

# Notice of Election for the Scottish Parliamentary Constituency of Midlothian North & Musselburgh



An election is to be held for the return of a Constituency Member to serve in the Scottish Parliament for the Constituency of Midlothian North and Musselburgh.

Nomination papers may be obtained at the place and times below and from the Midlothian Council website at: [www.midlothian.gov.uk/election](http://www.midlothian.gov.uk/election)

**NOMINATION PAPERS** must be **hand** delivered to the Constituency Returning Officer at the **Election Office**, Midlothian Council, Midlothian House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith, Midlothian, EH22 1DN between 10am and 4pm on any working day after the date of this notice but **not later than 4.00 pm on Wednesday 31 March 2021**. *(Please note due to the current 'Covid-19' restrictions potential candidates/election agents are strongly advised to phone the Election Office - 0131 271 3365 to make an appointment.)*

(The £500 deposit can be paid by debit or credit card or by means of a banker's draft from a drawer which carries on business as a banker in the United Kingdom or by legal tender. Electronic transfer of the election deposit by BACS or CHAPS is only allowed with the consent of the Constituency Returning Officer and her pre-authorisation is required before the transaction is made.)

If the election is contested, the poll will take place between the hours of 7am and 10pm on **Thursday 6 May 2021**.

## Electoral Registration, Postal or Proxy Voting

Applications for **postal voting, postal proxy voting** and for changes or cancellations of existing postal votes or postal proxy votes **must** reach the Electoral Registration Officer, 17A South Gyle Crescent, Edinburgh, EH12 9FL **or** Midlothian House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith, Midlothian EH22 1DN by **5.00pm on Tuesday 6 April 2021**.

Applications to **register to vote** must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by **12 midnight on Monday 19 April 2021**. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>.

Applications to vote by **proxy** at this election **must** reach the Electoral Registration Officer, 17A South Gyle Crescent, Edinburgh, EH12 9FL by **5.00pm on Tuesday 27 April 2021**.

Applications to vote by **emergency proxy** at this election, i.e made after the 27 April 2021 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 Electoral Registration Officer, Lothian Valuation Joint Board, 17A South Gyle Crescent, Edinburgh, EH12 9FL 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.

For advice on postal or proxy voting phone 0131 344 2500.

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