes you staff uncertainty and doubt, and extends processing time - £10,000	

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