

Scottish Parliament Election 6 May 2021 Notice of Election For Edinburgh Central, Edinburgh Eastern, Edinburgh Northern and Leith, Edinburgh Pentlands, Edinburgh Southern & Edinburgh Western Constituencies

1. An election is to be held for a Constituency Member to serve in the Scottish Parliament for each of the above constituencies.
2. Nomination papers can be obtained from the office of the Constituency Returning Officer, Election Office, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1YJ (elections@edinburgh.gov.uk) during the times stated below.
3. Nomination papers must be delivered to the Constituency Returning Officer at The Election Office, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1YJ between the hours of 10am and 4pm on any working day after the date of this notice but no later than **4pm on Wednesday 31 March 2021**. Due to Coronavirus restrictions please contact elections@edinburgh.gov.uk to arrange an appointment.
4. If the election is contested the poll will take place on Thursday 6 May 2021, hours of poll 7am-10pm.
5. Applications to register to vote must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer, 17a South Gyle Crescent, Edinburgh EH12 9FL (<http://www.lothian-vjb.gov.uk>) 0131 344 2500 by 12 midnight on **Monday 19 April 2021**. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>.
6. The £500 deposit can be paid by legal tender or by means of a banker's draft from a drawer which carries on business as a banker in the United Kingdom. **In the current circumstance it is requested that payment is made by direct bank transfer of funds. Bank account details will be provided on request.**
7. Applications for receiving new postal vote and postal proxy applications, and for changes to existing postal or proxy votes must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm on Tuesday 6 April 2021.
8. Cancellation of postal votes must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer by 5pm on Tuesday 20 April 2021.
9. Applications to vote by proxy at this election must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm on Tuesday 27 April 2021.

Electoral Registration Officer	17a South Gyle Crescent, Edinburgh EH12 9FL	http://www.lothian-vjb.gov.uk 0131 344 2500
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10. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election, i.e., made after the 27 April deadline on the grounds of; disability suffered after that deadline (or, for applicants who suffered a disability before the deadline, their disability meant that they could not reasonably have made an application in time), work/service reasons, **following Scottish Government advice or the advice of a medical professional in relation to coronavirus**, being detained in a hospital under the civil sections of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 or for Scottish prisoners serving a sentence of 12 months or less, must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm on Thursday 6 May 2021. To apply on the grounds of work/service, the person must have become aware that they cannot go to the polling station in person after 5pm on Tuesday 27 April 2021.

Dated: 15 March 2021

ANDREW KERR

Constituency Returning Officer for the
Edinburgh Constituencies