**NOTICE OF ELECTION**

**SCOTTISH PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION**

**CENTRAL SCOTLAND REGION**

# An election is to be held for seven Regional Members to serve in the Scottish Parliament for the Central Scotland Region.

# Nomination papers can be obtained from the office of the Regional Returning Officer, Election Office, Civic Centre, Windmillhill Street, Motherwell ML1 1AB and on the Council’s website at [www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk](http://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk).

# **NOMINATION PAPERS** must be delivered to office of the Regional Returning Officer at the Election Office, Civic Centre, Windmillhill Street, Motherwell ML1 1AB on any working day after the date of this notice between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm but no later than **4:00 pm** **Wednesday, 31 March 2021.**

# A person shall not be validly nominated as a candidate unless the sum of £500 is deposited by that person or on that person’s behalf with the Regional Returning Officer at the place and during the time for delivery of nomination papers referred to in paragraph (3) above. The deposit may be made only (a) by the deposit of legal tender (b) by means of a banker’s draft acceptable to the Regional Returning Officer (c) by means of a debit or credit card payment or (d) by electronic transfer.

# If the election is contested the poll will take place between the hours of 7.00 am and 10.00 pm on **Thursday, 6 May 2021.**

# Applications to register to vote must reach the office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted, by **12 midnight on Monday, 19 April 2021.** Applications can be made online: [**https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote**](https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote)**.**

**Postal or Proxy Voting**

# Applications for new postal votes, or amendments of existing postal votes or postal proxy votes must reach the office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted, by **5:00 pm on Tuesday, 6 April 2021.**

# Cancellation of postal votes much reach the office of the Electoral Registration Officer by **5:00 pm on Tuesday, 20 April 2021.**

# Applications to vote by proxy at this election must reach the office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted, by **5:00 pm on Tuesday, 27 April 2021.**

# Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election on the grounds of physical incapacity or for work/service reasons, or following Scottish Government advice or the advice of a medical professional in relation to Coronavirus must reach the office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted, by **5:00 pm on Thursday, 6 May 2021**. To apply on the grounds of work/service reasons, following Scottish Government advice or the advice of a medical professional in relation to Coronavirus the person must only have become aware that they cannot attend at the polling station in person after **5:00 pm on Tuesday, 27 April 2021**.

**DETAILS OF THE APPROPRIATE ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICE ARE AS FOLLOWS:-**

**Electors registered in the area of North and South Lanarkshire Council**

Electoral Registration Office

David Dale House

45 John Street

Blantyre

G72 0AA

Helpline: 0800 030 4333
Email: ero@lanarkshire-vjb.gov.uk
Website: [www.lanarkshire-vjb.gov.uk](http://www.lanarkshire-vjb.gov.uk)

**Electors registered in the area of Falkirk Council**

Electoral Registration Office for Central Scotland

Hillside House

Laurehill Business Park

Stirling

FK7 9JQ

Telephone: 01786 892289

Email: registration@centralscotland-vjb.gov.uk

Website: assessor@centralscotland-vjb.gov.uk

For further information in respect of the election please contact the Election Office on 01698 302190/302340 or email ElectionOffice@northlan.gov.uk.

**Des Murray**

**Regional Returning Officer**

**15 March 2021**