**NOTICE OF BY-ELECTION**

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL**

**ELECTORAL WARD NO. 15 (BELLSHILL)**

**ELECTION OF COUNCILLOR - THURSDAY, 15 JUNE 2023**

# One Councillor is to be elected to Electoral Ward No. 15 (Bellshill) of North Lanarkshire Council.

# Nomination papers can be obtained from the office of the 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) This office is open for the issue and delivery of nomination papers on weekdays from **Tuesday, 25 April 2023** between the hours of 8:45 am and 4.00 pm (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and the holiday on 8May 2023). Completed nomination forms **must** be delivered to the Returning Officer at the Election Office at the above address no later than **4.00 pm on** **Friday, 12 May 2023.**

# If the election is contested, voting will take place between the hours of 7.00 am and 10.00 pm on **Thursday, 15 June 2023.**

# Applications to register to vote must reach the office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted, by **12 midnight on Tuesday, 30 May 2023.** Applications can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>

**Postal or Proxy Voting**

# If unable to or if your preference is not to attend the polling station, any elector may apply for a postal or proxy vote.

# Applications for new postal votes, or amendments or cancellations of existing postal or postal proxy votes **must** reach the office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted, by **5.00 pm on Wednesday, 31 May 2023.**

# Applications to vote by proxy (not postal proxy), except for emergencies, **must** reach the office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted, by **5.00 pm on Wednesday, 7 June 2023.**

# Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election, on the grounds of a medical emergency or for work/service reasons or 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 office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted, by **5.00 pm on Thursday, 15 June 2023.** To apply for an emergency proxy the person must have become aware of the reason only **after 5.00 pm on Wednesday, 7 June 2023.**

# For advice on postal or proxy voting, please contact the office of the Electoral Registration Officer, as undernoted.

**CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE ELECTORAL REGISTRATION OFFICER ARE AS FOLLOWS:-**

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| Electoral Registration Officer  David Dale House  Blantyre  G72  0AA | Helpline: 0800 030 4333 Email: [ero@lanarkshire-vjb.gov.uk](mailto:ero@lanarkshire-vjb.gov.uk) Website: [www.lanarkshire-vjb.gov.uk](http://www.lanarkshire-vjb.gov.uk) |

For further information about the election please contact the Election Office on 01698 302058/302026 or [ElectionOffice@northlan.gov.uk](mailto:ElectionOffice@northlan.gov.uk)

**Des Murray**

**Returning Officer**

**Monday, 24 April 2023**