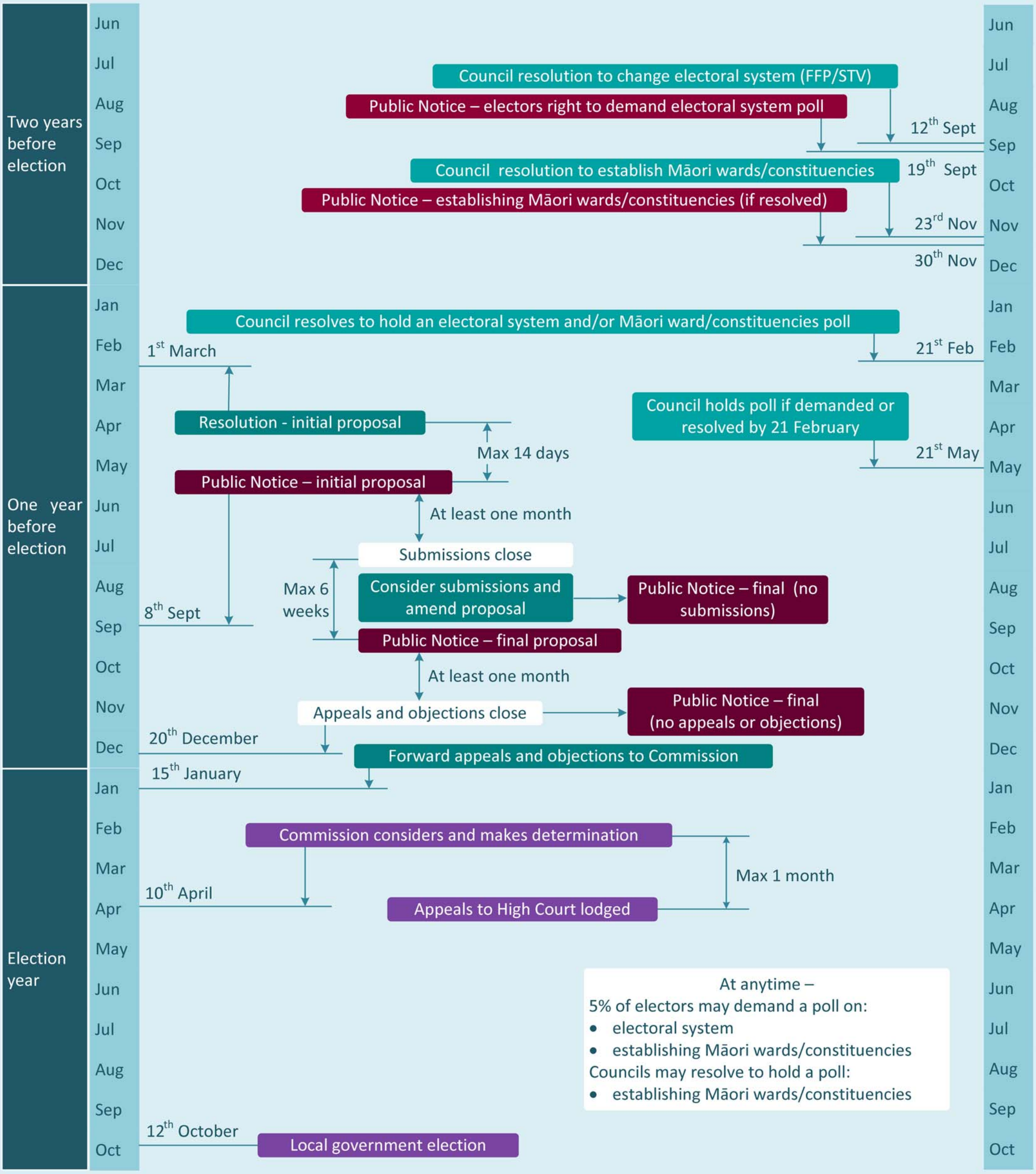
Two years before election
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Election year
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Council resolution to change electoral system (FFP/STV)
Public Notice – electors right to demand electoral system poll
12th Sept
Council resolution to establish Māori wards/constituencies
19th Sept
Public Notice – establishing Māori wards/constituencies (if resolved)
23rd Nov
30th Nov
Council resolves to hold an electoral system and/or Māori ward/constituencies poll
21st Feb
1st March
Resolution - initial proposal
Max 14 days
Council holds poll if demanded or resolved by 21 February
21st May
Public Notice – initial proposal
At least one month
Submissions close
Max 6 weeks
Consider submissions and amend proposal
Public Notice – final (no submissions)
8th Sept
Public Notice – final proposal
At least one month
Appeals and objections close
Public Notice – final (no appeals or objections)
20th December
Forward appeals and objections to Commission
15th January
Commission considers and makes determination
Max 1 month
10th April
Appeals to High Court lodged
At anytime –
5% of electors may demand a poll on:
• electoral system
• establishing Māori wards/constituencies
Councils may resolve to hold a poll:
• establishing Māori wards/constituencies
12th October
Local government election