## NOTICE OF ELECTION

## Scottish Borders Council Election of Councillors

Councillors are to be elected for each of the eleven wards of Scottish Borders Council. The number of councillors to be elected for each ward is as follows:

Ward	Number of Councillors to be elected
1. Tweeddale West	Three
2. Tweeddale East	Three
3. Galashiels and District	Four
4. Selkirkshire	Three
5. Leaderdale and Melrose	Three
6. Mid Berwickshire	Three
7. East Berwickshire	Three
8. Kelso and District	Three
9. Jedburgh and District	Three
10. Hawick and Denholm	Three
11. Hawick and Hermitage	Three

- 1. Nomination forms can be obtained, by telephoning 01835 825004, by emailing <a href="mailto:elections@scotborders.gov.uk">elections@scotborders.gov.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:by appointment">by appointment only</a> from the Election Office at Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells, Melrose, TD6 0SA. An appointment with the Election Office (Tel: 01835 825004) will need to be made for the delivery of nomination papers on weekdays from Tuesday 15 March 2022 between 10am to 4pm.
- 2. Completed nomination forms **must** be delivered to the Returning Officer at the above address by **4pm** on Wednesday 30 March 2022.
- 3. An election will be held in each contested ward and voting will take place between 7am and 10pm on Thursday 5 May 2022.
- 4. Applications to register to vote **must** reach the Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 12 midnight on Monday 18 April 2022. Applications can be made online: https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

## Postal or proxy voting

- 1. Any elector may apply for a postal or proxy vote at this election.
- 2. Applications, amendments or cancellations of postal votes **must** reach the Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm on Tuesday 19 April 2022.
- 3. Applications to vote by proxy at this election **must** reach the Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm on Tuesday 26 April 2022.
- 4. Applications to amend or cancel existing proxy arrangements **must** reach the Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm Tuesday 19 April 2022.
- 5. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election, i.e. made after the **26 April 2022** deadline must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer at the address below **by 5pm on Thursday 5 May 2022**. An emergency proxy can be made 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 (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 26 April 2022);
  - 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
  - Scottish prisoners serving a sentence of 12 months or less.

Contact details of Electoral Registration Officer			
Brian Rout	Scottish Borders	Council Headquarters,	Tel: 01835 825100
	Council area	Newtown St Boswells, Melrose,	Email: <u>ERO@scotborders.gov.uk</u>

Signed:

Dated: 14/3/2022